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No.	JUNE 2018 EU COUNCIL DECISION ON ENLARGEMENT AND SAP	JUNE 2019 and OCTOBER 2019 EU COUNCIL DECISIONS ON ENLARGEMENT AND SAP	MARCH 2020 EU COUNCIL DECISION ON ENLARGEMENT AND SAP
I	REFORM THE PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION	REFORM THE PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION	TANGIBLE PROGRESS ON REFORMING THE PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
II	REFORM OF THE JUDICIARY	REFORM OF THE JUDICIARY	CONTINUE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF JUDICIAL REFORM
II.1	Further advancing the re-evaluating of judges & prosecutors, in particular completing all priority dossiers, and finalizing the establishment of the independent judicial structures as foreseen by the Constitutional reform	No change from 2018	Ensure functioning of Constitutional Court and High Court including applicable opinions of Venice Commission
II.2	Finalizing the establishment of specialized bodies, namely the Special Anti-Corruption and Organized Crime Structure (SPAK) and National Bureau of Investigation (NBI) and Court	No change from 2018	Finalize the establishment of the anti-corruption and organized crime specialized structures
II.2.i			Launching of the Special Anti-Corruption and Organized Crime Structure (SPAK);
II.2.ii			Initiation of criminal procedures against judges and prosecutors accused of criminal conduct during the vetting process
III	FIGHT AGAINST CORRUPTION	FIGHT AGAINST CORRUPTION	FIGHT AGAINST CORRUPTION
III.1	Strengthening the track record of proactive investigations, prosecutions and final convictions in the fight against corruption, including at high level	No change from 2018	Initiation of proceedings against those accused of vote buying, fight against corruption and organized crime, including high ranking public officials and politicians
III.1.i			Initiation of proceedings and completion of first proceedings against high ranking public officials and politicians
III.2			Address the Financial Action Task Force recommendations
IV	FIGHT AGAINST ORGANIZED CRIME	FIGHT AGAINST ORGANIZED CRIME	FIGHT AGAINST ORGANIZED CRIME
IV.1	Strengthening the track record of proactive investigations, prosecutions and final convictions in the fight against organized crime, including at high level	No change from 2018	Fight against organized crime, including high ranking public officials and politicians
IV.1.i	Tangible results in dismantling organized criminal networks		Address the Financial Task Force Recommendations
IV.2	Further pursue tangible and sustainable results in countering cultivation and trafficking of drugs		
V	PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS, INCLUDING RIGHTS OF PERSONS BELONGING TO MINORITIES AND PROPERTY RIGHTS	PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS, INCLUDING RIGHTS OF PERSONS BELONGING TO MINORITIES AND PROPERTY RIGHTS	PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS, INCLUDING OF ROMA, AND ANTI-DISCRIMINATION POLICIES, AS WELL AS IMPLEMENTING PROPERTY RIGHTS
V.1	Need for effective legislative & policy measures to reinforce protection of human rights & anti-discrimination policies including, the equal treatment of all minorities & access to rights for persons belonging to them, and to ensure consistent implementation of the framework law by addressing in relevant by laws all outstanding issues, including the right to free self-identification	No change from 2018	Further progress in the adoption of the remaining implementing legislation related to the adoption of 2017 framework law on protection of national minorities
V.2	Need for efficient implementation of property rights	No change from 2018	Advancement of the process of registration of properties
V.3			Adoption of law on population census in accordance with Council of Europe recommendations
V.4			Amendment of The Media Law in line with the recommendations of the Venice Commission
VI	ON ELECTIONS, ADDRESSING THE OUTSTANDING RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE OSCE/ODHIR	NO CHANGE FROM 2018	ADOPT ELECTORAL REFORM FULLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH OSCE/ODHIR RECOMMENDATIONS
VI.1			Implementation of the reform of the electoral law
VI.2			Ensuring transparent financing of political parties and electoral campaign finances
VI.3			Final decision on the lawfulness of the local elections of 30 June 2019
VII	REDUCING THE NUMBER OF MANIFESTLY UNFOUNDED ASYLUM APPLICATIONS	NO CHANGE FROM 2018	TOUGHER ACTION AGAINST IRREGULAR MIGRATION / TACKLING UNFOUNDED ASYLUM APPLICATIONS AND ENSURING REPATRIATIONS

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Note

Information has been drawn from the decision of the EU Council of Ministers of June 2018, of June 2019 and of October 2019, and of March 2020. CDI has done the classification and slightly modified the language to adapt to the table format.

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