

### **Department for Legal Affairs**



# LAW ON AMENDMENTS TO THE LAW ON COMMUNICATIONS

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Pursuant to Article IV 4 a) of the Constitution of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Parliamentary Assembly of Bosnia and Herzegovina, on the 71<sup>st</sup> session of the House of Representatives held on February 3 and 10, 2010 and on the 44<sup>th</sup> session of the House of Peoples held on April 9, 2010, passed

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#### **Article 1**

In the Law on Communications ("Official Gazette of BiH", nos. 31/03 and 75/06), in Article 3, paragraph 4, after subparagraph e), new subparagraph f) shall be added to read:

"f) Respect and promotion of the gender equality and elimination of all forms of representation of males or females in a stereotype and offensive or humiliating manner."

#### Article 2

In Article 36, after paragraph 3, new paragraph 4 shall be added to read:

"4. In nomination and appointment of the members of the Council of the Agency, equal representation of both genders shall be promoted, and the percentage of participation of genders in the bodies of the Agency, as a rule, shall indicate equal gender representation."

#### **Article 3**

In Article 39, paragraph 2, after the words: "and appointed by the Parliament of Bosnia and Herzegovina." new text shall be added to read: "The Council of the Agency shall, in forming the list of candidates, undertake all the measures necessary to ensure equal representation of genders on the list of candidates. The Council of Ministers shall form the proposal of the members of the Council of the Agency particularly taking into account the Article 36, paragraph 4 of this Law."

#### Article 4

In Article 40, paragraph 1, after the word "nomination", the full-stop punctuation mark shall be replaced with a comma and the following words shall be added: "particularly taking into account the Article 36, paragraph 4 of this Law."

#### Article 5

In Article 43, paragraph 2, after the word "skills", the full-stop punctuation mark shall be replaced with a comma and the following words shall be added: "and shall undertake all the measures necessary to ensure equal position of genders in the process of employment".

After paragraph 3, new paragraph 4 shall be added to read:

"4. Should in the procedure of employment two or more candidates meet required conditions equally, the Agency shall give precedence to a candidate from a less represented gender. On tasks with the same degree of complexity, genders should be represented equally."

Current paragraph 4 shall become paragraph 5.

#### Article 6

After Article 49, new Article 49a shall be added to read:

### "Article 49a Use of Language

- 1. Terms written only in male grammatical gender shall equally apply to both male and female genders.
- 2. In designation of the functions, occupations and titles, gender sensitive language shall be used."

#### Article 7

This Law shall enter into force on the eighth day from the day of its publishing in the "Official Gazette of Bosnia and Herzegovina", and shall also be published in the official gazettes of the entities.

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