MINISTRY OF CIVIL AFFAIRS OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

Pursuant to Article 40 paragraph (1), point d) and paragraph (2) point e) of the Law on Identity Cards of Citizens of Bosnia and Herzegovina ("Official Gazette of BiH", 32/01, 16/02, 32/07, 53 / 07, 56/08 and 18/12) and Article 33 of the Law on Travel Documents of Bosnia and Herzegovina ("Official Gazette of BiH", 4/97, 1/99, 9/99, 27/00, 32/00, 19/01, 47/04, 53/07, 33/08, 39/08 and 60/12), the Minister of Civil Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina has issued an

INSTRUCTION

ON ADDITIONAL CHECKS IN THE PERSONAL DOCUMENTS ISSUING PROCESS

Article 1

(Additional checks in the identity cards issuing process)

The competent authorities referred to in Article 7 (1) of the Law on Identity Cards of Citizens of Bosnia and Herzegovina (hereinafter: the Law) shall be obliged to immediately verify with the competent authority of another country the authenticity of identity document, i.e. issued public document, of a person submitting an application for issuance of identity card for the first time and proving their identity with a personal document issued by the competent authority of another country.

Article 2

(Additional checks in the travel documents issuing process)

The competent authorities referred to in Article 13 of the Law on Travel Documents of Bosnia and Herzegovina shall be obliged to immediately verify with the competent authority, i.e. issuer of a public document the authenticity of the identification documents of a person submitting an application for the issuance of a travel document for the first time if unable to prove their identity as provided for by regulations.

Article 3

(Providing statements and relevant data verification)

In the process of issuing an identity card to the citizen referred to in Article 9 of the Law, who submitted a request for issuance of identity cards after the expiry of the prescribed 60 day-period, the competent authorities referred to in Article 1 of this Instruction shall be obliged to require from the applicant a specific statement on the circumstances for a delay, and the relevant data from the statement shall be immediately checked with the competent authority.

Article 4 (Additional checks)

If the competent authorities in the process of issuing identity documents suspects the identity of the applicant, they may, as provided for by regulations, carry out further checks in terms of the applicable standards in the field of identity documents issuing process.

Article 5 (Checks abroad)

Checks of public documents and verification of relevant information abroad shall be carried out by submitting a request marked "urgent" to the Directorate for Coordination of Police Bodies, the Department for International Police Cooperation (Interpol), subject to the Agreement for accession of Bosnia and Herzegovina to Interpol of 1992.

Article 6 (Publication and entry into force)

This instruction shall enter into force on the eighth day of its publication in the "Official Gazette of BiH".

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