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GEORGIA

AMENDMENTS TO THE ELECTORAL CODE AND TO THE LAW ON POLITICAL ASSOCIATIONS OF CITIZENS AS ADOPTED BY THE GEORGIAN PARLIAMENT ON 4 APRIL 2024, WHICH ABOLISH GENDER QUOTAS

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Organic Law of Georgia

On Amending the Organic Law of Georgia "Election Code of Georgia"

Article 1. The Organic Law of Georgia "Election Code of Georgia" (Legislative Herald of Georgia (<u>www.matsne.gov.ge</u>), 10.01.2012, registration code: 010190020.04.001.016032) shall be amended as follows:

- 1. Article 115
- a) Paragraph 3 shall be formulated as follows:

"3. The number of candidates of Member of Parliament of Georgia in a submitted list shall not be less than 30 and more than 200.";

b) Paragraph 6 shall be formulated as follows:

"6. The procedure for compiling party lists shall be defined by a party.".

2. Paragraph 5 of Article 143 shall be formulated as follows:

"5. The procedure for compiling party lists shall be defined by a party. When compiling a party list, it shall be considered that the mandates obtained by a party based on the election results shall be distributed in succession, in order, starting from the top of the list.".

3. Article 203 shall be removed.

Article 2. This law shall come into force upon publication.

President of Georgia

Salome Zourabichvili

Tbilisi, April ... 2024

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Organic Law of Georgia

On Amending the Organic Law of Georgia "On Political Associations of Citizens"

Article 1. Article 39¹ of the Organic Law of Georgia "On Political Associations of Citizens" (entities of the Parliament, №45, 21.11.1997, p. 76) shall be deleted.

Article 2. If, before this law came into force, a political party had not received the amount of funds in the form of financing from the state budget of Georgia that it should have received based on the results of the 2020 elections of the Parliament of Georgia in accordance with the Article 39¹ of the Organic Law of Georgia "On Political Associations of Citizens" that was valid before this law came into force, this political party shall receive the mentioned amount of funds in accordance with the rule that existed before this law came into force.

Article 3. This law shall come into force next day after the Parliament, elected as a result of the 2024 elections of the Parliament of Georgia, acquires full powers.

President of Georgia

Salome Zourabichvili

Tbilisi, April … 2024