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Government Decree

on the amendment of the Land Use and Building Decree

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In accordance with a decision of the Government, sections 49, 70–72 and 74–79 of the Land Use and Building Decree (895/1999) are *repealed* and sections 48 and 73 are *amended* as follows:

Section 48

Duties of the principal designer

The principal designer shall see to the following, in cooperation with the party engaging in a building project and in a manner appropriate for the quality and extent of the project:

- 1) project timetable and the allocation of sufficient time for the design;
- 2) the sufficiency and up-to-datedness of the basic information for the design, and the submission of the basic information to other designers;
- 3) the sufficient coverage of the designs;
- 4) the drafting of the permit documents and special designs and reports, and their submission to the building supervision authority;
- 5) the coordination of the design of changes made to the plan after the permit decision, and the application for the approval or permit needed for the changes;
- 6) the division of responsibilities and cooperation between the designers and design coordination procedures.

In addition to the provisions in subsection 1, the principal designer shall provide an account of the architectural history, properties and condition of the building, earlier repair and alteration works and the

effects of the results of the opening or demolition of structures during the construction work on the design, before starting the design and in cooperation with the party engaging in a building project, in a manner appropriate for the quality and extent of the repair and alteration work.

Section 73

Duties of the responsible site manager

The responsible site manager shall, as required by the quality and extent of the project, ensure that:

- 1) reviews by authorities are requested in time and the inspections and measures are carried out at appropriate stages;
- 2) the approved master drawings, the necessary special designs, the construction inspection document and other documents are available on the site;
- 3) the necessary reports on the risk stages and detrimental effects of the building project have been drawn up;
- 4) the necessary measures to prevent risks and inconvenience are taken before and during the construction;
- 5) the necessary measures are taken to correct the flaws or errors during the construction;

6) the project is staffed with a specialty site manager appropriate for the difficulty of the construction work who manages the appointed duties.

In addition to the provisions in subsection 1, the responsible site manager shall ensure that the results of the opening or demolition of structures during the construction work are taken into account in the construction, in a

manner appropriate for the quality and extent of the repair and alteration work.

The provisions in subsections 1(1–5) and 2 on responsible site managers also apply to specialty site managers.

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This Decree enters into force on 1 June 2015.

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