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THE CONSTITUTIONAL COURT ADMITS THE GOVERNMENT'S APPEAL AGAINST VARIOUS PRECEPTS WITHIN THE ANDALUSIAN BUDGETARY LAW FOR 2017

The Plenary Session of the Constitutional Court has admitted the appeal on the grounds of unconstitutionality presented by the President of the Government against various precepts, exclusively affecting the system of advance payment of State tax, within Law 10/2016, of 27 of December on the Budget of the Autonomous Region of Andalusia for 2017.

The Court has resolved to serve notice of the appeal to the Chamber of Deputies and to the Senate, along with the Autonomous Government and Parliament of Andalusia, which are afforded fifteen days in which to appear as a party to the proceedings and make any representations they deem appropriate.

The Plenary Session has also decided to suspend the validity and application of the challenged regulation, as an automatic consequence of the Government's invocation of the appeal outlined in article 161.2 of the Constitution. The aforementioned precept establishes the following: *"The Government may contest before the Constitutional Court the provisions and resolutions adopted by bodies of the Autonomous Regions. This challenge shall entail the suspension of the contested provision or resolution, but the Court must either ratify or lift the suspension, as the case may be, within a period of not more than five months"*.

Admission and interim suspension do not represent any form of advance decision on the merits of the appeal, which the Court will resolve shortly.

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