

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA

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Pursuant to Article 24 paragraphs 1 and 3 of the Act on the Government of the Republic of Croatia (Official Gazette 150/11 and 119/14) and in relation to the National Cyber Security Strategy (Official Gazette 108/15), the Government of the Republic of Croatia at its session on 8 June 2016 adopted the following

DECISION

ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NATIONAL CYBER SECURITY COUNCIL AND THE OPERATIONAL AND TECHNICAL CYBER SECURITY COORDINATION GROUP

I

This Decision provides for the establishment of the National Cyber Security Council (hereinafter referred to as “the National Council”).

For the purpose of securing the support for the work of the National Council, this Decision also provides for the establishment of the Operational and Technical Cyber Security Coordination Group (hereinafter referred to as “the Operational and Technical Coordination Group”).

II

The tasks of the National Council are:

- Systematic monitoring and coordination of the implementation of the National Cyber Security Strategy (hereinafter referred to as “the Strategy”) and discussing all issues relevant to cyber security;
- Proposing measures to improve the implementation of the Strategy and the Action plan for the implementation of the Strategy (hereinafter referred to as “the Action Plan”);
- Proposing the organisation of national exercises in the area of cyber security;
- Making recommendations, opinions, reports and guidelines related to the implementation of the Strategy and the Action Plan;
- Proposing amendments to the Strategy and the Action Plan or proposing the adoption of a new Strategy and action plans in accordance with the new requirements;

- Addressing issues essential for cyber crisis management and proposing measures for higher efficiency;
- Analysing the reports on the state of cyber security submitted by the Operational and Technical Coordination Group;
- Making periodic assessments of the state of cyber security;
- Defining cyber crisis action plans;
- Making programmes and action plans for the Operational and Technical Coordination Group and directing its work.

The National Council shall adopt the Rules of Procedure defining the organisation and work of the National Council.

Along with the reports on the implementation of the Action Plan according to the timelines specified by the Strategy, the National Council shall submit to the Government of the Republic of Croatia annual reports about its work and the work of the Operational and Technical Coordination Group no later than the end of the first quarter of the current year for the previous year.

III

The tasks of the Operational and Technical Coordination Group are:

- Monitoring the state of security in national cyberspace for the purpose of detecting threats that may result in cyber crisis;
- Making reports on the state of cyber security;
- Proposing cyber crisis action plans,
- Performing other duties according to the defined programmes and activity plans.

The Operational and Technical Coordination Group shall perform its tasks according to the programmes, activity plans and guidelines provided by the National Council.

The Operational and Technical Coordination Group shall submit to the National Council annual reports about its work no later than 31 January of the current year for the previous year.

IV

The members of the National Council are:

- Representative of the Office of the National Security Council, Chair;
- Representative of the Ministry of the Interior, Member;

- Representative of the Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs, Member;
- Representative of the Ministry of Public Administration, Member;
- Representative of the Ministry of Economy, Member;
- Representative of the Ministry of Science, Education and Sports, Member;
- Representative of the Ministry of Defence, Member;
- Representative of the Ministry of Justice, Member;
- Representative of the Security and Intelligence Agency, Member;
- Representative of the Information Systems Security Bureau, Member;
- Representative of the Operational and Technical Centre for Telecommunication Surveillance, Member;
- Representative of the National Protection and Rescue Directorate, Member;
- Representative of the Croatian Academic and Research Network - CARNet, National CERT, Member;
- Representative of the Croatian Regulatory Authority for Network Industries, Member;
- Representative of the Croatian National Bank, Member;
- Representative of the Personal Data Protection Agency, Member.

The central state administration bodies shall be represented in the National Council by members at the level of deputy minister/assistant minister, while the other bodies and legal entities from paragraph 1 of this item shall be represented by the members at the level of deputy head/assistant head.

In order to ensure that the representatives are always present at the National Council sessions, a deputy shall be appointed for every member of the National Council.

Based on the proposals from the bodies, legal entities and institutions from paragraph 1 of this item, the Government of the Republic of Croatia shall issue a decision on the appointment of the members of the National Council and their deputies.

The proposals from paragraph 4 of this item shall be delivered to the Office of the National Security Council within 8 days from the entry into force of this Decision.

If required, other persons may be involved in the work of the National Council, upon the decision of the National Council.

The administrative and technical tasks necessary for the work of the National Council shall be performed by the Office of the National Security Council.

V

The members of the Operational and Technical Coordination Group are:

- Representative of the Ministry of the Interior, Coordinator;
- Representative of the Ministry of Defence, Member;
- Representative of the Security and Intelligence Agency, Member;
- Representative of the Information Systems Security Bureau, Member;

- Representative of the Operational and Technical Centre for Telecommunication Surveillance, Member;
- Representative of the Croatian Academic and Research Network - CARNet, National CERT, Member;
- Representative of the Croatian Regulatory Authority for Network Industries, Member;
- Representative of the Croatian National Bank, Member.

Within 8 days from the day of delivery of the decision of the Government of the Republic of Croatia from item IV paragraph 4 of this Decision, the heads of the bodies and legal entities from paragraph 1 of this item shall appoint a representative to the Operational and Technical Coordination Group and his/her deputy, and inform the Chair of the National Council about the appointment.

If required, other persons may be involved in the work of the Operational and Technical Coordination Group, upon the decision of the National Council.

The administrative and technical tasks necessary for the work of the Operational and Technical Coordination Group shall be performed by the Ministry of the Interior.

VI

The Office of the National Security Council shall inform, without delay, the bodies and legal entities from item IV paragraph 1 of this Decision about the adoption of this Decision.

VII

This Decision shall enter into force on the eighth day following the day of its publication in the Official Gazette.

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