

LEGISLATIVE MONITORING IN THE AREA OF MIGRATION AND BORDER MANAGEMENT for March 2016

Legislative act or draft	Status (date of approval/further consideration)	Short overview
Draft Law of Ukraine "On denouncing the Agreement between the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine and the Government of the Russian Federation on the procedure of crossing the Ukrainian-Russian state border by the residents of the border regions of Ukraine and the Russian Federation" (No. 0096 of 30 March 2016, MP A.V. Parubii, MP M.P. Velychkovych, MP I.O. Lapin and others)	Sent to MPs for review on 1 April 2016	The Draft Law is aimed at ensuring national security and intensifying activities to protect Ukraine's national interests, independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity by denouncing the said Agreement, which allows the residents of the border region of the aggressor country to cross the border with Ukraine following a simplified procedure.
Draft Law of Ukraine "On the citizenship of Ukraine" on additional grounds for disallowing the renunciation of Ukrainian citizenship" (No. 4235 of 15 March 2016, MP Yu.V. Bublyk)	Sent to MPs for review on 18 March 2016	The Draft Law seeks to amend article 18 of the Law of Ukraine "On Ukrainian Citizenship" by adding additional grounds for disallowing the renunciation of Ukrainian citizenship, namely a failure to meet own obligations before the state or liabilities that concern the interests of legal or natural persons in the territory of Ukraine. The Draft Law also proposes reducing the term allowed for the consideration of applications and submissions regarding renunciation of Ukrainian citizenship.
Draft Law of Ukraine "On amending certain legislative acts of Ukraine regarding priority provision of accommodation to internally displaced persons" (No. 4290 of 23 March 2016, MP Yu.V. Levchenko)	Sent to MPs for review on 28 March 2016	The Draft Law is aimed at ensuring priority provision of accommodation to internally displaced persons who are Ukrainian citizens by providing such accommodation in temporary refugee accommodation centers.
Draft Resolution of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine "On priority provision of accommodation to internally displaced persons (from Donetsk and Luhansk oblasts and the Autonomous Republic of Crimea)" (No. 4264 of 18 March 2016, MP A.Yu. Illenko, MP O.I. Osukhovsky, MP O.O.Marchenko, and others)	Sent to MPs for review on 22 March 2016	The Draft Law is aimed at ensuring priority provision of accommodation to internally displaced persons who are Ukrainian citizens by providing such accommodation in temporary refugee accommodation centers.
Draft Resolution of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine "On the Recommendations of the parliamentary hearing on the topic "Situation with guaranteeing the rights of internally displaced persons and Ukrainian citizens in the temporarily occupied territory of Ukraine and in the area of	Passed on 31 March 2016	In order to increase the efficiency of the state's legislative and institutional influence on the assistance provided to internally displaced persons and Ukrainian citizenship residing in the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the areas of the counter-terrorist operation, the participants of the parliamentary hearing adopted a

the counter-terrorist operation" (No. 4273 of 18 March 2016, MP H.M. Nemyria, MP V.V. Patskan, MP H.V. Lohvynsky, and others)		number of recommendations for the President of Ukraine, the Verkhovna Rada, parliamentary committees, the Cabinet of Ministers, the Ministry of Social Policy, the Ministry of Education and Science, the Ministry of Internal Affairs and other government authorities.
Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 24 February 2016 No. 111 "On approval of the State Social Counter-Trafficking Program until 2020"	Entered into force on 11 March 2016	The Program is aimed at preventing trafficking in human beings, at increasing the efficiency of detecting persons engaged in or facilitating trafficking and at protecting the rights of trafficking victims, especially child victims, and providing assistance to them.
Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 24 February 2016 No. 126 "On approval of the State Targeted Program to Develop Airports until 2023"	Entered into force on 2 March 2016	The Program is aimed at, inter alia, increasing the overall passenger traffic, the throughput capacity of airports and the transit potential of Boryspil International Airport.
Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 2 March 2016 No. 207 "On approval of the Place of Residence Registration Rules and the Procedure of Information Transfer from the Registration Authorities to the Unified State Demographic Register"	Entered into force on 5 April 2016	The Rules define the mechanism for registering/deregistering places of residence/stay of persons in Ukraine (in what follows, registration) and include the forms of the necessary documents. The Procedure defines the mechanism, forms and terms of transferring registration information from the executive authorities of village, settlement and city councils, their officials, village heads who register natural persons in the territory of their respective administrative territorial units to the territorial bodies and units of the State Migration Service for entry into the SMS information system of the Unified State Demographic Register.
Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 16 March 2016 No. 189 "On approval of the Implementation protocol between the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine and the Government of the Republic of Estonia to the Agreement between Ukraine and the European Community on readmission of persons"	Entered into force on 23 March 2016	The Resolution approves the Implementation protocol made in Kyiv on 14 January 2015.
Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 16 March 2016 No. 184 "On approval of the Agreement between the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine and the Government of the Italian Republic on mutual recognition and exchange of driver's licenses"	Entered into force on 22 March 2016	The Resolution approves the agreement made in Rome on 19 November 2015.
Regulation of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 24 February 2016 No. 113-r "On approval of the National Action Plan to Implement UN Security Council Resolution 1325 'Women, Peace, and Security' until 2020"	Entered into force on 24 February 2016	One of the activities of the National Action Plan is the expansion of women's representation in the security and defense sector and power structures, including the border guard service.
Regulation of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 2 March 2016 No. 200-r "On recognizing as invalid Regulations of the Cabinet of Ministers of	Entered into force on 2 March 2016	The Regulation recognizes as invalid the action plan regarding the processing and issuing of the Ukrainian citizen passport and the registration of the place of

Ukraine No. 1000 of 9 October 2013 and No. 1017 of 22 October 2014"		residence/stay of natural persons in Ukraine.
Regulation of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 16 March 2016 No. 201-r "On approval of the plan of state statistical studies for 2016"	Entered into force on 16 March 2016	The plan has been developed in order to meet, in a timely fashion, the needs of citizens, businesses, state administration bodies, mass media, research institutions, international organizations, etc. in official statistical information on the socioeconomic development of Ukraine and its regions. The plan includes, inter alia, state statistical studies in the area of demography and migration.
Regulation of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 16 March 2016 No. 184-r "On approval of the action plan of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine for 2016"	Entered into force on 16 March 2016	The plan includes activities, inter alia, in the area of migration and border management: providing Ukrainian citizens with modern, protected identification documents (Ukrainian citizen passports in the form of ID cards), the development of the draft Migration Code of Ukraine and its submission to the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, the implementation of the project "European wall", the construction and equipment of heavily fortified border facilities, etc.
Regulation of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 23 March 2016 No. 212-r "On setting immigration quotas for 2016"	Entered into force on 23 March 2016	The immigration quota for 2016 is established with a breakdown by region.
Regulation of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 23 March 2016 No. 225-r "On signing the Agreement between the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine and the Government of the State of Israel on the temporary employment of Ukrainian workers in certain sectors on the labor market of the State of Israel"	Entered into force on 23 March 2016	The recruitment of Ukrainian workers will be carried out for Israel's construction sector. It is envisioned that the Israeli side will provide comprehensive support for the relevant information campaign and will simplify the visa and permission procedure for the temporary employment of Ukrainian workers. The sides have to ensure the transparency of the recruitment and temporary employment process.
Decree of the President of Ukraine of 29 February 2016 No. 71/2016 "On changes in the Commission on Citizenship under the President of Ukraine"	Entered into force on 3 March 2016	Changes to the composition of the commission are due to personnel changes in the respective government authorities.
Decree of the President of Ukraine of 14 March 2016 No. 92/2016 "On the Decision of the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine 'On the Concept of the Development of the Security and Defense Sector of Ukraine' of 4 March 2016"	Entered into force on 18 March 2016	The Concept defines a system of views on mid-term development of Ukraine's security and defense capacity, formed on the basis of an assessment of the state's security environment and financial and economic capacity and carried out as part of a comprehensive overview of Ukraine's security and defense sector. The document pertains, inter alia, to the area of migration and border management, the development of the State Migration Service and the State Border Guard Service of Ukraine.
Order of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine "On approval of the Regulation on the Social Integration Center for Refugees and Persons in Need of Complementary or Temporary Protection run by the State Migration Service of Ukraine" of 17 December 2016 No. 1586, registered in the	Entered into force on 25 March 2016	The Center is a multifunctional state institution for social adaptation which carries out activities for refugees and persons in need of complementary or temporary protection helping them integrate into and adapt to Ukrainian society, provides them with access to free legal assistance and language courses, provides

Ministry of Justice of Ukraine on 3 March 2016 under No. 337/28467		assistance in obtaining primary, secondary and vocational education, as well as facilitates temporary employment, the receiving of social services and medical aid guaranteed by Ukraine's legislation and the preservation of their national and ethnic identity.
Order of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine "On approval of sample documents necessary for the processing, replacement, removal, temporary seizure of Ukrainian citizen passports and the registers of such documents" of 25 December 2016 No. 1633, registered in the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine on 25 January 2016 under No. 131/28261	Entered into force on 23 February 2016	The Order approves samples of certificates on the replacement of a Ukrainian citizen passport due to their condition which makes them unfit for further use, certificates on the issuance of a Ukrainian citizen passport to replace a lost/stolen passport, the act and certificate about the removal/temporary seizure of a passport, as well as registers of the abovementioned certificates.
Order of the Ministry of Social Policy of Ukraine and the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine "On approval of the Instruction for collecting and monitoring statistical information on victims of trafficking in human beings" of 11 January 2016 No. 4/5, registered in the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine on 2 February 2016 under No. 169/28299	Entered into force on 23 February 2016	The Instruction defines the procedure of collecting and monitoring statistical information about the detection and referral of victims of trafficking in human beings by the structural units of local state administrations responsible for the VoT status determination procedure, the services for children's affairs, the centers of social services for family, children and youth, and units for combatting trafficking crimes in the National Police as part of the criminal police.
Order of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine "On approval of the Regulation on the border representatives of Ukraine and their staff" of 12 January 2016 No. 6, registered in the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine on 3 February 2016 under No. 185/28315	Entered into force on 4 March 2016	The Order defines the composition and structure of Ukraine's border representatives and their staff, as well as their tasks, functions and rights, and the procedure for organizing their activities.
Order of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine "On approval of the Procedure of operation of a telephone hotline in the apparatus and territorial bodies of the State Migration Service" of 2 February 2016 No. 72, registered in the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine on 25 February 2016 under No. 289/28419	Entered into force on 25 March 2016	The Procedure defines the organization of operation of a telephone hotline in the apparatus and territorial bodies of the State Migration Service, as well the mechanism of receiving, registering, rapidly considering and responding to calls received by the hotline. The telephone hotline is operated in order to ensure additional guarantees of the rights of citizens to inquire about issues that are in the competence of the State Migration Service; to provide explanations regarding the right of citizens to submit an application and request a personal appointment.
Order of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine "On approval of the Instruction about the volume and procedure of payment of an additional monthly financial assistance to the servicemen of the State Border Guard Service of Ukraine" of 2 February 2016 No. 73, registered in the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine on 11 February 2016 under No. 217/28347	Entered into force on 15 March 2016	The Instruction defines the procedure and conditions for the payment an additional monthly financial assistance to the privates, non-commissioned officers and petty officers who serve under contract and hold positions in the State Border Guard Service of Ukraine, its regional directorates, in Marine Guard detachments, border protection bodies (border detachments, individual border checkpoints and aviation units), in the SBGS intelligence body, SBGS education and research institutions, special mission units and SBGS support agencies.

Order of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine "On amending the Procedure of processing the document giving foreigners and stateless persons the right to cross the state border of Ukraine within the framework of local border traffic" of 8 February 2016 No. 28, registered in the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine on 3 March 2016 under No. 348/28478

Entered into force on 25 March 2016

The Order defines, inter alia, a new annex (No.9) to the Procedure which lists documents based on which a permit for simplified border crossing is issued, the term for processing applications for this kind of permit and its validity period for Romania.