## DECISION

of Central Election Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan on consideration of the appeal # 31 submitted to the Central Election Commission on December 27, 2019 in the Municipal Elections on December 23, 2019

Regarding the Municipal Elections on December 23, 2019, by Hasanova Samaya Khanahmad and other registered candidates on Bibi-Heybat municipality of Sabail Con.EC # 29 applied to the Central Election Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan (CEC) on December 27, 2019 arguing the voting results in the PEC # 32 of that election constituency and upon attaching the copy of the voting results protocol of the PEC # 30 of Sabail Con.EC # 29 to the complaint, requested to annul the results of the elections to Bibi-Heybat municipality.

The appeal was adopted for the implementation in comply with Articles 112 and 112-1 of the Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan (Election Code) 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.

The candidates indicated in their appeal that the candidates who gained the less votes were elected municipality members though they gained higher votes than them on the voting day.

The period of investigating the appeal during the investigation process was extended for 3 days by the CEC Decision No 25/139, dated 29 December 2019.

It was determined during the investigation of the final voting results protocols of the PECs # 30 and 32 onBibi-heybat municipality of Sabail Con.EC # 29that those protocols were compiled in accordance with the requirements of the election legislation.

During the investigation legal grounds were not found out to implement the complaint.

Pursuant to 19.4, 28.2, 112, 112-1 of Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan and items 1, 2, 4, 6, 7 and 8 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 # 31 submitted to CEC on December 27, 2019 by Hasanova Samaya Khanahmad and other registered candidates on Bibi-heybat municipality of Sabail Con.EC # 29 in the Municipal Elections on December 23, 2019 shall not be implemented due to groundlessness.
- 2. The decision shall be enforced upon its publication.

CEC Chairman

MazahirPanahov

**CEC Secretary** 

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