

## Press Office of the Constitutional Court

## Press Release of 9 October 2019

## ILVA: CASE FILE REMITTED TO THE TARANTO PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATIONS JUDGE FOLLOWING A CHANGE IN THE LAW

The Constitutional Court met today in chambers to discuss the issue raised by the Preliminary Investigations Judge at the Tribunale di Taranto concerning two provisions enacted in 2015 (amended on various occasions), which enabled operations by the ILVA facility to be continued and exempted the individuals who had adopted and implemented the restructuring plan from any criminal liability, asserting that the provisions failed to comply with various constitutional principles, including first and foremost those concerning the protection of human health and the environment.

Pending the filing of the order by the Court, the Press Office of the Court announces that it was decided after a discussion to remit the case file to the Preliminary Investigations Judge who must now - considering that legislation has been enacted on two occasions in the intervening period (Decree-Law no. 34 of 2019 and subsequently Decree-Law no. 101 of 2019, pending conversion into a law) - assess whether the questions and doubts concerning the constitutionality of the legislation are still relevant.

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