

## **DECISION**

### **of the Central Election Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan on making amendments to the “Instruction on the rules for the establishment of voters’ initiative groups, nomination of candidates on their own initiatives or by voters’ initiative groups in Municipal Elections”**

The Central Election Commission needed to improve many legal acts adopted in concern with the application of the Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan and preparation and conduct of elections (referendum) rooted from the necessity of periodically improving the legislation of the Republic of Azerbaijan and regulating the election (referendum) relations entirely.

In this regard, the structural units of the Instruction “on the rules for the establishment of voters’ initiative groups, nomination of candidates on their own initiatives or by voters’ initiative groups in Municipal Elections” shall be made relevant amendments and the appendices # 1, 2, 3, 4 made to the instruction shall be approved in a new edition in comply with Article 30 of the Constitutional Law of the Republic of Azerbaijan, dated December 21, 2010.

Along with these, CEC within its competence shall ensure the implementation of the activities implied by the legislation on the official publication and enforcement of these amendments.

By assuming the above-mentioned as a basis and according to Articles 75.2, 78.2 and 78.3 of the Constitutional Law “On normative acts” of the Republic of Azerbaijan, 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 the rules for the establishment of voters’ initiative groups, nomination of candidates on their own initiatives or by voters’ initiative groups in Municipal Elections” approved by CEC decision 28/106 dated June 7, 2006 shall be made the following amendments:

1.1. Item # 1 of the Instruction shall be considered a preamble:

1.2. The words “1. General provisions” and item # 1.2. in the following edit shall be added followed by the preamble:

“1.2. The citizens having passive voting right and who meet the requirements of article 212 of the Election Code are eligible to be nominated to the membership of municipality on their own initiatives or as well as, by voters’ initiative groups.”

1.3. Second part followed by the item # 1.2 shall be added a heading on “the rules for the establishment of voters’ initiative groups and nomination of candidates to municipality membership” and this part shall be appropriately numbered in a manner defined by legislation;

1.4. Items # 3.3 and 4.2 shall be edited as follows:

