

Legal Alert

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THE AUTOMATIC ACTIVATION OF COMMERCIAL COMPANIES' ELECTRONIC MAILBOXES HAS BEEN POSTPONED

We recently informed you that the Slovak Government postponed the date of automatic activation of commercial companies' electronic mailboxes from **1 January 2017**.

However, considering the fact that only approximately 25 percent of the statutory bodies of legal entities have requested the new electronic identity card with an electronic chip and security code to activate the electronic mailbox, the Slovak Government has submitted to the National Council of the Slovak Republic a bill to postpone the date for the automatic activation of electronic mailboxes until **1 July 2017**. This means that all legal entities will gain an extra six month period to ensure access to their electronic mailboxes.

This change does not alter the fact that it is necessary to put the electronic mailbox into operation. We highly recommend you do not delay in fulfilling this obligation due to the increased number of applications at state offices.

The above mentioned governmental bill does not solve the problem of foreign persons as a statutory body who, in order to have full access to their electronic mailbox, have to authorize a Slovak citizen or a person with a valid residence permit in Slovakia and with a residence card with an electronic chip or they themselves must be granted a residence permit with a residence card with an electronic chip.

We will continue to monitor the situation and we are ready to provide you with advice and help put your electronic mailbox into operation and also with authorizing a person who may be empowered to activate such access.

Contacts:

In case you need help with setting up access to the electronic mail box, please do not hesitate to contact your contact person in our office, or approach JUDr. Marek Olekšák (marek.oleksak@bapol.sk) or Mgr. Ján Macej, PhD. (jan.macej@bapol.sk).

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