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AMENDMENTS I-XIII TO THE CONSTITUTION OF SARAJEVO CANTON

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On the grounds of article 18, paragraph 1, point a, and article 42, of the Constitution of Sarajevo Canton ("Official Gazette of Sarajevo Canton" No. 1/96, 2/96 - correction, and 3/96-correction) and articles 161. and 162. of the Bylaws of the Sarajevo Canton Assembly ("Official Gazette of Sarajevo Canton" No. 7/96, 10/96, and 6/97) the Assembly of the Sarajevo Canton, on its session held on September 4, 1997, passed the:

AMENDMENTS I - XIII TO THE SARAJEVO CANTON CONSTITUTION

AMENDMENT I

After article 4, added is the new article 4.a. to read as follows:

"In the Sarajevo Canton, the Municipalities Center, Novi Grad, Novo Sarajevo and Stari Grad comprise the City of Sarajevo (hereinafter referred to as: the City, as an unit of local selfmanagement.

The competence and internal organization of the City is defined by the Statute of the City.

The Statute of the City also defines the issues of critical national interest.

AMENDMENT II

After Article 4.a. inserted is a new article 4.b. as follows:

"The City has a City Council comprised of 24 councilors.

Each municipal council of the municipalities that form the City shall appoint 7 delegates to the City Council from among the Municipal Councilors.

The Bosniaks, Croats and the Others shall each be guaranteed the minimum of 20% of seats in the City Council, regardless of the election results.

If the minimal guarantied number of delegates may not be insured from among the municipal councilors, the delegates may be appointed from the lists of the political parties which participate in municipal councils, on the basis of election results."

AMENDMENT III

In article 18, under (j), the word "municipality' has been replaced with the words "Municipality, City".

AMENDMENT IV

After the Article 18, added is a new article 18.a as follows: "The Chairman and his Deputy. The Assembly elects the Chairman and his Deputy from among the appointed delegates. The Chairman and his Deputy shall not be from the same Constitutional nation".

Paragraph 1.of Article 19 is deleted.

AMENDMENT V

In article 23. after the Paragraph 1 added is a new paragraph 2. to read as follows: "There will be fair and appropriate representation of all nations who live within the Canton in all levels of Cantonal Executive authorities".

AMENDMENT VI

Article 26. is changed as follows:

"Vice president of the Canton:

The Assembly shall elect a Vice President of the Canton. The Vice President of the Canton is appointed for a period of two years and can not be elected more than two times in a row to that positions.

The Vice President of the Canton performs all duties as determined by the President of the Canton, as well as other duties as determined by separate cantonal legislation.

The Vice President and the President of the Canton may not be of the same constitutive nationality.

AMENDMENT VII

At the end of article 29, under (f) added are the words "and the City".

AMENDMENT VIII

After article 29, added is a new article 29.a. as follows:

"Minister and Deputy Minister of Internal Affairs and the Minister and Deputy Minister of Housing Policy shall not be appointed from among the same constitutive nation.

The Ministers and Deputy Ministers from the previous paragraph shall be liable to consult each other and work closely together in reaching any important decision".

AMENDMENT IX

In article 31, in the first sentence, the word "vice-presidents' is replaced by "vicepresident'.

AMENDMENT X

In article 32, after paragraph 2 added is a new paragraph 3 to read:

"There will be a fair and appropriate representation of all nations that live in the Canton on all levels of Cantonal Judicial system".

AMENDMENT XI

In article 37, after paragraph 1. added is a new paragraph 2 to read as follows: "In the level of the municipalities within the Sarajevo Canton, one representative of the second most numerous group of people shall be the chairmen of the Municipal Council under the condition that the group makes at least 10% of the total population of the Municipality". Paragraphs 2. and 3. of article 37. become paragraphs 3. and 4.

AMENDMENT XII

In article 38, the last paragraph is changed to read:

"The work of the Canton, City and the municipalities is financed from the budget adopted by the Cantonal Assembly, City Council, and municipal councils, separately each, in accordance with the Cantonal and Federal legislation".

AMENDMENT XIII

In articles 42. after paragraph 3. added is the new paragraph 4, to read as follows:

"Provision of the Amendment I to this Constitution may not be changed without previously obtained agreement of the representatives of the federal partners and the parties represented in the Cantonal Assembly".

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Sarajevo, September 4, 1997

Chairman of Sarajevo Canton Assembly Mirsad Keho