

**Law No. (17) for the year 2009, for the amendment of Article Number (3) of the Law Number (6) for the Year 1990 concerning the Yemeni Citizenship**

In the Name of the People:  
The President of the Republic:

Having considered the Constitution of the Republic of Yemen;  
and the Law Number (6) for the Year 1990, concerning the Yemeni Citizenship.;  
and following approval by the House of Representatives.

We hereby enact the Law which read as follows:

**Article (1)**

Amendment of Article (3) of Law Number (6) for the Year 1990 concerning the Yemeni Citizenship shall be amended as follows:

Article (3) the Yemeni Citizenship is enjoyed by:

(A) Who was born to a father or mother, where either of whom enjoys this Citizenship.

(B) Who was born in Yemen to a mother holding this Citizenship and to a father whose citizenship is unknown or who has no citizenship.

(C) Who was born in Yemen to a mother holding this Citizenship, while filiation to the father has not been legally proven.

(D) Who was born in Yemen to unknown parents, an infant found in Yemen shall be deemed as having been born in Yemen unless there is proof to the contrary.

(E) Expatriates, who was holding a Yemeni Citizenship upon leaving the territory of the homeland and did not renounce this Citizenship in accordance with the Law, and upon an explicit application from him even if he has acquired the citizenship of the country where he resides in pursuance with its laws.

(F) Who acquired the Yemeni Citizenship from the mother, and upon attainment of age of maturity, he has the right to elect either to enter into the Yemeni Citizenship or join the citizenship of the father".

**Article (2)**

Article 10 bis of Law Number (24) for the Year 2003 that was incorporated into by the provisions of Law Number (6) for the Year 1990 concerning Yemeni Citizenship shall be repealed.

**Article (3)**

This Law shall be effective from the date of its enactment and shall be published in the Official Gazette.

Enacted at Precedency of the Republic – in Sana'a  
Dated: 2/ Jumada Al Ula / 1430 Hegiri Calendar  
Co-inside with 28/ November / 2010 GC

Ali Abdu Allah Saleh  
President of the Republic