Government Decree 235/2020 (26 May)

on crossing the border from the Czech Republic and the Slovak Republic

The Government,

acting within its original legislative power laid down in Article 53 (2) of the Fundamental Law, having regard to the provisions of Act XII of 2020 on the containment of coronavirus,

acting, with respect to section 6, within its original legislative power laid down in Article 53 (3) of the Fundamental Law, on the basis of authorisation by the National Assembly under section 3 (1) of Act XII of 2020 on the containment of coronavirus,

acting within its function laid down in Article 15 (1) of the Fundamental Law, decrees as follows:

1. Scope of the Decree

Section 1 Border-crossing freight traffic shall not fall within the scope of this Decree.

2. Rules governing entry into Hungary

- **Section 2** (1) By way of derogation from the rules laid down in Government Decree 81/2020 (1 April) on extraordinary measures relating to the state of danger declared for the protection of health and lives and for the restoration of national economy (hereinafter "Government Decree"), a Czech citizen may enter the territory of Hungary, provided that the duration of his stay in the territory of Hungary does not exceed 48 hours.
- (2) By way of derogation from the rules laid down in the Government Decree, a Slovak citizen may enter the territory of Hungary, provided that the duration of his stay does not exceed 48 hours.
- (3) A Czech citizen or a Slovak citizen staying within the territory of Hungary under section (1) or (2) shall leave the territory of Hungary within 48 hours of entry; if he fails to do so, the provisions of the Government Decree shall apply.
- **Section 3** (1) By way of derogation from the rules laid down in the Government Decree, a Hungarian citizen arriving to the territory of Hungary from the territory
 - a) of the Czech Republic or
 - b) of the Slovak Republic
- may enter the territory of Hungary, provided that his stay in the country specified in point *a*) or *b*) did not exceed 48 hours.
- (2) By way of derogation from the rules laid down in the Government Decree and in Government Decree 216/2020 (21 May) on crossing the border from the Republic of Austria, a Hungarian citizen arriving from the territory of the Republic of Austria may enter the territory of Hungary if he substantiates that his destination was the Czech Republic and the duration of his stay there did not exceed 48 hours.
- **Section 4** EEA citizens entitled to permanent residence and proving this right with a permanent residence card shall receive the same treatment as Hungarian citizens.

3. Final provisions

Section 5 With the exception specified in paragraph (2), this Decree shall enter into force on the day following its promulgation.

(2) Section 6 shall enter into force on the fifteenth day following the promulgation of this Decree.

Section 6

Section 7



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