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INTRODUCTION

Welcome to Ohadalegis!

If you come here, it is because you are looking for some information which may help you, enlighten you as regards your situation as future partner or manager, as lessor or tenant, as creditor or debtor of a company operating in the Ohada zone etc.

The question we would like to ask you is "what is legal security" for you?

THE VARIOUS ATTITUDES AS REGARDS LEGAL SECURITY

It is to be noted that the behavioural habits in this field vary a lot :

. for some people, the term "legal security" is a side issue because the important thing is the formality they have completed (the signing of the articles of association, of the lease etc.), "the rest shall fall into place", which is the reason why they spend little energy "after", as if this element alone could set up a cloudless environment once the ink from the pen is dry...,

. others are driven by various considerations:

- the **saving-money concern** because for them, seeking legal security means "having to spend money" they don't have, or don't want to spend,

- **an a priori** : "I'm willing to try to get the information, but it seems so complicated...",

- the "**monopolization of daily life needs**" to be satisfied in the only 24 hours and 365 days given to each of us on earth,

- sometimes, even the **simple laziness** which makes them say "we'll see...".

It is when the clouds appear and a lot of water flows on their head that they start twisting and turning to keep their head out of water, with of course some damages, some of which sometimes irreversible.

THE SURROUNDINGS OF LEGAL SECURITY AND ITS LEVEL

Legal security is not a single standard because it depends in fact on the state of mind of the person interested in benefiting from it:

. ***maximum security*** for those who will therefore seek to get the related means (acquisition of the necessary sources of information, of the services of the professionals able to ensure a high level of security); this obviously implies the mobilization of some means which may be available or not, but which may be intelligently gathered gradually in the latter case;

. ***circumstantial security*** for others who will wait for a pre-litigation or litigation matter to see "how they will fight back".

Of course, the more things are circumscribed and controlled upstream, the less damages, even if there are some, and those who have found it preferable to "avoid spending any money and energy to ensure a minimal security are often forced to spend even more energy and funds afterwards, sometimes at a time when they are least prepared to manage these kinds of situations... Welcome to the climbing adrenalin level...

**WHAT TO DO THEN AS REGARDS THIS ISSUE FACED
BY ANY PERSON OR STRUCTURE EVOLVING OR
DESTINED TO EVOLVE IN THE BUSINESS WORLD?**

You must think, take a stand and act on the basis of the lessons of the good old sowing law: if you want to be able to operate in a legal environment as secure as possible (harvesting to be understood as to enjoy some level of legal security), you must sow (spend energy to look for and gather information, money etc. which can ensure this security).

When you have not sown anything, you reap insecurity and then only blame yourself. Don't be like those who plant carrots and when the time of the harvest comes, they start complaining or having some moods: "they would have preferred potatoes ...".

Another important point is that when the legal or the contractual environment gives you some rights, **take time to know them** to exercise them properly and ensure their compliance knowingly. The rights you are granted are not given for you to just look at them, the stand of many people who however dare complain after seeing their rights not respected.

Here again, a rule of nature which abhors a vacuum must be recalled: when you leave the field you have patiently planted etc. without any follow-up, various weeds and predators will not ask you a permission to invade your field. You will simply find that they have "occupied the field"... in your absence... This is true in ALL the areas of life.

CONCLUSION

For a minimal legal security according to your status as landlord/tenant, partner/manager, creditor/debtor etc., choose the level of legal security with which you wish to evolve and think about a strategy to implement accordingly to avoid financial stress or too much energy to spend because there are always several alternatives, except the one that we don't bother to seek and adopt.

Ohadalegis is in a renewal process and its new version will include various information, resources and learning opportunities (including online courses) for various profiles : business project holders, partners/shareholders and managers of Ohada companies, creditors of such companies etc. If you wish to be informed, please contact us at infos.oh@ohadalegis.com.

Thank you for your attention and see you soon, we hope.