

DECISION
of Central Election Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan
on the establishment of lottery commission for the distribution of free airtime,
determination of the lottery date and publication of airtime schedule in the
Presidential Elections of the Republic of Azerbaijan on October 9, 2013

The registration of the candidates has been ended in the Presidential elections to be held on 9 October 2013. Pursuant to Article 75.2 of the Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan, pre-election campaign shall start 23 days prior to the voting day, i.e. since September 16, 2013. Candidates for presidency shall have the rights to be allocated free airtime on the channels of public TV and radio broadcasting company in comply with Article 80.1 of the Code. Public TV and Radio Broadcasting Company has allocated free airtime 2 times more (6 hours in a week) than the volume implied by Article 80.5 of the Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan (at least 3 hours in a week). Within the opportunities of the company that has provided airtime, it was agreed between Central Election Commission and this company on providing the users with the airtime within totally, 3 hours weekly – every time for an hour on radio by starting from 21.00 on I, III and V days of the week and within 3 hours weekly – every time for an hour on TV by starting from 19.00 on TV on the II, IV and VI days of the week in accordance with the format of round table. Lottery commission shall be established for the distribution of the allocated airtime among the persons entitled to use the airtime in a manner defined by law, date and time of the lottery shall be determined and by registering the lottery results officially in a protocol, the airtime schedule shall be published in a manner defined by Article 80.7 of the Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

Lottery shall be held for the distribution of free airtime among the persons implied by Articles 74.1.3 and 74.1.6 of the Code on the basis of equal terms and volume within a week after ending the period mentioned in Article 75 of the Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan in comply with Articles 80.4 and 80.6 of the Code.

Pursuant to Article 80.7 of the Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan, lottery shall be held with the participation of the representatives of relevant election commissions, TV and radio broadcasting companies, as well as, by considering the participation right of registered candidates, their authorized representatives and agents, the agents of political parties and blocs of political parties, domestic and international observers and publishing the information on the place and date of the lottery officially. The lottery results shall be registered officially in a protocol and the airtime schedule shall be published in periodicals implied by Article 77.2 of the Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

Adopting the above-mentioned as a basis and pursuant to Articles 19.4, 19.14, 28.2, 28.4, 74, 75, 80.1 and 80.4-80.7 of the Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan, CEC **decides:**

1. With the aim of distributing free airtime allocated by Public TV and Radio Broadcasting Company in the Presidential elections on October 9, 2013, the lottery commission shall be established as follows:

Azer Taghiyev – Member of Central Election Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Fuad Javadov – Member of Central Election Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Almaz Gahramanli – Member of Central Election Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Azer Sariyev – Head of Media and public relations department of Secretariat of Central Election Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan

2. Lottery shall be conducted at 12.00 on September 16, 2013.

3. Lottery commission shall ensure the distribution of airtime by lottery (within totally, 3 hours weekly – every time for an hour on radio by starting from 21.00 on I, III and V days of the week and within 3 hours weekly – every time for an hour on radio by starting from 19.00 on TV on the VI days of the week).

4. Lottery results shall be registered officially in a protocol and the airtime schedule shall be published in a manner defined by Article 80.7 of the Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

5. Administration of Public TV and Radio Broadcasting Company shall be empowered with qualified and timely deliverance of the allocated airtime to users.

6. Decision shall be enforced upon its publications.

CEC Chairman

Mazahir Panahov

CEC Secretary

Arifa Mukhtarova

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