LAW ON MODIFICATIONS AND AMENDMENTS OF THE LAW ON THE STATUS OF DISPLACED PERSONS AND REFUGEES

Article 1

Article 12 of the Law on the Status of Displaced Persons and Refugees ("Official Gazette No. 96/93) is followed by a new, amended Article which reads:

'Article 12a

Principals of regional offices for displaced persons in the Counties in which offices operate, shall have the right to participate in the work of County Assemblies and their municipal authorities.

One authority member of the municipal and community autorities of the cities and communities in which territory the displaced persons shall be accommodated, has to be in charge for displaced persons."

Article 2

Article 14, Paragraph 2 is modified and reads as follows:

"All procedures regarding coercive removal of displaced persons shall be suspended until the conditions for their return are fulfilled, or until, with their consent, another appropriate lodging is provided in the place of their accomodation, or some other place."

Paragraph 6 is followed by a new, amended Paragraph 7 which reads:

"Provisions of Paragraph 2 of the Article herein shall refer to displaced persons accomodated till March 1, 1995."

Article 3

Paragraph 1 of Article 15 is followd by a new, amended Paragraph 2 which reads:

"Nourishment of displaced persons in organized accommodation shall be performed according to unique standard."

Former Paragraph 2 becomes Paragraph 3.

Articlė 4

Article 18 is modified and it reads:

"Schooling of displaced persons' children shall be provided by the Ministry of Education and Sports."

Displaced children, who attend elementary or secondary school, shall be given school-books and stationery free of charge, shall have free transport to school as well as nourishment as long as they have the status of displaced persons, and/or until the end of a school year in which they lose their status.

Pupils and students, attending their schools outside the place of their accomodation, shall be accomodated in pupil or student dormitories without any compensation.

Parents of displaced person's pre-school children shall pay compensation for their accomodation in a pre-school institution in the amount of second category, unless a more favourable status due to their material condition is established.

Medical protection for displaced persons shall be realized in accordance with the regulations on medical protection and medical insurance.

Displaced persons shall have a right to free medical protection."

Article 5

Article 18 is followed by new Articles which read:

"Article 18a

Municipal and/or community authorities in which territory displaced persons are accomodated, shall be under obligation to insure places of burial and dignified burial of displaced persons in a local cemetery.

Burial by cremation may be performed exclusively with a consent of a deceased person's family.

Article 18b

The State shall be liable for credits given to displaced persons by the Croatian Credit Bank for Reconstruction and by banks whose major owner is the State.

The Ministry of Finance shall issue a gurarantee on behalf of the State.

The State shall have a prime right to settlement from the real estate owned by a displaced person who has effectuated his right for credit.

Right under Paragraph 3 of the Article herein shall have no limitation period."

Article 6

Article 24 is followed by a new, amended Article which reads:

Article 24a

Standard under Article 15 Paragraph 2 shall be established by the Ministry of Health."

Article 7

The Law herein shall come into force on the day of its proclamation in the "Official Gazette".

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