

**Translation from Finnish**  
**Legally binding only in Finnish and Swedish**  
**Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Finland**

**Act on the Enforcement of Certain Obligations of Finland as a Member of the United Nations and of the European Union**

(659/1967; amendments up to 504/2015 included)

Section 1

In order to enforce the obligations of Finland as a member of the United Nations, arising from the binding resolutions adopted by the Security Council, the necessary measures of an economic nature or concerning communications or traffic may, in respect of Finland, be provided by a decree.

Section 2

The Speaker of Parliament shall be notified of any decrees issued by virtue of this Act without delay, and he or she shall inform Parliament of them immediately or, if Parliament is not in session, as soon as it is convened, and those decrees shall be repealed if Parliament so decides.

Section 2a (705/1997)

- (1) More detailed provisions on the implementation of regulations adopted under Article 215 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union concerning the interruption of economic and financial relations with a third country or the adoption of restrictive measures against natural or legal persons, groups or non-State entities shall, when necessary, be issued by a government decree. (504/2015)
- (2) Information on the entry into force of the regulations referred to in subsection 1 and on the penal provisions applicable to the violation of such regulations shall be given by an announcement of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, to be published in the Statutes of Finland. (191/2000)

Section 2b (504/2015)

- (1) In addition to what is provided in the regulations adopted under the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union and referred to in section 2a(1), any freezing of funds of a natural person or legal person specified in their annexes shall be implemented by a bailiff upon application of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs in accordance with Chapter 8, sections 5 to 10 and 12 to 15 of the Enforcement Code (705/2007). Any expenses incurred in implementing the freezing and depositing and managing the frozen funds shall be borne by the object of the decision.
- (2) A regulation on the freezing of funds or the annulment of such freezing shall be enforced regardless of appeal.
- (3) Secrecy provisions notwithstanding, a party subject to the reporting obligation referred to in section 2 of the Act on Detecting and Preventing Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing

(503/2008) shall, on their own initiative and without delay, provide the bailiff with any information referred to in Chapter 3, section 66 of the Enforcement Code that they may have concerning natural persons or legal persons referred to in subsection 1 of this section. Chapter 3, sections 64 to 68, of the Enforcement Code contain provisions on the obligation of a third party and an authority to provide information to the bailiff.

- (4) In Finland, the Ministry for Foreign Affairs shall be responsible for the duties imposed on the competent national authority by regulations adopted under the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union and referred to in section 2a(1), by Council decisions on restrictive measures adopted under Article 29 of the Treaty on European Union and by resolutions on sanctions adopted by the Security Council of the United Nations, unless these duties fall within the competence of another authority.

### Section 3

- (1) A commitment or contract entered into contrary to the provisions of this Act or orders issued by virtue thereof, or for the purpose of evading such provisions or orders, shall not be enforced.
- (2) If a commitment or contract entered into prior to the entry into force of a decree issued by virtue of this Act is contrary to the provisions of the decree or to orders issued by virtue thereof, the enforcement of the commitment or contract shall be interrupted without delay.

### Section 4 (504/2015)

A penalty for the violation or attempted violation of a regulatory provision issued by an authority by virtue of this Act, and for the violation or attempted violation of regulations adopted under Article 215 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union and falling within the scope of the common foreign and security policy of the European Union, is provided in Chapter 46, sections 1 to 3 of the Criminal Code (39/1889).

### Section 5

More detailed provisions on the application of this Act shall be issued by a decree.

### Section 6

This Act shall enter into force on 1 January 1968.