ASLOCA REQUEST TO THE GOVERNMENT

The Association for the Defence of Tenants' Interests (ASLOCA) has requested, by letter, that the Federal Council suspend the expulsion deadlines in order to protect private and commercial tenants.

Below, the news freely translated into English:

"Hello,

In recent days, the Federal Council and several cantons have announced several measures in connection with the Covid-19 pandemic. In the current situation, the protection of tenants is not guaranteed. For this reason, the Swiss Tenants' Association (ASLOCA) has today requested the Federal Council to adopt an urgent federal decree to suspend any delays that could have a negative impact on private or commercial tenants.

Protecting tenants without income

This request concerns in particular the time limits provided for in the law of obligations and in civil procedure. Tenants who can no longer pay their rent because of the measures taken to combat Covid-19, in particular because they would no longer receive a salary or would lose their income as a result of the compulsory closure of their business, must be particularly protected. ASLOCA calls for these tenants not to be evicted, even after the crisis is over. The European Court took a similar decision yesterday.

Suspension of evictions

The Federal Council must also take account of the financial means required to pay the rent in its economic measures and social assistance.

Furthermore, ASLOCA requests that all enforcement measures be suspended, since the authorities are no longer able to urgently rehouse the tenants who would be affected by these evictions.

Please take care of yourselves! Your ASLOCA Switzerland »

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