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THE SENATE
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RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE

Delivered on the 12th session held on 15th February 2018

**on the Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council
on the implementation of the Galileo and EGNOS programmes and on the
performance of the European GNSS Agency
(Senate Print no. K 77/11, COM(2017) 616)**

The Senate

I.

1. Agrees

with the Position of the Government on the Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the implementation of the Galileo and EGNOS programmes and on the performance of the European GNSS Agency (GSA);

2. Identifies

with the positive assessment of the performance of the GSA, including its direct impact on the development of the space industry in the Czech Republic;

II.

1. Recommends

that maximum use of Galileo and EGNOS services by all market segments be supported in the next period, including active motivation for small and medium size enterprises that develop devices and applications using the navigation systems;

2. Is of the opinion

that the services offered by Galileo should remain under EU civil governance and, after due consideration of cyber security aspects, be available to the largest possible number of users for commercial and non-commercial purposes; in this regard, the Senate considers it important to ensure sufficient funding of the Galileo and EGNOS programmes from the next EU multiannual financial framework for the 2021-2027 period;

3. Calls

for greater cooperation between both programmes and the evolving European defence initiatives, in accordance with the adopted Space strategy for Europe and the European Defence Action Plan, while preserving the current civil management structure;

4. Supports

closer synergies with the Copernicus programme which concentrates on Earth remote sensing, in connection, among other, with the global security and development of integrated applications that use data from the satellite navigation and Earth observation;

5. Recommends

strengthening the role of GSA in the management of the EU satellite navigation programmes and using its expertise and experience when managing other EU space programmes;

6. Considers it highly important

that the Government of the Czech Republic take active steps in support of the GSA performance in the Czech Republic and its further development;

III.

1. Requests

the Government to inform the Senate about the way this resolution was taken into account and about further development of negotiations;

2. Authorises

the President of the Senate to forward this Resolution to the European Commission.

Milan Štěch
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President of the Senate

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Senate Verifier