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*Press Release*

*On the review of the National Competition Policy document*

The Competition Commission under Article 24 of the Law "On Protection of Competition" has revised the document on National Competition Policy.

Improvements in this document reflect the experience of a 12-year period from the beginning of the implementation of the Law on "Competition Protection". Also there have been reflected the findings from the evaluation process of the implementation of competition law and policy carried out by experts of UNCTAD, a process required by the Competition Authority and the European Commission's recommendations and expressed through systematic progress reports.

Current legislation enables the implementation of an effective political competition in all sectors of the economy and the Albanian Competition Authority through actions has made significant progress in increasing competition culture by businesses and consumers and given necessary recommendations to policy makers on acts that may have affected the functioning of competition in the market.

During 2015, the Competition Authority has worked to revise the document of the Competition Policy based on the findings recorded during interventions in the markets, the number of which has been increasing, improved investigative instruments and interaction with market actors and institutions mainly in the form of regulatory bodies to ensure a functioning market economy.

The revised draft of the document to the Competition Policy after having gone for a broad public discussion, aiming at the inclusion of all stakeholders through the consultation process with universities, line ministries, business community and consumer organizations, law firms and policy makers, will be approved by the Competition Commission.