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# LAW AMENDING THE ELECTION LAW OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

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[NOTE: The Election Law of Bosnia and Herzegovina was published in the “Official Gazette of Bosnia and Herzegovina”, 23/01.](#)

Pursuant to Article IV.4a) of the Constitution of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Parliamentary Assembly of Bosnia and Herzegovina, at the 9<sup>th</sup> joint session of the House of Representatives and the House of Peoples, held on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2008, enacted the following

## **LAW AMENDING THE ELECTION LAW OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA**

### **Article 1**

In the Election Law of Bosnia and Herzegovina (“Official Gazette of Bosnia and Herzegovina” nos. 23/01, 7/02, 9/02, 20/02, 25/02, 4/04, 20/04, 25/05, 52/05, 65/05, 77/05, 11/06, 37/02, 32/07 and 33/08) Article 20.9 shall be amended to read as follows:

### **“Article 20.9**

"(1) Exceptionally, for the 2008 Municipal Elections, all persons who have the right to vote and who had their permanent place of residence in the Municipality of Srebrenica according to the last census conducted in Bosnia and Herzegovina, shall have the right to register to vote in person or absentee for the Municipality of Srebrenica, regardless of whether they have the status of refugee or displaced person and regardless of whether they have established permanent residence outside the Municipality of Srebrenica.

(2) The persons referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall have the right to choose to vote for the municipality in which they currently reside or for the Municipality of Srebrenica.

(3) The Central Election Commission of Bosnia and Herzegovina shall further regulate the procedure of registration of persons referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article.

### **Article 2**

In Article 1.1a, paragraph (8), the words: “National Minority Member is a national of Bosnia and Herzegovina”, shall be replaced with the words: “National Minority Member shall mean a national of Bosnia and Herzegovina”.

In the same Article, paragraph (9), the words: “Displaced person is a national of Bosnia and Herzegovina”, shall be replaced with the words: “Displaced person shall mean a national of Bosnia and Herzegovina”

### **Article 3**

In Article 4. 3, after the word: “evidence”, the words: “not older than 60 days” shall be added, whereas in the third sentence the word: “request” shall be replaced with the word “application”.

(Note: Article 3 provides, *inter alia*, an amendment to the term equivalent to the local language word “request” in Article 4.3. of the Law, which amendment is to be reflected in the local language version only, while the English version remains unchanged “application”).

### **Article 4**

This Law shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the “Official Gazette of Bosnia and Herzegovina”.

Parliamentary Assembly no. 186/08  
Sarajevo, 7 May 2008

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the House of Representatives  
of the Parliamentary Assembly of BIH  
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