



Royal Decree Law on Measures to ensure Budgetary Stability

## The waiver of 64 former senior public officials of their severance pay will save €4,762,627.88

- Of the 85 persons entitled to the financial compensation, only 21 agreed to continue receiving it

**4 August 2012.**-The application of Article 1 of Royal Decree Law 20/2012, which prevents combining compensatory allowance payments for stoppage of work of former senior officials with any other compensation would result in savings of €4,762,627.88.

At the end of the period set for adjusting the situation, a total of 55 former senior officials of the 85 who were entitled to payment had replied to requests sent from the Ministry of Finance and Public Administration. Of these, 21 former senior officials have chosen to collect the compensatory allowance and 34 have waived entitlement. In the case of the 30 former senior officials who have not answered, it is understood by law that they have also waived the entitlement. This brings to 64 the number of former senior officials who have waived their severance pay.

The Royal Decree established the incompatibility of the severance pay with any other form of remuneration for members of the Government as well as for Secretaries of State and equivalent; the State Attorney General; the president and members of the Spanish Securities Market Commission and all regulatory and oversight bodies; the Governor and Deputy Governor of the Bank of Spain, the chief and secretary of the House of His Majesty the King; and magistrates of the Judiciary, Court of Auditors, Constitutional Court and the Ombudsman's office.

## Allocation to bodies

With regard to members of the Government, one former president, 18 former ministers and 39 former secretaries of state and equivalent were entitled to the compensatory pension. Thirty-five responses have been received, of which 6 have chose to maintain the severance pay. The 29 remaining have waived the severance pay. The same has occurred with the 23 who have not responded.

With regards the Telecommunications Market Commission, 7 former officials were entitled to this compensation, of whom 4 people have replied: three choose to receive the compensatory pension and the other chose to receive another public compensation in the General State Administration. The other 3 former senior officials, in not answering, waive the entitlement, as established in the Royal Decree Law.

With respect to the National Commission of Energy, 9 people were affected, of whom 5 have responded: four have opted for the cessation compensation and the other has waived it.

In the Spanish Securities Market Commission, there was only one affected person, who opted for the compensatory allowance, or severance pay.

At the National Postal Sector Commission there was only one affected person, who waived this allowance and chose a different public compensation.

The Supreme Judicial Council includes two former senior officials: one of them opted for the compensatory cessation allowance and the other waived it, opting for the public compensation for the job that he/she is currently performing.

In the Nuclear Safety Council only two people were affected, who opted for the compensatory allowance, or severance pay.

In the National Competition Commission there were two affected people, of whom one opted to maintain the severance pay and the other waived it.

In the Constitutional Court three people were affected, who opted for the transition remuneration, which is only received for 1 year.

## Savings not considered

In connection with the Bank of Spain, two responses have been received. In this case there are no savings, as the Law of Autonomy of the Bank of Spain has already established incompatibility with a second public or private remuneration.

In the case of the Court of Auditors, there are 7 people affected, from whom 5 replies have been received, and who are opting for the compensatory allowance or severance pay. However, in this case, since there were cessations on 23 July, the deadline to decide is 10 August. Therefore, these people have not been taken into account for the calculation, and moreover, because the Court of Auditors has still not determined the amount of this allowance.

To calculate the savings, the remunerations were taken into account which would have been collected by these former senior officials in the event that they had continued with this entitlement and stopped receiving. It does not include savings for the waiver of retirement pensions or second public service remunerations.

	Persons entitled to compensation	Answered	Accepted	Waived	Did not answer / Waived	Total waived
Government	58	35	6	29	23	52
Telecommunication s Market Commission	7	4	3	1	3	4
National Energy Commission	9	5	4	1	4	5
Spanish Securities Market Commission (CNMV)	1	1	1	0	0	0
NATIONAL POSTAL SECTOR COMMISSION	1	1	0	1	0	1
Nuclear Safety Council	2	2	2	0	0	0
National Competition Commission	2	2	1	1	0	1
General Council of the Judiciary	2	2	1	1	0	1
Constitutional Court	3	3	3	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>64</b>