## DECISION

of Central Election Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan on the text, format, number and rule for the preparation rules of ballot papers in the early Presidential Elections of the Republic of Azerbaijan appointed to February 7, 2024

Pursuant to Articles 99.1-99.4 and 199 of Election Code (hereinafter referred to as - the Election Code) of the Republic of Azerbaijan rules for preparation, text and format, number of ballot papers, requirements of preparing them shall be approved at latest 35 days prior to the voting day by decision of the Central Election Commission (hereinafter referred to as - CEC) and prepared in relevant case under the observation of CEC representatives at least 10 days prior to the voting day providing that the number of the registered voters do not exceed 3%.

Related with ballot papers to be used in the early Presidential Elections of the Republic of Azerbaijan appointed to February 7, 2024, the above-mentioned rules and terms shall be taken as a basis, the upper left corners of these ballot papers which are cut and numbered one-by one and successively on relevant constituencies shall be numbered, on the right of the information about candidates, an empty square, above the comment on the rules for filling, on the upper right corner place of stamp and on the below left corner cut line shall be located, the information indicating each registered candidate's surname, name, patronymic, date of birth, main place of working or service (if not any, then type of activity), name of the entities which nominated them, short name and symbol of the political party to which registered candidate nominated by political parties (blocs of political parties) belongs, party affiliation on the request of the registered candidate himself nominated on his/her won initiative or directly by voters initiative groups shall be included.

Taking the above-mentioned as basis, pursuant to Articles 19.4, 19.14, 25.2.6, 25.2.11, 28.2, 28.4, 99 and 199 of Election Code, CEC **d e c i d e s :** 

1. The format and text of ballot papers, of having empty squares on the right to the information of the candidates, on the upper side having comment on

its completion, on the upper right corner having place of stamp, on down left corner having cut line, as well as, indicating each registered candidate's surname, name, patronymic, date of birth, main place of working or service (if not any, then type of activity), name of the entities which nominated them, short name and symbol of the political party to which registered candidate nominated by political parties (blocs of political parties) belongs, party affiliation on the request of the registered candidate himself nominated on his/her won initiative or directly by voters initiative groups related to the early Presidential Elections of the Republic of Azerbaijan, appointed to February 7, 2024.

2. In total, 6524203 (six million five hundred twenty four thousand two hundred three) ballot papers shall be prepared at the printing office of the Apparatus of Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan under the observation of 3 members of CEC based on CEC representation and the number of these ballot papers shall not exceed 3% of the total number of voters registered on the country.

3. CEC Secretariat and printing office of the Apparatus of Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan shall be in their competence commissioned with the execution of the decision.

4. The decision shall be enforced since the day of its publication.

**CEC** Chairman

Mazahir Panahov

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