

Attachment to letter No. 08/2025 of the Maritime Association

This is presentation of the provisions of the documents in the cover page letter: a) The General Framework Agreement for Peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina, b) The Constitution of Bosnia and Herzegovina, c) Legal regulations and d) Decisions of the Constitutional Court of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

a) The General Framework Agreement for Peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina (Signed in Paris, December 14, 1995)

This Agreement was signed by three parties: the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Alija Izetbegović, the Republic of Croatia, Franjo Tuđman and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Monte Negro), Slobodan Milošević.

Article 1: The Parties shall conduct their relations in accordance with the principles set forth in the United Nations Charter, as well as the Helsinki Final Act and other documents of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe. In particular, the Parties shall fully respect the sovereign equality of one another, shall settle disputes by peaceful means, and shall refrain from any action, by threat or use of force or otherwise, against the territorial integrity or political independence of Bosnia and Herzegovina or any other State.

Article 10: The Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina recognize each other as sovereign independent States within their international borders. Further aspects of their mutual recognition will be subject to subsequent discussions.

b) The Constitution of Bosnia and Herzegovina

Article III: Responsibilities of and Relations Between the Institutions of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Entities

1. The following matters are the responsibility of the institutions of Bosnia and Herzegovina:

a) Foreign policy. b) Foreign trade policy. c) Customs policy. d) Monetary policy as provided in Article VII. e) Finances of the institutions and for the international obligations of Bosnia and Herzegovina etc.

2. Responsibilities of the Entities: a) The Entities shall have the right to establish special parallel relationships with neighboring states consistent with the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Bosnia and Herzegovina... d) Each Entity may also enter into agreements with states and international organizations with the consent of the Parliamentary Assembly. The Parliamentary Assembly may provide by law that certain types of agreements do not require such consent.

Article V: Presidency

3. Powers

The Presidency shall have responsibility for: a) Conducting the foreign policy of Bosnia and Herzegovina. b) Appointing ambassadors and other international representatives of Bosnia and

Herzegovina, no more than two-thirds of whom may be selected from the territory of the Federation. c) Representing Bosnia and Herzegovina in international and European organizations and institutions and seeking membership in such organizations and institutions of which Bosnia and Herzegovina is not a member. d) Negotiating, denouncing, and, with the consent of the Parliamentary Assembly, ratifying treaties of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

c) Law on the Procedure for Concluding and Executing International Treaties of Bosnia and Herzegovina

Article 3

1. International agreement shall be concluded on behalf of Bosnia and Herzegovina by the Presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

2. The Presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina may authorize the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina and other competent authorities of Bosnia and Herzegovina to conclude a specific international agreement.

3. Each Entity may enter into agreements with States and international organizations with the consent of the Parliamentary Assembly. The Parliamentary Assembly may provide by law that certain types of agreements do not require such consent.

Article 6

The decision to initiate the procedure for conducting negotiations for the conclusion of an international agreement, on its own initiative or at the proposal of the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina, shall be made by the Presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Article 12

When the Presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina has authorized one of the members of the delegation of Bosnia and Herzegovina to sign an international agreement, that member of the delegation may, after the completion of the negotiations, sign the agreement, if its content is in accordance with the basis for conducting negotiations for the conclusion of the international agreement.

d) Decision of the Constitutional Court of Bosnia and Herzegovina No. U-5/98 of 18 August 2000

Constitution of the Republic Srpska (Article 68, paragraph 16)

Article 68 Paragraph 16 of the Constitution of the RS, according to which “the RS regulates and ensures co-operation with the Serb people outside of the Republic”, creates a preference that cannot be legitimized pursuant to Article I paragraph 4 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination. It also violates obligations imposed by Article 2 paragraph 1 item (c) of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination. The same obligation follows from Article 1, paragraph 3, sub-paragraph (a) and Article II, paragraph 1 of Annex VII, taken in conjunction with Article II, paragraph 2 and Article III, paragraph 2, sub-paragraph (b) of the Constitution of BiH.

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