

## DECISION

### of Central Election Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan

#### on the text, form, number and rule for the preparation of ballot papers in the nationwide voting (referendum) on September 26, 2016

Pursuant to Articles 99.1-99.4, 99.6 and 134 of Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan demands on preparation, text and form, number of ballot papers shall be approved at latest 35 days prior to the voting day by decision of the Central Election Commission and prepared in relevant manner 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 referendum, 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, text and form of the ballot papers compiled based on the draft of the referendum act, which contains empty squares with variants of a voter's answer ("yes" and "no") on the right of each part, a comment on the rule for completing on the upper side, a place of stamp on the upper right corner and cut line on the lower right corner shall be approved and not exceeding 3 % of the number of total registered voters on the country, printed at the press of the Apparatus of the Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan under the observation of 3 members of CEC based on CEC representation. 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 134 of Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan, CEC **decides**:

1. The form and text of ballot papers, compiled based on the draft of the referendum act, which contains empty squares with variants of a voter's answer ("yes" and "no") on the right of each part, a comment on the rule for completing on the upper side, a place of stamp on the upper right corner and cut line on the lower right corner shall be approved regarding the nationwide voting (referendum) on September 26, 2016.
2. In total, 5 280 924 (five million two hundred and eighty thousand nine hundred and twenty four) ballot papers shall be prepared at the press of the Apparatus of the Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan under the observation of 3 members of CEC based on CEC representation.
3. CEC Secretariat and Press of the Milli Majlis Apparatus of the Republic of Azerbaijan shall be commissioned with the execution of the decision within their competencies.
4. The decision shall be enforced upon its publication.

CEC Chairman

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