LAW OF GEORGIA ON MIGRANTS INSPECTION FEE

(as Revised and Amended)

Article 1. General Provisions

This Law defines the rate of a fee payable for inspection of migrants and the procedure for payment thereof as established under the Law of Georgia "On Migrants Inspection".

Article 2. Migrants Inspection Fee Concept

The migrants inspection fee is the charge of inspection and the mandatory money contribution to the state budget payable by persons entering and leaving Georgia.

Article 3. Payers of the Migrants Inspection Fee

Payers of the migrants inspection fee are persons defined as such pursuant to Article 4 of the Law of Georgia "On Migrants Inspection".

Article 4. Rate of the Migrants Inspection Fee

The migrants inspection fee makes:

- a) for aliens 10 lari;
- b) for migrant aliens travelling without visas and in transit 8 lari;
- c) for a citizen of Georgia and persons permanently residing in Georgia, as well as for residents of the Kazakh, Tauz, Kakhi, Zakatala, Belakani region of the Republic of Azerbaijan and the former Amasia, Ashovka, Tashir, Alaverdi, Noembrian regions of the Republic of Armenia, neighboring Georgia, who temporary enter the Ninotsminda, Dmanisi, Marneuli, Gardabani, Dedoplistskaro, Sighnaghi and Lagodekhi regions for business - 5 lari.

Article 5. Exemption from Migrants Inspection Fee

The following are exempt from the inspection fee:

- a) honorary citizens of Georgia;
- b) heads and officers of foreign diplomatic and consular missions, as well as the persons entitled to privileges and immunities under Georgian laws and international treaties of Georgia;
- c) passengers of international airlines transit migrants not entitled to leave the specially designated territory in the airport;
- d) crews of international itinerary transport means.

Article 6. Procedure for Payment of Migrants Inspection Fee

- 1. The migrants inspection fee is included in the price of the transport tickets of migrants entering or leaving Georgia and is credited to the central budget of Georgia by corresponding transport organizations.
- 2. A migrant entering or leaving Georgia without the general-use transport shall pay the migrants inspection fee at the respective customs body during the customs inspection.

Article 7. Transitional Provision

Prior to the putting of the present Law into effect, the Ministry of Refugees and Settlement of Georgia shall, in coordination with the Ministries of Finance and Transport of Georgia, prepare and promulgate the Instruction "On Payment of the Migrants Inspection Fee".

Article 8. Concluding Provision

This Law is put into effect as of January 1, 2002

President of Georgia **Eduard Shevardnadze** Tbilisi 26 June 1998