## LAW OF THE KYRGYZ REPUBLIC On introduction of amendments into the Law of the Kyrgyz Republic "On Refugees"

## Article 1.

The following addenda and amendments shall be introduced into the Kyrgyz Republic Refugee Law (Bulletin of the Zhogorku Kenesh, 2002, No.5, page 203):

- 1. Article 2 shall be supplemented with the notion of the following content:
- "A person, applying for recognition as a refugee, is a person who is not a citizen of the Kyrgyz Republic and who states his wish to be recognized as a refugee on the grounds provided for by the Article 1, from among:
  - foreign citizens having arrived or wishing to arrive at the territory of the Kyrgyz Republic;
  - stateless persons having arrived or wishing to arrive at the territory of the Kyrgyz Republic;
  - foreign citizens and (or) stateless persons *staying* at the territory of the Kyrgyz Republic on lawful grounds".
- 2. To eliminate "choose place of residence" from paragraph 2 of the Article 6.
- 3. To supplement Article 13 with paragraph four of the following content: "A person recognized as a refugee and his family members who have arrived with him shall:
- notify within 7 days the Competent Authority of the change of family name, first name, marital status, on acquisition of citizenship of the Kyrgyz Republic or citizenship of other foreign state or of obtaining of permanent residence permit on the territory of the Kyrgyz Republic;
- notify of the intention to change place of stay within the territory of the Kyrgyz Republic or to leave for permanent residence outside of the territory of the Kyrgyz Republic";
- undergo annual re-registration within the terms, defined by the Competent Authority;
- de-record oneself with the Competent Authority when changing the place of stay and within seven days of arrival to the new place of stay shall record with the Competent Authority. Recording of a person recognized as a refugee with the Competent Authority shall be the ground for registration of this person and his family members at the Competent Authority at the new place of stay.";

paragraph four shall be considered to be paragraph five.

## Article 2.

The Government of the Kyrgyz Republic within 1 month-time shall bring its normative legal acts into compliance with the present Law.

**Article 3.** The present Law shall come into force from the moment of the official publication.

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