DECISION

of the Central Election Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan on consideration of the appeal # 13 submitted to the Central Election Commission on August 7, 2024 in the early Elections to the Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan on September 1, 2024

In her written apply addressed to the Central Election Commission (hereinafter – Central Election Commission) on August 7, 2024, Shukurova Ulviyya Mammad, self-nominee to deputy on Nizami first Con.EC # 24 in the early Elections to the Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan appointed to September 1, 2024 challenged the decision #20/64, dated August 6, 2024 of Con.EC on refusal to register her candidacy and was requested to cancel that decision and make a decision to register the candidacy.

The appeal was adopted for the implementation in comply with Articles 112 and 112-1 of the Election Code (hereinafter – Election Code) of the Republic of Azerbaijan and "Instruction on the rules for filing appeals and complaints to the Central Election Commission and Constituency Election Commissions of the Republic of Azerbaijan and their consideration", was reviewed by a member of the Expert Group under CEC.

The applicant was contacted in connection with the investigation, was told to participate in the investigation and the session, and was told that she had other rights, and that her participation in the session was ensured.

The candidate U.M. Shukurova stated in her complaint that she submitted the signature sheets and other election documents attached to the election commission to Nizami first Con.EC #24, and her registration as a candidate was refused due to the fact that the candidate did not provide correct information about the amount and source of income.

The constituency election commission justified its decision to refuse the registration of the candidate with the fact that the information about the amount and source of the candidate's income are not correctly indicated in the relevant election document

The documents for registration of candidacy by candidate U.M. Shukurova related to research by requesting submitted from the constituency election commission to the Working Group operating under the Central Election Commission for verification. From the opinion of the Working Group dated August 7, 2024, it is known that although the candidate U.M Shukurova submitted the reference about total annual income for the period from July 1, 2023 to July 1, 2024 to the constituency election commission from both workplaces in accordance with Article 58.3 of the Election Code, there was no mention of this in "The amount of the candidate's income and sources of information" form.

Since information on the candidate's required annual income had been officially submitted, the failure of indicating the information in the relevant election document cannot be adopted as a basis for refusal of registration.

Thus, the application shall be implemented, decision #20/64 dated August 6, 2024 of the constituency election commission of Nizami first Con.EC #24 on refusal to register

U.M. Shukurova as a candidate shall be annulled and there have been created a legal basis to register her candidacy.

Taking the above mentioned as a basis pursuant to 19.4, 28.2, 58, 59, 60, 112, 112-1 and 148-1 of Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan and item # 1, 2, 4, 6 and 7 of the "Instruction on the rules for filing appeals and complaints to the Central Election Commission and Constituency Election Commissions of the Republic of Azerbaijan and their consideration" the Central Election Commission **decides**:

- 1. The appeal # 13 submitted August 7, 2024 by Shukurova Ulviyya Mammad, self-nominee to deputy on Nizami first Con.EC # 24 in the early Elections to the Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan, appointed to September 1, 2024 shall be implemented, and the decision # 20/64, dated August 6, 2024 shall be annulled.
- 2. Shukurova Ulviyya Mammad nominated on her own initiative to the deputy on Nizami first Con.EC #24 shall be registered as a candidate.
- 3. The decision shall be enforced upon its publication.

CEC Chairman Mazahir Panahov

CEC Secretary Arifa Mukhtarova

CEC Secretary Mikayil Rahimov