DECISION

of the Central Election Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan on the compile, publication and publicize of a book on the history of elections in Azerbaijan

Along with demonstrating loyalty to national and state interests after passing through its own development in different historical periods, Azerbaijan possessing a rich culture, traditions and statehood experience has been successive and firm in building a democratic and tolerant society, thereby forming a prosperous historical tradition of management basing on universal values such as fairness, human rights, international norms and principles. Staying in the line with many developed countries in the process of taking the people's will as an advantage in forming and managing a government, the country has passed this civilized way successfully. Electoral institute of great importance to determine this will and its traditions of development has contributed to the history of the country.

The works undertaken with the aim of reinforcement of the election culture, propagation of the election right in the country were successful and intense after passing to a new stage upon restoring independence. Starting from that period, the conduct of elections and referendum in open atmosphere, followed by a large-scale educational activities, immediate and thorough publicize of all the information regarding them, miscellaneous activity implemented in turning election (referendum) actions into a tradition were very effective to raise awareness of the election stakeholders, in general, the civil society groups. By publicizing all the information related with elections and referendum in the website, "News" magazine and mass media timely and efficiently as an integral part of the above-mentioned activity, the Central Election Commission considers effective and advisable to inform the community about the investigation of the election history in Azerbaijan and elections and referendum held in different periods. To this end, broad investigation works have been carried out to collect the materials on the election history in Azerbaijan and many documentation and other materials have been made available under the cooperation with the relevant bodies and subjects. The Editorial Board and Editorial Staff of the "News" magazine of the Central Election Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan shall be commissioned with the compilation and publication of a book on the election history in Azerbaijan which contains rich election history of the country, development traditions of the election institute and legislative framework. After the works have been finalised, the reimbursement of the necessary expenditures of the publication shall be paid by the accounts allocated to the Central Election Commission for the activities and other purposes (by implementing in compliance with the legislation), the edition number shall be determined accordingly and the electronic version of the book shall be posted on the official website of the Central Election Commission. Since the volume of the investigation materials is large, the Editorial Staff shall consider the issue to attach some materials (records, document samples, the list of the elected municipality members in the Municipal elections held after regaining independence) to the book and electronic version.

Basing on the above-mentioned and pursuant to Articles 19.4, 19.10 and 19.14 of Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan, the Central Election Commission (CEC) of the Republic of Azerbaijan **decides**:

1. The Editorial Board and Editorial Staff of the "News" magazine of the Central Election Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan shall be commissioned with the compilation and publication of a book on the election history in Azerbaijan.

- 2. After the works on materials have been completed, the book shall be compiled thoroughly and published in line with modern standards and requirements.
- 3. The issue on attaching some materials (records, document samples, the list of the elected municipality members in the Municipal elections held after regaining independence) to the book shall be settled and its electronic version shall be posted on the official website of the Central Election Commission.
- 4. The publication of the book shall be reimbursed by the account allocated to the Central Election Commission for the activities and other purposes (by implementing in comply with the legislation) and the edition number shall be determined accordingly.

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