Pursuant to Article 17 of the Law on Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina ("Official Gazette of BiH", no. 30/03, 42/03, 81/06, 76/07, 81/07, 94/07 and 24/08) and Article 75, paragraph (2) of the Uniform Rules for Legislative Drafting in the Institutions of Bosnia and Herzegovina ("Official Gazette of BiH", no. 11/05), the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina, at its 108<sup>th</sup> session, held on 17 September 2014, adopted the following

#### **RULES**

# ON AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES FOR CONSULTATIONS IN LEGISLATIVE DRAFTING<sup>1</sup>

#### Article 1

In Article 2 of the Rules for Consultations in Legislative Drafting ("Official Gazette of BiH", no. 81/06), after item a), the punctuation mark comma shall be replaced by the punctuation mark semi-colon, and item b) shall be amended and shall read as follows:

"b) "Organizations" means legal persons that are not affiliated with the government and informal civil initiatives."

#### **Article 2**

In Article 3, paragraph (1), after the word "maintain", a comma and the following words shall be inserted "update and post on the website", and sentence "The list shall be available to anyone requesting a copy in writing." shall be deleted.

# **Article 3**

In Article 5, paragraph (1), paragraph mark (1) shall be deleted, and word "plan" shall be replaced by the word "program".

Paragraph (2) shall be deleted.

#### Article 4

In Article 6, paragraph (2), item a), the word "its" and the words "if it has one" shall be deleted.

In paragraph (3), the words "21 days" shall be replaced by the words "15 days".

After paragraph (3), new paragraph (4) shall be inserted and shall read as follows:

- "(4) Minimum obligations in terms of consultations shall not apply to:
- a) Amendments to correct spelling or other grammatical errors; and
- b) Legislation codifying or otherwise consolidating or reorganizing or moving provisions to different sections of the legislation without substantive changes."

## Article 5

Article 7 shall be amended and shall read as follows:

- "(1) Along with the public invitation to submit comments in accordance with these Rules, the institution shall post on its website the Statement of purpose of the legal regulation.
- (2) The Statement referred to in paragraph (1) of this Article shall particularly contain the list of issues that are, according to the opinion of legislative drafter, of particular importance to the legislation that is being prepared and consultation process, as well as to the target groups that are particularly affected by the legislation."

#### Article 6

In Article 9, item a) shall be deleted.

Previous items b), c), d), e) and f) shall become items a), b), c), d) and e).

## Article 7

In Article 11, item a), the words "European directives" shall be replaced by the word "acquis".

# Article 8

In Article 14, after the word "Rules", full stop shall be inserted and the rest of the text shall be deleted.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Publiced in "Official Gazette of BiH", no. 80/14.