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REPUBLIC OF AZERBAÏJAN

**DRAFT CONSTITUTIONAL LAW
ON SAFEGUARDS FOR THE VOTE OF CONFIDENCE
TO THE CABINET OF MINISTERS
BY THE MILLI MELJIS (PARLIAMENT)**

**Draft Constitutional Law of the Republic of Azerbaijan
On Additional Guarantees to the Milli Mejlis (Parliament) of the Republic of Azerbaijan
Right to Decide on Question of Confidence to the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of
Azerbaijan**

(amended text is underlined)

The present Constitutional Law is aimed at creation of additional guarantees for the implementation of the right of the Milli Mejlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan to decide on question of confidence to the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Azerbaijan, provided for by the item 14, Paragraph 1, Article 95 of the Constitution of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

Article 1. Report of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the Milli Mejlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Azerbaijan shall report on its activities at the fifth sitting of the spring session of the Milli Mejlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan each year.

Article 2. Request from the Milli Mejlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Azerbaijan

2.1. Milli Mejlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan might file a request within its competences to the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

2.2. The reply to the request of the Milli Mejlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan shall be presented by authorised representative of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Azerbaijan at the sitting of the Milli Mejlis within 1 month.

Article 3. Requests from deputies of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the members of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Upon consent of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Azerbaijan members of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Azerbaijan shall be present at the sittings of the Milli Mejlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan to reply to the oral or written requests of the deputies of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

Article 4. Limitation on the right of the Milli Mejlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan to decide on question of confidence to the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Azerbaijan

4.1. The question of vote of confidence to the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Azerbaijan by the Milli Mejlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan might not be introduced for discussions less than 6 months prior to the Presidential or Parliamentary elections.

4.2. The question of vote of confidence by the Milli Mejlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Azerbaijan on the same matter might be reintroduced only 6 months after the previous discussions.