



# Official Journal and Promulgation Act

Ordinary Act of the Congress

Act n° 20/Y27, Day 147

## Preamble

*In order to ensure the certainty, publicity, and regular execution of the legislative process of the New Republic; to safeguard the prompt promulgation and publication of laws duly approved in accordance with the Constitution; and to provide for their orderly entry into force through the Official Journal of the Republic, the Congress of the New Republic hereby enacts the following Act, in conformity with the Constitution of the New Republic.*

## Article 1 – Purpose and Scope

1.1. This Act regulates the promulgation, publication, and entry into force of legislation duly approved by the competent constitutional authority of the New Republic.

1.2. For the purposes of this Act, “legislation” shall include Acts of the Senate, Acts of the Advisory Council, Acts of the Congress, Complementary Acts, and Secondary Legislation, insofar as each has been validly approved in accordance with the Constitution.

## Article Two: Presenting Discussions

2.1. Any legislation that has been duly approved by the Senate, the Advisory Council, or both Houses where bicameral approval is required, shall be promulgated and published within forty-eight (48) hours of its final constitutional approval.

2.2. Promulgation and publication shall be made in the Official Journal of the New Republic, which shall constitute the official and authentic organ for the publication, promulgation, and public record of the laws and official acts of the Republic.

2.2.1. The Official Journal of the New Republic shall serve as the formal organ for the publication of laws, decrees, executive orders, government appointments, and all other official acts of the Republic. Publication therein shall constitute their formal promulgation and their authentic public record.

2.3. The text published in the Official Journal shall contain, at minimum:

- (a) the title of the legislation;
- (b) the legislative authority by which it was approved;
- (c) the date of approval;
- (d) the date of promulgation and publication; and
- (e) the full and final text of the legislation.

## Article 3 – Duty of the Minister of State

3.1. The Minister of State, in his or her capacity as the principal coordinating authority of the Ministries and as Attorney-General of the Republic, shall be responsible for ensuring the promulgation and publication of legislation in the Official Journal.

**3.2.** The Minister of State shall act ex officio whenever legislation becomes eligible for promulgation and publication under this Act.

**3.3.** The duty established in this Article shall be binding irrespective of whether the legislation originated in the Senate, the Advisory Council, or jointly in both chambers.

#### **Article 4 – Subsidiary Duty of Notification**

**4.1.** If the Minister of State has not, ex officio, promulgated and published the legislation within the period established in Article 2.1, the Chief of State or the Speaker of the Senate shall formally notify and request the Minister of State to proceed immediately with promulgation and publication.

**4.2.** Such notification may be made publicly or privately through official government communication channels, provided that a record thereof is preserved.

**4.3.** Upon receipt of such notification, the Minister of State shall promulgate and publish the legislation without undue delay.

**4.4.** Failure to comply within a week, the Chief of State or Speaker of Senate are authorized to publish on the Minister of State behalf.

#### **Article 5 – Failure, Substitution, and Continuity of Government**

**5.1.** If the Minister of State is absent, unavailable, impeded, or otherwise fails to act after notification under Article 4, the Chief of State or the Speaker of the Senate may, in order to preserve legal certainty and continuity of government, cause the legislation to be promulgated and published directly in the Official Journal.

**5.2.** Any promulgation carried out under Article 5.1 shall have the same legal validity and force as if performed by the Minister of State.

**5.3.** Nothing in this Act shall be interpreted so as to prevent the exercise of constitutional powers of the Chief of State in matters concerning continuity of government and the execution of laws.

#### **Article 6 – Entry into Force**

**6.1.** Unless the legislation itself expressly provides for a later effective date, every legislative act governed by this Act shall enter into force immediately upon its announcement following promulgation and publication in the Official Journal.

**6.2.** For the purposes of this Act, announcement shall be deemed satisfied by the official publication of the promulgated legislation in the Official Journal and its communication in the official communication areas of the New Republic.

**6.3.** No legislation shall produce general binding force before its promulgation and publication, except where the Constitution expressly provides otherwise.

#### **Article 7 – Record and Accessibility**

7.1. All legislation promulgated under this Act shall remain permanently archived in a publicly accessible official repository of the New Republic.

7.2. In the case of Secondary Legislation or amendments to existing legislation, the previous version shall remain on record and publicly accessible, together with the date of passage of the new legislation.

## **Article 8 – Final Clause**

8.1. This Act shall be interpreted in harmony with the Constitution of the New Republic and with the principles of publicity, legal certainty, constitutional regularity, and continuity of government.

8.2. This Act shall enter into force immediately upon its promulgation.

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The following Act is hereby adopted and passed by the Advisory Council and Senate of the Congress of the New Republic, in lawful exercise of its constitutional authority, having been duly debated, approved by the required majority of its Members, and certified in accordance with the legislative procedures established under the Constitution, on this 147 day of Year 27.

**PROMULGATED BY:**

*Signed,*

*Donas Kanuteau*

**Chief of State of the New Republic**

*Signed,*

*Darcks Galvan*

**Deputy Chief of State of the New Republic  
Minister of State**

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