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\mathbf{i} **AMENDMENTS LIV - LXV TO THE CONSTITUTION OF REPUBLIKA SRPSKA**

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PROPOSAL

THE REPUBLIC OF SRPSKA THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY THE COMMISSION FOR CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES

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AMENDMENTS LIV-LXV

TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE REPUBLIC OF SRPSKA

These amendments are the constituent part of the Constitution of the Republika Srpska and they come into force on the they of their issuing.

AMENDMENT LIV

1. In the Preamble of the Constitution the third and fourth line are being replaced with the new lines which read:

"expressing the decisiveness of the Serbian people to create their democratic state based on the social justice, prevailing of law, respect of human dignity, freedom and equality;

in the wish to provide the general welfare and economic development by way of the protection of private property and enhancement of the market economy;

taking into account the natural and democratic right, the will and decisiveness of the Serbian people of the Republika Srpska to connect their state closely and in all aspects with other states of the Serbian people"

AMENDMENT LV

1. The Agreement on the change of the border between the Republika Srpska and the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina can be taken out for the confirmation by way of a referendum in the Republic.

2. Amendment XXVIII is being replaced by this amendment and amendment XLV to the Constitution is being amended.

AMENDMENT LVI

1. All state functions and competences belong to the Republic except those which were by the Constitution of Bosnia and Herzegovina explicitly transferred to its institutions.

2. The Republic may, according to the Constitution of Bosnia and Herzegovina, establish special parallel relations with the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and its member republics.

3. Amendment XLVI to the Constitution is being replaced by this amendment.

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AMENDMENT LVII

- 1. In the case that there are differences in the provisions on rights and freedoms between the Constitution of Republika Srpska and the Constitution of Bosnia and Herzegovina, those provisions which are favorable for the citizen should be applied.
- 2. Provisions of the Articles 10, 21,30,32,33,34,38 and 43 of the Constitution on rights and freedoms of the citizens are treated as the provisions on human rights and basic freedoms and are referring to all, and not only to the citizens.
- 3. Provisions of the Articles 13, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 28 and 30 of the Constitution on rights and freedoms are going to be exercised according to respectable provisions of the Articles 8 to 11 of the European Convention and protection of human rights and basic freedoms.
- 4. In the Article 22 of the Constitution words " and Yugoslavia " are repealed.
- 5. Voter's right on the basi s of the Article 29 is acquired after resident in a certain place for a period of time which is determined by the Law.
- 6. Paragraph 3 of the Article 34 of the Constitution is repealed.
- 7. Article 47 of the Constitution is repealed.
- 8. Paragraph 2 of the Article 48 is repealed.
- 9. Chapter of the Constitution on human rights and basic freedoms is amended by the points 1 to 3, and in the points 4 to 8 provisions of the Constitution enumerated in these points are being put out of force, changed or amended.

AMENDMENT LVIII

- 1. In a sub-point 1) of the Amendment XXXII words :"sovereignty, independence " are changed by words " integrity, constitutional order".
- 2. In a sub point 6) of the same Amendment after the words : " economic relations with foreign countries" words : " which have not been transferred to the institutions of Bosnia and Herzegovina" are added.
- 3. In a sub-point of the same Amendment words "monetary", "foreign currency" and "customs" are repealed.
- 4. In a sub-point 15) of the same Amendment words : " except one which has been transferred to the institution of Bosnia and Herzegovina " are added.
- 5. Amendment XLIX has been putted out of force by this Amendment, and the provisions of the Amendment XXXII on the Constitution have been changed or amended.

AMENDMENT LIX

1. National Assembly

1. elects delegates from the Republic to the Peoples Council of Parliamentary Assembly of Bosnia and Herzegovina,

2. ratifies agreements concluded by the Republic with states and international organizations with the consent of Parliamentary Assembly of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

2. This Amendment amends Article 70. of the Constitution and substitutes Amendment XXXIV to the Constitution.

AMENDMENT LX

1. The President of the Republic can, after being informed on the opinion of the Prime Minister and President of the National Assembly, decide on dissolution of the National Assembly.

2. In paragraph 4, Point 1. of the Amendment XXXIX the words "or would be dissolved" are to be added after the words "shorten its term of office".

3. This Amendment amends Amendment XXXIX to the Constitution.

AMENDMENT LXI

1. In Point 1. of the Amendment XXXV the words "decides on war and peace" are to be deleted.

2. This Amendment substitutes the Amendment XXXV to the Constitution.

AMENDMENT LXII

1. In Point 1. the words "diplomatic, consular and other" are to be deleted.

2. This Amendment substitutes the Amendment XLI to the Constitution.

AMENDMENT LXIII

1. In paragraph 1. of Article 104. of the Constitution, the words " sovereignty" and "independence" are to be deleted.

2. This Amendment substitutes Article 104. of the Constitution.

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AMENDMENT LXIV

1. In paragraph 1. of Article 119. the words "on the territory of the Republic" are to be added after the word "executive".

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2. This Amendment amends Article 119. of the Constitution.

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AMENDMENT LXV

1. In Amendment LI the words "temporarily until the decision of the Constitutional Court of Bosnia and Herzegovina in cases when uneliminable detrimental consequences may occur" are to be added after the word "Republic organs".

2. This Amendment amends the Amendment LI to the Constitution.