

## **DECISION**

**of Central Election Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan  
on consideration of the appeal # 65 submitted to the Central Election Commission  
on October 9, 2015 and appeal # 81 submitted on October 10, 2015 in the  
Elections to the Milli Majlis of the Republic of  
Azerbaijan on November 1, 2015**

In his written apply addressed to the Central Election Commission on October 9, 2015, Iman Ibish Imanov nominated to deputy on "AZADLIG-2015" bloc of political parties on Aghjabadi-Fuzuli Con.EC # 83 challenged the decision of Con.EC on refusal to register as a candidate and requested to restore violated rights by adopting an appropriate decision in the Elections to the Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan on November 1, 2015.

At the same time, Sharafat Gazanfar Hajiyeva registered on the same Con.EC making written apply to the Central Election Commission on October, 2015, challenged the decision of Con.EC on refusal to register I.I. Imanov as a candidate, claiming that probability of registration him as a candidate to deputy at the result of checking signature sheets and other election documents attached to it, she requested to examine the same documents more seriously.

The appeals were adopted for the implementation in comply with Articles 112 and 112-1 of the Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan and "Instruction on the rules for filing appeals and complaints to the Central Election Commission and Constituency Election Commissions of the Republic of Azerbaijan and their consideration", relevant opinion was provided on this issue by a member of the Expert Group under CEC and considered at the Commission session upon the investigation of the appeal by the Expert Group member.

Candidate I.I.Imanov noted in his appeal that he was nominated to deputy on "AZADLIG-2015" bloc of political parties on Aghjabadi-Fuzuli Con.EC # 83, collecting voters' signatures in the territory of the same constituency, signature sheets and other important documents attached to it was submitted to the Con.EC, but being invalid

registration of his candidacy was rejected by appropriate decision of the Con.EC and the relevant decision of Con.EC was submitted to him.

During investigation process, it was defined that Con.EC sending telegram to I.I. Imanov informed him on place and time of Commission session should be held on October 6, 2015, for considering the issue on registration or non-registration of his candidacy on October 5, 2015. Repeatedly, Con.EC gave information on date of session to I.I. Imanov via phone on October 6, 2015.

During investigation, it was kept in touch with candidate nominated to deputy and he was informed on his rights to submit additional documents and materials, participate in session and investigation, his participation in session of The Central Election Commission was ensured.

Con.EC substantiated the decision on rejection for registration of I.I. Imanov as a candidate to deputy basing on the following: 118 of 533 voters' signatures submitted by candidate were alike and for that reason were considered to be invalid.

In protocol and opinions, dated October 10, 2015, compiled by the working group under CEC, as a result of checking the necessary documents for the registration of a candidate it seems that, 377 of 533 voters' signatures in signature sheets submitted by I.I. Imanov for his registration as a candidate are considered to be valid.

Thus, the number of valid voters' signatures was not enough for the registration of a candidate, so there was no basis for the registration of a candidate.

Pursuant to Article 147.1 of Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan at least 450 voters' signatures should be collected in support of a candidate within the territory of the constituency for which he/she has been nominated.

Pursuant to the mentioned, complaint of I.I. Imanov being invalid shall not be implemented; decision # 17/41, dated October 6, 2015 on refusal to register a candidate on Aghjabadi-Fuzuli Con.EC # 83 shall be kept in force without being amended and the appeal of the registered candidate, Sh.G. Hajiyeva shall be implemented.

Taking the above mentioned as a basis, pursuant to Articles 19.4, 28.2, 59, 60.2.4, 112, 112-1, 147 of Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan and item # 1, 2, 4, 6 and 7 of the” Instruction on the rules for filing appeals and complaints to the Central Election Commission and Constituency Election Commissions of the Republic of Azerbaijan and their consideration” the Central Election Commission decides:

1. The appeal # 65 of Iman Ibish Imanov nominated to deputy on “AZADLIG-2015” bloc of political parties on Aghjabadi-Fuzuli Con.EC # 83 as a candidate on October 9, 2015, being invalid shall not be implemented, 2015, the decision # 17/41 of the Con.EC, dated October 6, 2015 shall be kept in force without being amended.

2. The appeal of Sharafat Gazanfar Hajiyeva on the same Con.EC, registered as a candidate in the same Con.EC, shall be considered to be implemented.

3. The decision shall be enforced upon its publication.

CEC Chairman

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