

Courtesy translation

Dear Mr. Speaker,

Allow me to convey, on behalf of the Parliament of the Republic of Albania and on my personal behalf, the deepest gratitude to you and the Danish Folketinget for the continuous support to Albania and its path to the European Union.

The support of the Kingdom of Denmark and yours personally has been a great encouragement for the progress of Albania's European integration process, which the Albanian people will never forget.

The decision of the Council of the European Union, on 25 March 2020, for the opening of the accession negotiations with the Republic of Albania, based on the progress with the reforms and the meeting of the conditions set by the Council, is an inspiration and an obligation to continue committed in meeting the obligations of the integration process.

Parliament of Albania is making a key contribution to our country's European path, guaranteeing the democratic legitimacy and the legal and political control of the process, as well as the compliance of laws with the EU standards, guaranteeing a better quality of the national legislation.

Parliament of Albania is also committed in supporting important reforms in the framework of Albania's European integration, such as the electoral reform, justice reform and the meeting of the European Council recommendations on the preparation of the negotiating framework. We are confident in the support of Denmark for the negotiations to open as soon as possible and to start the discussion of the negotiations' chapters.

Attached to this letter I send you a copy of the Resolution of the Albanian Parliament on "*The opening of negotiations for the accession of Albania to the European Union and the adoption of the plan of measures for addressing the priorities defined by the Council of the European Union*", as well as the "*The plan of measures for addressing the priorities defined by the Council of the European Union*", recently adopted by Parliament of Albania.

Conveying you once again my deepest gratitude, please accept, Mr. Speaker, the assurances of my highest consideration.

With warm regards,

Gramoz RUÇI

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REPUBLIKA E SHQIPËRISË
KUVENDI
KRYETARI

Tiranë, më 29.09.2020.

I nderuar zoti Kryetar,

Në emër të Kuvendit të Republikës së Shqipërisë dhe emrin tim personal më lejoni t'Ju shpreh mirënjohjen e thellë Juve dhe Folketingut Danez për mbështetjen e Shqipërisë në rrugëtimin e saj drejt Bashkimit Europian.

Mbështetja e Danimarkës dhe Juaja personalisht ka qenë një inkurajim i madh për avancimin e procesit të integritimit europian të Shqipërisë, të cilën populli shqiptar nuk do ta harrojë kurrë.

Vendimi i marrë nga Këshilli i Bashkimit Europian në datën 25 mars 2020 për hapjen e negociatave për anëtarësimin e Republikës së Shqipërisë, i bazuar në progresin e arritur në reformat dhe përmbushjen e kushteve të përcaktuara nga Këshilli, është një inspirim e detyrim për të vijuar me përkushtim në përmbushjen e detyrimeve të procesit të integritimit.

Kuvendi i Shqipërisë po jep një kontribut kyç në rrugëtimin europian të vendit tonë, duke garantuar legjitimitetin demokratik dhe kontrollin ligjor e politik të procesit dhe përputhshmërinë e ligjeve me standartet e BE-së, duke garantuar një cilësi më të mirë të legjislacionit kombëtar.

Kuvendi i Shqipërisë është gjithashtu i angazhuar në mbështetjen e reformave të rëndësishme në kuadrin e integritimit europian të Shqipërisë, si reforma zgjedhore, reforma në drejtësi dhe plotësimi i rekomandimeve të Këshillit Europian, për përgatitjen e kuadrit negociues. Ne kemi besim se do të kemi edhe mbështetjen e Danimarkës që negociatat të çelen sa më shpejt dhe të fillojë sa më parë diskutimi i kapitujve të tyre.

Bashkangjitur kësaj letre, po Ju dërgoj një kopje të Rezolutës së Kuvendit të Shqipërisë "*Mbi hapjen e negociatave të anëtarësimit të Shqipërisë në Bashkimin Evropian dhe miratimin e planit të masave për përmbushjen e përparësive të përcaktuara nga Këshilli i Bashkimit Evropian*", si edhe "*Planin e masave për përmbushjen e përparësive të përcaktuara nga Këshilli i Bashkimit Evropian*", miratuar së fundi nga Kuvendi i Shqipërisë.

Duke Ju shprehur edhe një herë mirënjohjen time më të thellë, ju lutem pranoni, z. Kryetar, sigurimet e konsideratës sime më të lartë.

Përzemërsisht,

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REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA

ASSEMBLY

DRAFT – RESOLUTION

ON

**“THE OPENING OF THE NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE ACCESSION OF ALBANIA TO
THE EUROPEAN UNION**

AND

**THE PLAN OF MEASURES FOR ADDRESSING THE PRIORITIES DEFINED BY
THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION”**

Pursuant to the Constitution of the Republic of Albania, Law no. 15/2015 “On the Role of the Assembly in the integration process of the Republic of Albania into the European Union”, and Regulation of the Assembly of the Republic of Albania;

- Having regard to the decision of the Council of the European Union dated 25 March 2020, for the opening of the accession negotiations of the Republic of Albania, in light of the progress achieved on reforms and fulfilment of the conditions set unanimously by the Council of the European Union;
- Emphasising the primary role of the Assembly in overseeing and monitoring the activity of state institutions for European integration in fulfilling the conditions of the integration process and serving as a bridge between the stakeholders involved;
- Appreciating the continued support that the European Union and its Member States have provided to Albania for the implementation of the undertaken reforms to consolidate the rule of law, to strengthen the democratic institution and to uphold the human rights;
- Endorsing the adoption of the new Negotiations Methodology by the Council of the European

Union, which aims to provide to the process more dynamism, reliability, predictability and a stronger political will;

- Having regard to the draft-Negotiating Framework with the Republic of Albania, which defines the principles and procedures according to which the accession negotiations will take place, presented by the European Commission on 1 July 2020;
- Having regard to the decision of the Council of the European Union that the first Intergovernmental Conference be convened as soon as possible after the adoption of the Negotiating Framework by the Council, and prior to that, Albania should have adopted the electoral reform in accordance with OSCE/ODIHR recommendations, ensuring the continued enhancement of the agreed and all-inclusive international standards; ensuring transparent financing of political parties and electoral campaigns; ensuring the continued implementation of judicial reform, including ensuring the functioning of the Constitutional Court and the High Court, taking into account relevant international expertise including applicable opinions of the Venice Commission; finalise the establishment of the anti-corruption and organised crime specialised structures; to further strengthen the fight against corruption and organised crime, including through cooperation with Member States of the European Union and through the Action Plan to address the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) recommendations;
- On the basis of priorities set in the Negotiating Framework, defined by the Council of the European Union on 25 March 2020, to be presented to Albania in the First Intergovernmental Conference,

The Assembly of the Republic of Albania:

1. Welcomes the historic decision of the European Union on the opening of the accession negotiations with the Republic of Albania.
2. Endorses the progress achieved with the reforms related to European integration, which led to the fulfilment of the conditions for the opening of the accession negotiations and to the respective decision of the Council of the European Union.
3. Reconfirms that the negotiations and accession process with full rights in the European Union is the major objective of the foreign policy of the Republic of Albania and it is high on its national agenda, as a country which aims at and it is fully committed to consolidation of democracy, respect for the principles of the rule of law, protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms and those of minorities, political dialogue, transparency, all-inclusiveness and functional market economy, which consist the common values upon which

the European Union is founded;

4. Reaffirms its approach that the progress on the accession process of Albania to the European Union is based on the development and full implementation of transformative and irreversible reforms.
5. Emphasises that the constructive political dialogue within the constitutional institutional framework is essential for the consolidation of a functioning democracy and for the accession process to the European Union.
6. Was informed of the Action Plan for addressing the priorities set in the Conclusions of the Council of the European Union dated 25 March 2020.
7. Urges the Government and all other responsible institutions to consolidate the reforms implemented and to further deepen the reforms to address the priorities set in the Conclusions of the Council of the European Union dated 25 March 2020.
8. Requests that the Government coordinate with the responsible institutions and report quarterly to the Assembly on the implementation of the Action Plan in question.
9. Encourages the Office of the Chief Negotiator to continue the inter-institutional cooperation for an objective presentation to the European institutions and the Member States of the European Union on the achievements and the progress of the implemented reforms.
10. Commits itself to monitor the implementation of the Action Plan by further strengthening the activity of the bodies through which the Assembly exercises its responsibility in the process of accession of the Republic of Albania to the European Union, including the Committee of European Integration and the National Council for European Integration, with a view to strengthening the comprehensive dialogue and increasing transparency in this process.
11. Commits itself to interact and monitor with high responsibility all the Institutions involved, which have the duty to take measures for addressing with urgency the six priority conditions, such as: implementing the electoral reform in accordance with OSCE/ODIHR recommendations, ensuring transparent financing of political parties and electoral campaigns; ensuring the continued implementation of judicial reform, including ensuring the functioning of the Constitutional Court and the High Court, taking into account relevant international expertise, including applicable opinions of the Venice Commission; finalising the establishment of the anti-corruption and organised crime specialised structures; strengthening further the fight against corruption and organised crime, including through cooperating with EU Member States and through the action plan to address the Financial Action Task Force (FATF)

- recommendations, as well as amending the media law in line with the recommendations of the Venice Commission.
12. Commits itself to guarantee and strengthen the integrity and independence of constitutional and legitimate institutions.
 13. Commits itself to strengthen the interaction and diplomatic activity with the parliaments of the Member States of the European Union, with a view to becoming more familiar with the implementation of reforms by Member States and with their public opinion.
 14. Commits itself to continue to review with priority and in a broad consultation process, the legal framework aimed at approximation of the Albanian legislation with the legislation of the European Union including initiatives, which are part of the accession agenda of the Republic of Albania, in line with the Constitution and international conventions.
 15. Calls on the civil society, stakeholders and all social actors to be substantially involved in the discussions of the National Council for the European Integration and in other platforms, in light of being better informed about this process of a significant priority in the interest of the country.
 16. On the basis of the achievements of the implementation of key priorities of the Action Plan, the Assembly of the Republic of Albania encourages the European Union and its Member States to take the decision on convening the first Intergovernmental Conference as soon as possible within the year 2020.

Adopted on, ____/____.2020



REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA

MINISTRY FOR EUROPE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS

**PLAN OF MEASURES FOR ADDRESSING THE PRIORITIES DEFINED BY THE
COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION**

21 September 2020

Introduction

Opening of the accession negotiations to the European Union

Accession to the European Union is the strategic objective of Albania, which is at the core of domestic and foreign policy. The government program 2017–2021 aims to start, as soon as possible, the accession negotiation process. The accession negotiations consist a process of national strategic importance for Albania, as a country that aims to consolidate democracy, respect for the principles of the rule of law, protection of fundamental human rights and freedoms, political dialogue, transparency, inclusiveness and a functioning market economy, which constitute the common values on which the European Union is founded. Progress in the accession negotiation process is based on the development and implementation of transformative and irreversible reforms.

On 25 March 2020, the General Affairs Council of the European Union decided to open the accession negotiations with Albania, based on the progress achieved in the reforms and the fulfilment of the conditions set unanimously by the Council in June 2018. On 26 March 2020, the Council of the European Union adopted the decision of the EU General Affairs Council to open the negotiations with Albania. This decision of the European Union is a political signal of an utmost importance for Albania, which shows that the country is moving towards the right direction, through difficult but indispensable reforms. The government and all state institutions should consolidate the implemented reforms and further deepen the reforms to address the priorities of the European integration process. Following the positive decision on launching Albania's accession talks, the next major step we expect to take is the organization of the First Intergovernmental Conference, marking the first political step of the accession negotiations.

The Plan of Measures for addressing the priorities defined by the EU Council.

The plan sets out measures to be taken by state institutions to address the priorities defined by the Council on 25 March 2020. This Council decided that the first Intergovernmental Conference be convened as soon as possible after the adoption of the Negotiating Framework by the Council, and prior to that, Albania should have adopted the electoral reform in accordance with OSCE/ODIHR recommendations, ensuring transparent financing of political parties and electoral campaigns; ensuring the continued implementation of judicial reform, including ensuring the functioning of the Constitutional Court and the High Court, taking into account relevant international expertise including applicable opinions of the Venice Commission; finalising the establishment of the anti-corruption and organised crime specialised structures; strengthening further the fight against corruption and organised crime, including through cooperation with Member States of the European Union and through the action plan addressing the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) recommendations.

On 25th of March 2020, the Council defined other important priorities along with the priorities of the Negotiating Framework, which will be presented to Albania at the first Intergovernmental Conference.

The Plan sets out tangible measures for each of these priorities, assigning the responsible institutions for their implementation, in compliance with the deadlines defined in the Plan. Thus, the Plan builds on the priorities of the decision of March 2020, which are crucial, both in terms of progress in the next step of the process, the first Intergovernmental Conference, and also during the negotiation process. This Plan engages the highest state institutions. It is adopted by the Assembly, based on the primary role of the Assembly in the fulfilment of the obligations of the integration process and in the monitoring of the activity of state structures in relation to European integration, also serving as a bridge between the actors involved.

Consultation process

Since the measures of the Action Plan include a considerable number of high state institutions, the Plan was discussed on 9 June 2020 at an extended meeting of the National Council for European Integration, with the participation of the President of the Republic, the Speaker of the Assembly, The Prime Minister, representatives of the institutions of the justice system, etc. This discussion was based, not only on the importance of the National Council for European Integration as a comprehensive consultative body for European integration, but also on the need for an Action Plan not only for the government, but a nationwide and an inter-institutional one, with a strong political support and unquestionable will for fulfilling the measures within the deadlines set in the plan.

The suggestions presented during the meeting of the National Council for European Integration and those presented in writing by the institution of the President of the Republic, the High Prosecutorial Council, the Special Prosecution Office against Corruption and Organized Crime, the Institute for Democracy and Mediation and the Albanian Helsinki Committee are widely considered in the final version of the Action Plan.

Monitoring the implementation of the Action Plan

The Assembly will monitor the implementation of the Action Plan, through further strengthening the activity of the bodies through which the Assembly exercises its responsibility in the accession process to the European Union, such as the Committee for European Integration and the National Council for European Integration, in order to strengthen the all-inclusive dialogue and to increase transparency in the accession process to the European Union. This monitoring will be based on periodic reporting by the institutions responsible for the implementation of the measures of the Plan.

Priority to be addressed by the First Intergovernmental Conference

No.	Priority	Measures	Steps	Institutions Involved	Deadlines
1	Adoption of electoral reform	Adoption of the electoral reform (including the financing of electoral campaigns) in full compliance with the OSCE/ODIHR recommendations to ensure the transparent financing of political parties and electoral campaigns	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Adoption of Electoral Code amendments in line with OSCE/ODIHR recommendations 2. Adoption by the Parliament of the special Law on Financing of Political Parties 	The Assembly (Political Council)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Achieved 2. October 2020
2	<p>Ensuring the Continued implementation of the Judicial Reform taking into account relevant international expertise including applicable opinions of the Venice Commission</p> <p>2/a. ensuring the functioning of the Constitutional Court</p>	<p>a. Appointment of at least 6 members of the Constitutional Court:</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Finalising by JAC the process of verification and ranking of candidates for the vacancy announced by the President of the Republic on the date 22.11.2019; 2. Appointment of the candidate by the President of the Republic from the list of three candidates submitted by JAC; 3. Finalising the procedure of verification of the candidates for the two early vacancies, announced respectively by the President of the 	Justice Appointment Council; President of the Republic; Assembly	<p>Deadline for completing steps 1 and 2:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">November 2020</p>

2/b	ensuring the functioning of the High Court	Appointment of judges in the High Court	<p>Republic and the Assembly and re-announcement of vacancies, if the decision making of JAC concludes that the candidates are not eligible according to legal provisions;</p> <p>4.Appointment of two judges of the Constitutional Court serving a term until the year 2022, respectively by the President of the Republic and the Assembly.</p> <p>1. The performing of all procedures of verification, scoring and ranking of candidates for the 12 vacancies announced by HJC, precisely;</p>	HJC	Deadline for completing steps 3 and 4: December 2020
					Deadline First quarter of 2021

3	<p>Finalising the establishment of the anti-corruption and organised crime structures /Functioning of SPAK</p>	<p>1. Filling in the vacancies of SPAK with 15 prosecutors</p> <p>2. Finalising the structure of the National Bureau of Investigation (NBI)</p>	<p>1. Continuing the procedures for the appointment of the other 2 members of SPAK;</p> <p>2. Accelerating the re-evaluation procedures for the two candidates for SPAK members;</p> <p>3. Completing the reconstruction of SPAK premises;</p> <p>4. Adopting the legal amendments in relation to determining the full salary (payment for difficult work) for all SPAK employees.</p> <p>Achieved through the adoption by the Parliament of Law no. 15/2020 "On some addends and amendments of Law no. 96/2016, 'On the Status of Judges and Prosecutors in the Republic of Albania", as amended"</p> <p>4. Starting the process of selection of the Director and 60 candidates for investigators of NBI and examining the candidacies.</p> <p>HPC adopted in the meeting of the date 30.07.2020, Decision no. 183 "On appointment of the Director of the National Bureau of Investigation", Ms. Aida Veizaj was appointed as the Director of the National Bureau of Investigation, with a 5-year term, starting the functions on the date 01.09.2020.</p>	<p>HPC, SPAK, NBI, IQC, SAC, PC</p>	<p>Deadline December 2020</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;">4</p>	<p>Further strengthening the fight against corruption and organised crime, including through cooperation with EU Member States and through the Action Plan to address the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) recommendations</p>	<p>1. Implementation of the Normative Law dated 31.01.2020 "On Preventive Measures in the context of strengthening the fight against terror, organised crime, serious crimes and consolidation of public order and safety"</p> <p>2. Implementation of the Action Plan 2019-2020, in compliance with the Cross-cutting Strategy for the Fight against Organised Crime, Illegal Trafficking and Terrorism, adopted with DCM no. 616, dated 18.09.2019</p> <p>3. Analysis of threats and weaknesses of MLs for specific sectors/products, with a special focus on immovable properties, real estate agents, advocates, accountants and misuse of different types of legal persons (Point 1.1 of 'Immediate Outcome 1' of FATF Recommendations)</p> <p>4. Carrying out a coordinated unique plan for the shortcomings identified by the National Risk Assessment of ML/FT and for the results of the above-mentioned analysis (Point 1.2 of 'Immediate Outcome 1' of FATF Recommendations)</p> <p>5. "Tax Project" for tackling the informal economy and reducing the use of cash</p> <p>6. Putting into operation an electronic system within the Ministry of Justice for the</p>	<p>1. Continued activity of the Operation Power of Law (OPL), increasing the number of cases sent to SPAK.</p> <p>2. Strengthening the investigation capacities of State Police by establishing the special units in the General Directorate of State Police:</p> <p>a) unit of economic crime investigation, Unit E</p> <p>b) unit of police intelligence, Unit 1</p> <p>c) unit of cybercrime, Unit C</p> <p>3. Analysis of bank products and services and the risk that they pose to our banking system with regard to money to laundry; (fulfilled)</p> <p>4. Analysis of misuse of different types of legal persons for money laundering (fulfilled)</p> <p>5. Risk analysis in relation to immovable property and immovable property agents in the field of money laundering;</p> <p>6. Risk analysis of accountants in the field of money laundering;</p> <p>7. Risk analysis of advocates in the field of money laundering;</p> <p>8. Identification of vulnerabilities as a result of the national risk assessment, the proposed measures for their mitigation and the responsible institutions;</p> <p>9. Application by the GTD of the module: "Implementation of cash invoices for businesses with a cash flow above 8 million Albanian Lek</p> <p>10. Training of the staff for using the electronic system.</p>	<p>Steps 1 & 2</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Steps 5, 6, 7 & 8</p> <p>September 2020</p> <p>Steps 9 & 10</p> <p>September 2021</p>
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Government,

	<p>systematic prioritizing of rogatory letters</p> <p>7. Introducing a draft-legal basis for the central register of beneficial ownership and the legal agreements at the Council of Ministers in accordance with the exchange of letters between the Deputy President of the Commission Dombrovskis.</p> <p>8. Adoption of the law "On the profession of immovable property mediator"</p> <p>9. Adoption of the law "On Non-Profitable Organisations"</p> <p>10. Functioning of the electronic system for the registration of NPOs.</p> <p>11. Functioning of the system for carrying out the systematic prioritization of rogatory letters</p>	<p>11. Adoption of the law "On the profession of immovable property mediator";</p> <p>12. Adoption of the law "On Non-Profit Organisations";</p> <p>13. Coordination of the work for establishing the electronic system for the registration of NPOs with the Court of the Judicial District of Tirana;</p> <p>14. Coordination of the work between the Ministry of Justice and the General Prosecution Office for carrying out the systematic prioritization of rogatory letters.</p>	<p>Assembly</p> <p>Court of Judicial District of Tirana, General Prosecution Office</p>	<p>Steps 11&12: November 2020</p> <p>Steps 13 &14 ongoing</p>
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Important Priorities

5	<p>Tackling the phenomenon of asylum seekers and ensuring repatriations of Albanian citizens</p>	<p>Cooperation with the Netherlands, France, Great Britain, Germany, Italy, Ireland. Continued Implementation of the Inter-Institutional Action Plan for the prevention of asylum seeking by Albanian citizens in Schengen countries and taking measures related to repatriation and re-integration of returnees.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continuous information exchange on the trend of abuse with free movement. 2. Strengthening the information exchange with a view to identifying Albanian citizens residing illegally in Schengen area. 3. Continued operations of repatriation of Albanian citizens residing illegally in EU Member States and in the Schengen area. 4. Drafting of an effective legal framework related to the prevention of the abusive phenomenon of asylum seeking, foreseeing coercive measures for travelling towards the countries of Schengen area of persons declared as INAD or DEPORTED. 5. Intensification of operations, in cooperation with FRONTEX – by including an Albanian escort in the coordinated repatriation operations by FRONTEX. 6. Implementation of the National Strategy for Migration 	<p>Government</p>	<p>Drafting of the legal framework in relation to the new preventive measures: Ongoing process</p>
6	<p>Amending the Media Law in line with the recommendations of the Venice Commission</p>	<p>Revision of the law based on the opinions of the Venice Commission, CDL-REF(2020)007-e</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reflection of the Venice Commission Opinion CDL-REF(2020)007-e and adoption of the legal amendments by the Assembly. 	<p>Government, Assembly</p>	<p>December 2020</p>

Priorities expected to be reflected on the Negotiating Framework

7	<p>Initiation of Criminal Procedures against judges and prosecutors accused of criminal conduct during the vetting process</p>	<p>Progress with the judicial processes against judges and prosecutors accused of violations during the vetting process</p>	<p>Identification of cases and following up every case</p>	<p>Judicial institutions</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>
8	<p>Initiation of proceedings against those accused of vote buying</p>	<p>Progress with the investigation/judicial processes against persons accused of vote buying</p>	<p>Identification of cases and following up every case</p>	<p>Judicial institutions</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>
9	<p>Track Records- Initiating and completion of first proceedings against high ranking officials and politicians</p>	<p>1. SPAK and the Special Court should have successful cases of investigation and adjudication of high officials. 2. The functioning of the Anticorruption Network established by order of the Prime Minister 3. Inter-institutional coordination and full implementation of the Fourth Round of GRECO Recommendations. 4. Preparation for the representation and reporting during the 1st Plenary Session of the 5th Round of GRECO, with a focus on: "Prevention of corruption and promotion of integrity in the central government (main</p>	<p>1. Continued work by SPAK and special courts for the investigation and adjudication of high officials; 2. With regard to the Anticorruption Network: 2.1. Appointment of Anticorruption Network members in institutions providing services for citizens and businesses; 2.2 Drafting terms of references for an electronic system of anticorruption cases. 2.3 Cooperation with the Task Force for the successful investigation of corruption cases in public administration; 3. Coordination by the Ministry of Justice of the work with the Assembly, the HJC, HPC, HIDAACI for the fulfilment of the remaining Recommendations from the fourth round of GRECO and successful defence in the Plenary Session; 4. Preparation and inter-institutional coordination for the representation and defence in the 1st Plenary Session of the 5th Round of GRECO with a focus on: "Prevention</p>	<p>SPAK, special courts, Ministry of Justice and responsible institutions reporting to GRECO</p>	<p>Step 1: Ongoing Steps 2 & 3: December 2020 Step 4: Ongoing</p>

10	<p>Progress in the reform of public administration</p>	<p>executive functions) and in law enforcement agencies".</p>	<p>of corruption and promotion of integrity in the central government (main executive functions) and in law enforcement agencies".</p>	
	<p>1. Further enhancing the recruitment process and enforcement of judicial decisions</p> <p>2. Capacity building and implementation of regulatory and budgetary impact assessments in all the ministries to enhance the quality and financial sustainability of the legislative proposals and policies</p> <p>3. Approximation of sectoral legislation with the Code of Administrative Procedures (CAP)</p>	<p>1.1 Periodic coordination and reporting with DoPa for the implementation of measures. Establishing administrative-logistics conditions for the enforcement of judicial decisions in public administration.</p> <p>2.1 Organization of continuous training with the ministries (7 workshops planned through the Assistance)</p> <p>2.2. Drafting of 68 reports of RIA for the draft laws according to the analytic plan</p> <p>2.3. Preparation and adoption of the strategy "Better Regulation";</p> <p>2.4 Quality assurance of the reports in accordance with the criteria agreed with the Delegation;</p> <p>2.5 Examining and adopting the methodological framework for the regulatory impact assessment;</p> <p>2.6. Preparation of impact analysis (with and without monetary value) on the state budget;</p> <p>3. Taking of measures for initiating and coordinating the process of approximation of the sectoral legislation with the Code of Administrative Procedures</p>	<p>Government</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>
11	<p>Implementation of the electoral reform</p>	<p>1. Implementation of the legal framework for electoral reform</p> <p>2. Transparent financing of parties</p> <p>3. Impartial administration of the process</p>	<p>Government / Electoral Administration / Political Parties</p>	<p>Until the first general elections</p>

12	Decision on the lawfulness of the local elections of 2019	The Constitutional Court should be completed	After the Constitutional Court is able to adopt decisions.	Constitutional Court	First quarter of 2021
13	Adoption of sub-legal acts of the Law on National Minorities	<p>1. DCM proposed by the Ministry of Interior to define the composition, functions and procedures of the Committee to examine the requests for recognition of minorities</p> <p>2. DCM on defining the criteria, documentation and relevant procedures for data collection for the identification of persons belonging to national minorities, based on the right of self-identification and documentation in Civil Registry.</p> <p>3. DCM of MESY and MI on the Criteria for Defining the Local Government Unit, the essential number and defining the sufficient requirements to guarantee minorities the right to study their own language or in their own language.</p> <p>4. DCM by the MI on the use of minorities' languages between persons belonging to national minorities and the local government units</p> <p>5. DCM on the Initiatives and Projects for supporting Minorities</p>	Decision making by Central institutions	Government	December 2020

14	<p>Adoption of the Law (amended) on the Census</p>	<p>1. Simultaneous consultation for the draft with the MPs. 2. Consultation with minorities NGOs and experts 3. Communication with EUD and Members States 4. Revision of the draft law in parliamentary committees, consultation with the stakeholders and adoption</p>	<p>1. Revision of the draft-law by the Parliamentary Committee on Economy and Finance 2. Revision of the draft law by the Law Committee 3. Consultations with stakeholders</p>	<p>Assembly</p>	<p>October 2020</p>
15	<p>Implementing the reform on the area of property right including the advancement of the process of registration of properties</p>	<p>1. Completing the sub-legal framework of the Law no. 111/2018 "On the Cadastre of the Republic of Albania". 2. Completing the sub-legal framework of the Law no. 20/2020 "On the Completion of the ownership transitional processes"</p>	<p>1. Drafting of the sub-legal acts pursuant to Law no. 111/2018 and Law no. 20/2020: Both laws are jointly accompanied with a corpus of 27 DCMs, with some being adopted and some in process of adoption and the rest in the drafting process. i. Draft decision "On the Immovable Property Template Card" ii. Draft decision "On detailed rules for the use, administration and storage of the database for immovable properties" iii. Draft decision "On the ownership certificate template and the certificates for the real rights on immovable properties". iv. Draft decision "On the rules and procedures for exercising the right of having access to the electronic system by domestic or foreign legal/natural persons" v. Draft decision "On rules and procedures for handling requests by AKSH"</p>	<p>Government; Parliament</p>	<p>October 2020</p>

