

1st SITTING OF THE SEJM, 18, 19 NOVEMBER 2015 – CONTINUATION

THE SEJM HEARD the general policy presentation by Prime Minister **Beata Szydło**.

Beata Szydło presented the goals of her government for its first 100 days. She announced the introduction of a monthly benefit in the form of PLN 500 for each child in families with lower income, and PLN 500 for the second and further children for families with a more favourable financial situation. She declared decreasing the retirement age for women to the age of 60, and for men – to the age of 65. Also, the tax-free allowance is to be raised to PLN 8 000, free medicine is to be granted to persons of at least 75 years of age, the minimal hour wage is to be raised to PLN 12 (which is an element of actions aimed at raising salaries within the Polish economy).

Law is to be amended as regards farmers' insurance and the protection of Polish land from uncontrolled purchase. The government's priority for the coming term is the development of the country. The government intends to raise the investment level. Prime Minister emphasized the necessity to rebuild Polish inland navigation and maritime economy. She declared i.a. establishing the Nation Entrepreneurs' Forum by the Prime Minister, decreasing the CIT to 15% for small enterprises, introducing clear regulations with reference to public procurement, reestablishing vocational education, as well as implementing the programme for rental housing construction.

THE SEJM PASSED the vote of confidence in the Council of Ministers of **Beata Szydło** (456 Deputies voted; absolute majority equaled 229; 236 Deputies voted for the vote of confidence, 202 – against it, 18 Deputies withheld their votes).

THE SEJM PASSED the act amending the act on the Constitutional Tribunal.

2nd SITTING OF THE SEJM, 25, 26 NOVEMBER 2015

THE SEJM PASSED the act amending the act on the personal income tax.

THE SEJM REFERRED TO A COMMITTEE the citizens' bill amending the act on the income of the units of territorial government.

THE SEJM REJECTED IN THE FIRST READING the Deputies' bill amending the act on retirement pay and social benefits financed out of Social Insurance Fund and some related acts.

THE SEJM ADOPTED RESOLUTIONS

- declaring the lack of a legal force of the resolutions of the Sejm of the Republic of Poland of 8 October 2015 electing judges of the Constitutional Tribunal, published in Monitor Polski on 23 October 2015, items 1038–1042;
- amending the Standing Orders of the Sejm of the Republic of Poland (*print no. 36*);

THE SEJM CONSIDERED THE SENATE'S AMENDMENTS as regards the act amending the act on the divisions of government administration and some related acts (*prints no. 10, 31; the Senate's amendments were accepted*).

THE SEJM ADOPTED A RESOLUTION on solidarity with the French nation and honoring the memory of the victims of terrorist attacks in Paris.

THE SEJM ELECTED

- Deputies: **Adam Andruszkiewicz** (Kukiz'15 – K'15), **Piotr Babiarz** (Law and Justice, PiS), **Agata Borowiec** (PiS), **Elżbieta Borowska** (K'15), **Marcin Duszek** (PiS), **Kinga Gajewska** (Civic Platform, PO), **Małgorzata Golińska** (PiS), **Krystian Jarubas** (Polish People's Party, PSL), **Wojciech Król** (PO), **Krzysztof Kubow** (PiS), **Arkadiusz Marchewka** (PO), **Daniel Milewski** (PiS), **Arkadiusz Myrcha** (PO), **Piotr Olszówka** (PiS), **Katarzyna Osos** (PO), **Łukasz Schreiber** (PiS), **Artur Soboń** (PiS), **Krzysztof Truskolaski** (Modern PL, N), **Sylwester Tułajew** (PiS) and **Monika Wielichowska** (PO) for the Secretaries of the Sejm;
- **Jerzy Kozdroń** and **Mariusz Muszyński** for Vice-Presidents of the Tribunal of State, **Piotr Łukasz Juliusz Andrzejewski**, **Kazimierz Barczyk**, **Marek Czeszkiewicz**, **Jacek Dubois**, **Andrzej Kojro**, **Robert Majka**, **Maciej Miłosz**, **Witold Pahl**, **Andrzej Rościszewski**, **Zbigniew Siczkoś**, **Rafał Bogumił Sura**, **Bogdan Witold Szlachta**, **Paweł Śliwa**, **Jerzy Wierchowicz**, **Jarosław Wyrembak** and **Józef Zych** for the members of the Tribunal of State;
- members of the Special Services Committee;
- members of the Deputies' Ethics Committee.

- amending the Standing Orders of the Sejm of the Republic of Poland (*prints no. 41, 47*);
- concerning changes within the personal composition of the Sejm committees.

THE SEJM ADOPTED RESOLUTIONS CONCERNING THE ELECTIONS OF

- Deputies: **Borys Budka** (PO), **Krystyna Pawłowicz** (PiS), **Stanisław Piotrowicz** (PiS) and **Tomasz Rzymkowski** (K'15) for the members of the National Council of the Judiciary;
- Deputies: **Barbara Chrobak** (K'15), **Arkadiusz Myrcha** (PO), **Piotr Pszczółkowski** (PiS) and **Małgorzata Wassermann** (PiS) for the members of the National Prosecution Council.

THE SEJM HEARD THE GOVERNMENT'S CURRENT INFORMATION concerning the security of Poland in the context of international situation.