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Article 1

The Articles 3 and 4 of the Law on citizenship of the Republic of Serbia ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia", n 135/04) are cancelled.

Article 2

The points 3), 4) and 5) of the Art. 7 are cancelled.

The present point 6) shall become point 3).

Article 3

The Art. 8. is cancelled.

Article 4

The words "of Serbia and Montenegro" in the Art. 9, para. 1. are replaced by the words: "of the Republic of Serbia ".

Article 5

The words "citizens of another state member or" in the Art. 13, para. 3 are cancelled.

Article 6

The comma and the words: "i.e. of Serbia and Montenegro" in the Art. 14, para. 1, point 3) are cancelled.

Article 7

The Art. 22 is cancelled.

Article 8

The para. 1 of the Art. 23 is changed and shall read:

"A member of Serbian nationality who is not residing in the territory of the Republic of Serbia is eligible for admission to citizenship of the Republic of Serbia without release from foreign citizenship, if he is over 18 years old and if he was not deprived of working capacity and if he submits a written statement that he considers the Republic of Serbia its state."

After the para. 2, a new para. 3 is added and it shall read:

"A member of another nationality or ethnic group from the territory of the Republic of Serbia can be admitted to citizenship of the Republic of Serbia in line with conditions of the para. 1 of this Article "

Article 9

The words "Serbia and Montenegro" in the Art. 24 shall be replaced with the words: "the Republic of Serbia".

Article 10

The point 3) of the Art. 27. is cancelled.

The present point 4) shall become point 3).

Article 11

The words: "Serbia and Montenegro" in the points 3), 4) and 5) of the Art. 28 shall be replaced by the words: "the Republic of Serbia".

Article 12.

In the Art. 29 the words: "Serbia and Montenegro" shall be replaced with the words: "the Republic of Serbia".

Article 13

The title above the Art. 35 and Art. 35 are cancelled.

Article 14

In the Art. 39 para. 1 the words: "Serbia and Montenegro" shall be replaced by the words: "the Republic of Serbia".

Article 15

In the Art. 48, the para. 1. shall be replaced by a comma and the words "only at personal request" shall be added.

The para. 2 is cancelled.

The present paragraphs 3 and 4 shall become paragraphs 2 and 3.

Article 16

The Art. 51 is changed and shall read:

"A person who acquired citizenship of the Republic of Serbia in line with the present regulations is considered a citizen of the Republic of Serbia in compliance with this Law."

Article 17.

The words: "beginning of application of this Law" in the Art. 52 para. 1 shall be replaced with the words: "on February 27th 2005".

After the para. 1 a new para. 2 shall be added. It reads:

"A citizen of Montenegro, who on June 3rd, 2006 had a registered place of residence in the territory of the Republic of Serbia, is considered a citizen of the Republic of Serbia, in line with this Law, if he submits a written statement that he considers himself a citzen of the Republic of Serbia together with application for recording in the evidence of citizens of the Republic of Serbia."

In the paragraphs 2 and 3 which shall become paragraphs 3 and 4 the words: "paragraph 1" shall be replaced with the words: "para. 1 and 2"

The present para. 4 which shall become para. 5 is changed and it reads:

"The statement and application defined in the para. 1 and 2 of this Article can be submitted within five years form the day of entery into force of this Law."

Article 18

Application for admission to citizenship pursuant to the Art. 23 para. 3 of this Law can be submitted within two years form the day of entry into force of this Law.

Article 19

The procedure for deciding about the application for acquisition and termination of citizenship of the Republic of Serbia initiated before the day of entry into force of this Law, shall be completed in compliance with the provisions of this Law.

Article 20.

The Minister competent for internal affairs shall harmonize the by-laws enacted pursuant to the Law on citizenship of the Republic of Serbia ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia", no 135/04) with the present Law within 60 days from the day of entry into force of this Law.

Article 21.

This law enters into force on the eighth day from the date of publishing in the "Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia"