

Consultative Council on National Security Act

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Article 1. The National Security Consultative Council shall be a consultative body on the issues of national security.

Article 2. (1) The National Security Consultative Council shall be headed by the President of the Republic of Bulgaria.

(2) Members of the National Security Consultative Council shall be:

1. the Chairman of the National Assembly;
 2. the Prime Minister;
 3. the Minister of Defence;
 4. the Minister of the Interior;
 5. the Minister of Foreign Affairs;
 6. the Minister of Finance;
 7. (new, SG No. 28/2008) the Chairman of the State Agency for National Security;
 8. (renumbered from Item 7, SG No. 28/2008, amended, SG No. 35/2009, effective 12.05.2009) the Chief of the Defence;
 9. (new, SG No. 61/2015, effective 1.11.2015) the Chairperson of the State Agency for Intelligence;
 10. (new, SG No. 61/2015, effective 1.11.2015) the Secretary of the Security Council;
 11. (renumbered from Item 8, SG No. 28/2008, renumbered from Item 9, SG No. 61/2015, effective 1.11.2015) one representative of each parliamentary faction.
- (3) Depending on the issues discussed and in conformity with a decision of the National Security Consultative Council, other state and political functionaries can be invited to its sittings.

Article 3. The National Security Consultative Council shall discuss issues related to:

1. foreign and domestic policy of the country related to national security;
2. guaranteeing civil peace, public order, rights and interests of the Bulgarian citizens;
3. activities on eliminating or preventing any emerging threats to national security.

Article 4. The National Security Consultative Council shall draw up opinions and proposals.

Article 5. (1) The sittings of the National Security Consultative Council shall be regular and extraordinary.

(2) The regular sittings shall be held at least once a quarter.

(3) Pursuant to a decision of the President of the Republic of Bulgaria or in the cases, under Article 100, paragraphs 4 and 5 of

the Constitution of the Republic of Bulgaria, the extraordinary sessions shall be organised.

(4) The sessions shall be held with a quorum of at least two thirds of the National Security Consultative Council membership.

(5) The sessions of the National Security Consultative Council shall be closed.

Article 6. The National Security Consultative Council shall adopt internal rules relating to the organisation, distribution and implementation of its activity.

Article 7. The resources required for the operation of the National Security Consultative Council shall be provided by the budget of the President's administration.

TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

§ 1. This act is adopted pursuant to Article 100, paragraph 3 of the Constitution of the Republic of Bulgaria.

§ 2. The implementation of this act shall be assigned to the President of the Republic of Bulgaria.