

**DECISION**

**OF THE CENTRAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
OF THE REPUBLIC OF AZERBAIJAN  
ON THE APPROVAL OF “INSTRUCTION ON  
PARTICIPATION OF STATELESS PERSONS  
AND FOREIGNERS IN ELECTIONS  
(REFERENDUM)”**

It became necessary to improve many legal acts adopted by the Central Election Commission regarding the preparation and conduct of elections (referendum) and the application of the Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan caused from the necessity of improving the legislation of the Republic of Azerbaijan from time to time and regulating election (referendum) relations more completely.

Therefore, assuming as a basis the new requirements (structural principles, publications and so on) on normative acts of the Constitutional Law dated 21 December 2010 of the Republic of Azerbaijan “On Normative-legal acts” and the necessity of regulating the relations coordinated by relevant legal acts in force more perfectly, the enforced act regulating the same relations shall be invalidated by adopting new “Instruction on participation of stateless persons and foreigners in elections (referendum)” and relevant activities concerning the enforcement and official publication of the adopted act shall be undertaken by the Central Election Commission within its competence within the period and in manner defined by law.

Adopting the above-mentioned as a basis and in accordance with Articles 78.2 and 78.3 of the Constitutional Law of the Republic of Azerbaijan “On normative-legal acts” and 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 participation of stateless persons and foreigners in elections (referendum)” shall be approved (attached).

2. Since the enforcement of this Instruction, the “Instruction on participation of stateless persons with permanent residence in Presidential elections in the Republic of Azerbaijan” approved by CEC Decision # 4/26 dated 27 June 2003, the “Instruction on participation of stateless persons with permanent residence in elections to the Milli Majlis in the Republic of Azerbaijan” approved by CEC Decision # 18/72 dated 24 July 2005, the “Instruction on participation of stateless persons with permanent residence and foreigners in Municipal elections in the Republic of Azerbaijan” approved by CEC Decision # 30/117 dated 24 June 2006, the “Instruction on participation of stateless persons with permanent residence in referendum in the Republic of Azerbaijan” approved by CEC Decision # 1/4-2 dated 8 January 2009, shall be invalidated.

3. Within its competence, CEC shall ensure the implementation of the activities implied by legislation on the official publication and enforcement of the Instruction indicated in item 1 of the Decision.

CEC Chairman

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