

SENATE OF THE PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC 13TH TERM

347th

RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE

Delivered on the 18th session held on 15th December 2021

on the legislative package on the anti-money laundering and countering the financing of terrorism

on the Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament, and of the Council on the prevention of the use of the financial system for the purposes of money laundering or terrorist financing

Senate Print no. N 77/13, COM(2021) 420

AND

on the Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament, and of the Council establishing the Authority for Anti-Money Laundering and Countering the Financing of Terrorism and amending Regulations (EU) No 1093/2010, (EU) 1094/2010, (EU) 1095/2010

Senate Print no. N 78/13, COM(2021) 421

AND

on the Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament, and of the Council on the mechanisms to be put in place by the Member States for the prevention of the use of the financial system for the purposes of money laundering or terrorist financing and repealing Directive (EU) 2015/849

Senate Print no. N 79/13, COM(2021) 423

AND

on the Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on information accompanying transfers of funds and certain crypto-assets (recast)

Senate Print no. N 80/13, COM(2021) 422

AND

on the Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive (EU) 2019/1153 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards access of competent authorities to centralised bank account registries through the single access point

Senate Print no. N 81/13, COM(2021) 429

The Senate

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1. Holds the opinion

that the adoption of the package as a comprehensive set of rules to combat money laundering and financing of terrorism is much needed, especially due to the institutional fragmentation and poor coordination at the EU level;

2. Also holds the opinion

that the submitted proposals of regulations and directives are in many respects problematic or incomplete;

3. Supports

the position of the Government of the Czech Republic, which calls for the completion, specification and clarification of some points of these proposals;

4. Draws attention especially to

- the inadequacy to burden the liable entities with mandatory fee obligation in order to secure funding of the newly established Authority for Anti-Money Laundering and Countering the Financing of Terrorism;
- the possible negative impact not only on the national budgets of individual Member States but also on the administrative burden on both the public sector and private entities;
- the possibility that the proposed changes might lead to an overall reduction in the effectiveness of the system of combating money laundering and financing of terrorism in the Czech Republic as well as at the level of the European Union;

II.

1. Requests the Government

to inform the Senate by 30 June 2022 about the way this Resolution was taken into account and about further proceedings of negotiations;

Courtesy translation

2. Authorises

the President of the Senate to forward this Resolution to the European Commission.

Miloš Vystr il sign manual President of the Senate

> Petr Št pánek sign manual Senate Verifier