

DECISION

of the Central Election Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan on making amendments to the "Instruction on the rules for the conduct of pre-election campaign via mass media in the Presidential elections of the Republic of Azerbaijan"

The Central Election Commission needed to improve many legal acts adopted in concern with the application of the Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan and preparation and conduct of elections (referendum) caused from the necessity of periodically improving the legislation of the Republic of Azerbaijan and more perfectly regulating the election (referendum) relations. Therefore, the structural principles of the enforced "Instruction on the rules for the conduct of pre-election campaign via mass media in the Presidential elections of the Republic of Azerbaijan" approved by the CEC decision 7/27-8 dated 18 July 2008 shall be adjusted with Article 30 of the Constitutional Law "On Normative acts" of the Republic of Azerbaijan, dated 21 December 2010, it shall be improved by being made relevant amendments in accordance with the Law "On making amendments to the Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan" dated 18 June 2010.

Within its competence, CEC shall ensure the implementation of the activities implied by the legislation on the official publication and enforcement of these amendments.

By assuming the above-mentioned as a basis and according to Articles 75.2, 78.2 and 78.3 of the Constitutional Law "On normative acts" of the Republic of Azerbaijan, Articles 19.4, 19.14, 28.2 and 28.4 of the Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan, the Central Election Commission (CEC) **decides:**

1. "Instruction on the rules for the conduct of pre-election campaign via mass media in the Presidential elections of the Republic of Azerbaijan" approved by the CEC decision 7/27-8 dated 18 July 2008 shall be made the following amendments:

1.1. "1. General provisions" shall be regarded as an preamble.

1.2. Item 1.2 shall be seen as the 1st part and appropriately numbered.

1.3. In items 1.1. and 1.2, after the words "not to provide" the words "to provide" and in item 1.3, after the word "advertisement" the words "TV and radio broadcasting" shall be added.

1.4. In item 2.1, figure "28" shall be replaced by figure "23" and the words "up to the voting" by the words "up to the start of the voting (Election Day)".

1.5. In item 2.4, after the word "publications", the words "are as follows" and in semi-item 2.4.1, after the words "which are broadcasted" the words "which are broadcasted at least once in a week" shall be added.

1.6. In the second sentence of item 3.2., the phrase "who had participated in the voting and collected less than 3 % of voters' valid votes" and in the second sentence of item 3.3.5, the phrase "as well as, of the space allocated for publication in periodicals" shall be excluded.

1.7. In item 4.2, figure "35" shall be replaced by "30".

1.8. In semi-item 5.1.6, the phrase "of foreign legal entities" shall be added after the phrase "of the countries".

2. Within its competence, CEC shall ensure the implementation of the activities implied by the legislation on the official publication and enforcement of this Decision.

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