DECISION

of Central Election Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan on the registration of "ELS" Independent Investigation Center to conduct "exit poll" in the nationwide voting (referendum) appointed to September 26, 2016

"ELS" Independent Investigation Center applied to the Central Election Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan and asked to be registered in the aim of holding "exit poll" in the nationwide voting (referendum) appointed to September 26, 2016. The appeal together with the necessary documents for the accreditation was submitted to CEC on August 30, 2016.

The Central Election Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan has conducted relevant investigation on this in a manner and time period defined by legislation and determined the legal grounds for the registration of the organization.

Pursuant to Article 25.2.23 of Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan, requirements have been identified by the Central Election Commission for the accreditation of the organizations intending to hold "exit poll" basing on "Rules for the accreditation of the organizations conducting "exit poll" in elections within the Republic of Azerbaijan". Since the submitted documents are responding to the requirements of those Rules, the appeal of "ELS" Independent Investigation Center on accreditation shall be implemented.

Taking the above mentioned as a basis, pursuant to Articles 19.4, 19.14, 25.2.23, 28.2, 28.4 of Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan, as well as items # 1 and 2.3 of the above-mentioned Instruction, CEC **decides**:

- 1. "ELS" Independent Investigation Center shall be registered to conduct "exit poll" in the nationwide voting (referendum) appointed to September 26, 2016.
- 2. The decision shall be enforced upon its publication.

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