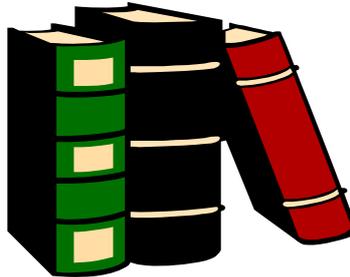




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**Article 1**

In the Law on Ministries and Other Bodies of Administration of Bosnia and Herzegovina (“Official Gazette of Bosnia and Herzegovina”, Nos. 5/03, 42/03, 26/04 and 42/04), in Article 14, paragraph 2 shall be amended to read:

“Within this Ministry, there shall be: the State Border Service of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Information and Protection Agency and the Service for Foreigners’ Affairs as administrative organisations whose rights, duties and operational autonomy shall be regulated by separate laws, and the Office for Co-operation with Interpol, as an autonomous service whose rights and duties shall be regulated by separate regulations.”

**Article 2**

Article 15a shall be amended to read:

“The Ministry of Defence shall be responsible for:

- Creating and sustaining defence capability in order to ensure the protection of the sovereignty, territorial integrity, political independence, and international personality of Bosnia and Herzegovina;
- Proposing the budget for the defence of Bosnia and Herzegovina and issuing approvals for budgetary expenditures of Bosnia and Herzegovina for defence;
- Organization, equipping and supplying of the Armed Forces;
- Regulating organization and management of the regiments, their commands and staffs;
- Implementation of the defined policies and guidelines, and ensuring the enforcement of the laws, other regulations and general enactments from the field of defence;
- Performing duties related to construction and maintenance of military and other structures, as well as of the structures of special importance for the defence of Bosnia and Herzegovina;
- Managing and usage of the assets intended for the needs of the Armed Forces;
- Acquiring, storing and renewing the reserve products of special purpose for the needs of the Armed Forces;
- Developing criteria on conditions and method of storing, keeping and maintaining the armament and military equipment and the care of protection of the material assets and structures in the Armed Forces;
- Evaluation, quality control and verification of the armament and military equipment for needs of the Armed Forces;
- Planning, conducting geodetic, photogrammetry and cartography-reproduction tasks of interest for defence, supervision over the implementation of these tasks, and care of keeping, storing and distribution of the geodetic,

- photogrammetry and cartography materials and documents of importance for defence;
- Organizing communications, counter-electronic security and crypto-protection of the Armed Forces;
  - Organizing and carrying out the inspection supervision over the Armed Forces;
  - Organizing and implementing measures of security and protection of the defence system, as well as of the secret information of defence;
  - Developing policies and basic rules for the Armed Forces;
  - Developing regulations on schooling, training and education in the Armed Forces;
  - Developing regulations on military discipline and other regulations prescribed by this Law;
  - Representing Bosnia and Herzegovina in international relationships related to defence matters;
  - Supervision of all aspects of the Armed Forces of Bosnia and Herzegovina;
  - Sending proposals to the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina with initiatives on participation in the peace support operations, as well as the other competences prescribed by the Law on Participation of the Members of the Armed Forces of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Police Officers, Civil Servants and Other Employees in the Peace Support Operations and Other Activities Abroad (“Official Gazette of Bosnia and Herzegovina”, No. 14/05);
  - Developing, reviewing and updating the Defence Policy of Bosnia and Herzegovina approved by the Presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina;
  - Developing and approving policies and regulations governing the organization, administration, personnel, training, equipping, and employment of the Armed Forces of Bosnia and Herzegovina;
  - Ensuring that Bosnia and Herzegovina fulfil its international obligations related to defence matters;
  - Developing procedures to approve military assistance to civil authorities in cases of natural disasters and accidents, under powers delegated by the Presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina;
  - Developing procedures to ensure transparency of the Bosnia and Herzegovina Ministry of Defence functions;
  - Establishing policy of providing housing for the members of the Ministry of Defence and Armed Forces;
  - Planning and organizing scientific-research work of importance for defence;
  - Providing expert opinions on curricula that relate exclusively to the military aspects of the civil defence, upon request of competent institutions; and
  - Other competences defined in law.”

### **Article 3**

This Law shall come into effect on the eighth day after it is published in the “Official Gazette of Bosnia and Herzegovina”.