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LAW ON AMENDMENTS TO THE LAW ON PARTY FINANCING

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Pursuant to Article IV 4 a) of the Constitution of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Parliamentary Assembly of Bosnia and Herzegovina, at the 77th session of the House of Representatives, held on 12th May 2010, and at the 47th session of the House of Peoples, held on 24th June 2010, has adopted the

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ON AMENDMENTS TO THE LAW ON PARTY FINANCING

Article 1

In the Law on Part Financing ("Official Gazette of BiH", nos. 22/00 and 102/09), in Article 2, paragraph 2 shall be deleted.

Article 2

In Article 3, in paragraph 1, after the word "funds", the word "only" shall be added.

In subparagraph d), after the word "laws" in the end of text, the words: "as well as from Brčko District of Bosnia and Herzegovina;" shall be added.

In subparagraph e) words "income of the" shall be deleted.

Article 3

In Article 5, paragraph 1 shall be amended to read:

"1. The total amount of all contributions of one natural person in a calendar year may not exceed eight average net salaries, and the total amount of all contributions of one legal person in a calendar year may not exceed 15 average net salaries. The average net salary is implied to be the average net salary from the previous year, according to the official information by the Bosnia and Herzegovina Agency for Statistics."

Current paragraphs 2 and 3 shall be deleted.

Article 4

In Article 6, new paragraph 1 shall be added to read:

"1. Political parties shall be bound to keep the records on all contributions made by the natural and legal persons, and issue receipts to the natural and legal persons they received contributions from."

In current paragraph 1 that becomes paragraph 2, after the number "4." and number "11." words: "of this Law" shall be added.

Article 5

In Article 7, in the title of the Article the words: "given to the members" shall be replaced with word "of the members".

In the same Article, after the number "6." the words: "of this Law" shall be added.

Article 6

In Article 8, after the words: "cantonal bodies" the words: "bodies of Brčko District of BiH," shall be added, after the words: "humanitarian organizations" the words: "anonymous donors," shall be added, words: "businesses which by virtue of their activity are exclusively intended and directed for non-profit" shall be deleted, words: "economic associations" shall be replaced with words: "legal persons,", after the word "public" the word "capital" shall be added.

Article 7

In Article 12, words: "Election Commission of Bosnia and Herzegovina" shall be replaced with words: "Central Election Commission of Bosnia and Herzegovina" (hereinafter: Central Election Commission of BiH) in corresponding grammatical case.

In paragraph 1, word "Every" shall be deleted, the word "appoint" shall be replaced with words: "shall have obligation to appoint", words: "filing reports and record-keeping" shall be replaced with words: "for business record-keeping for political parties, filing financial reports".

In paragraph 2 words: "three (3) days" shall be replaced with words: "15 days" and after the word "inform" the words: "Central Election Commission of BiH" shall be added.

Article 8

In Article 13 words: "Election Commission of Bosnia and Herzegovina" shall be replaced with words: "Central Election Commission of BiH" in corresponding grammatical case.

In paragraph 2, word "this" [translator's remark: word in the end of the paragraph] shall be deleted.

In Paragraph 3, the words: "shall seek to achieve voluntary compliance with the political party determined to be in violation" were replaced with the words: "found to have violated the provisions of this Law removes voluntarily the observed deficiencies, insofar as they are removable".

Article 9

In Article 14 words: "Election Commission of Bosnia and Herzegovina" shall be replaced with words: "Central Election Commission of BiH" in corresponding grammatical case.

In Paragraph (1), the words: "financial work" were replaced with the words: "political party financing (hereinafter referred to as: the Auditing Office)", and after the word: "parties" were added the words: "and perform audits of political party financing as provided by this Law".

In Paragraph (2), after the word: "District" were added the words: "of Bosnia and Herzegovina".

Article 10

In the title of Article 15 and in the same Article the words: "Election Commission" shall be replaced with words: "Central Election Commission of BiH" in corresponding grammatical case.

In paragraph 1, the first sentence: "Any irregularities found by the Audit Office shall be submitted to the Election Commission of Bosnia and Herzegovina" shall be amended to read: "The Audit Service shall notify the Central Election Commission of BiH on all irregularities and violations of the provisions of this Law."

Article 11

Article 18 shall be deleted.

Article 12

Article 19 shall be deleted.

Article 13

In Article 20, paragraph 1 shall be amended to read: "Political party shall be obliged to submit, no later than 90 days after this Law comes into effect, data about their assets, categorized by amount, kind and source to the Audit Office."

After paragraph 1, new paragraph 2 shall be added to read:

"2. In case of any change concerning the property, political parties shall be obliged to notify the Central Election Commission of BiH within 15 days about such change".

Article 14

Article 21 shall be deleted.

Article 15

After Article 21 that is deleted by these amendments, new Article 21a shall be added to read:

"Article 21a

The constitutional law commissions of the both houses of the Parliamentary Assembly of Bosnia and Herzegovina are hereby authorized to determine, within 30 days from entry into force of this Law, the consolidated text of the Law on Party Financing."

Article 16 (Promulgation and entry into force)

This Law shall enter into force on the eighth day from the day of its publishing in the "Official Gazette of Bosnia and Herzegovina", and shall be also published in the entity and Brčko District of Bosnia and Herzegovina official gazettes.

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