

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

of 21 October 2020, No. 1080

Adopting an Emergency Measure

In relation to Government Resolution No. 957 of 30 September 2020, whereby the government, in line with Articles 5 and 6 of Constitutional Act No. 110/1998 Coll., on the Security of the Czech Republic, declared a state of emergency for the Czech Republic, due to a threat to health in relation to the documented occurrence of a coronavirus (designated as SARS CoV-2) in the Czech Republic, and in line with Section 5(a) to (e) and Section 6 of Act No. 240/2000 Coll., on Crisis Management and amending certain acts (the Crisis Act), as amended, to address the current emergency situation, the government has decided to adopt emergency measures, pursuant to Section 5(1)(c) to (e) and Section 6(1)(b) of the Crisis Act.

Effective from 6 a.m. on 22 October 2020 to 11:59 p.m. of 3 November 2020, **the government** hereby

- **I. requires** public authorities and administrative authorities (hereinafter "bodies") to commence limited operations at their workplaces due to the state of emergency, consisting of:
- the restriction of work, state services, in particular those agendas, the performance of which
 must be unconditionally continuously ensured, in particular to ensure the running of public
 administration and public administrative services in the required scope and the perform the
 tasks of the government of the Czech Republic aimed at fulfilling the goals of the state of
 emergency; other agendas are performed to an extent which does not threaten the
 measures listed below, required to protect the health of state employees, employees and
 other officials (hereinafter referred to as "employees"),
- 2. the restriction of personal contact between employees and the addressees of public administration (applicants, other parties to administrative proceedings) and other external persons (hereinafter referred to as the "clients/public") to the essential level; the restriction of contacts will be conducted primarily as follows:
 - a) preference of written, electronic or telephone contact rather than personal contact in all cases possible, while also allowing personal contact for clients/the public during office hours in the scope specified in this crisis measure,
 - b) acceptance of all documents from clients/public only via the filing room workplace, if established; electronic communication will be preferred whenever possible,
 - c) if coming into contact with employees of other bodies and institutions, measures shall be adopted to prevent their direct contact; in-person meetings shall be conducted subject to increased hygienic measures,
 - d) the above-stated measures shall be applied *mutatis mutandis* to the internal contact of employees within the body;
- restriction of the business hours of bodies to 5 hours a day on 2 days a week, at a time accessible to the public; the bodies will appropriately inform of the changes to their business hours and publish these on their official notice boards; the business hours of the bodies will

not be restricted in cases when

- a) the existing business hours of the bodies did not exceed the scope stipulated by this crisis measure.
- b) a restriction of business hours would endanger the body's activities or inappropriately restrict the rights of clients/the public,
- c) a date for an appointment at the workplace of the body was previously confirmed to the client,
- 4. assurance of the operation of individual divisions of the body, always using the lowest possible number of employees present at the workplace, which must be maintained for the activities of public bodies or administrative bodies.
- 5. ensuring the operation of the body such that any quarantine measures ordered with respect to some employees do not threaten the actionability of the body (e.g., alternating separate groups of employees, remote working).

II. repeals Government Resolution No. 994 of 8 September 2020, declared under No. 398/2020 Coll.

To be performed by:

members of the government Heads of other central administrative authorities

Notified:

governors, the Mayor of Prague mayors,

Andrej Babiš, Prime Minister