Assembly of Republic of Kosovo,

Based on Article 65 (1) of the Constitution of the Republic of Kosovo,

Approves

LAW ON AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE LAW No.03/L-034 ON CITIZENSHIP OF KOSOVO

Article 1

This Law aims to amend and supplement the Law No.03/L-034 on Citizenship of Kosovo published in the Official Gazette No. 26 (02.06.2008).

Article 2

Article 1 of the basic Law, in the first line after the word “acquisition” there is added the word “reacquisition”.

Article 3

Article 2 of the basic Law, after the definition "child" there is added a new definition as follows:

\[g) \text{ Stateless person (apatrid)}\] - means a person who is not considered a citizen of any state within the scope of the Law of the respective State.

Article 4

1. Article 7 of the basic Law, paragraph 7.1. in the second line after the word “unknown” there is added the phrase “or stateless”;

2. Article 7 of the basic Law, paragraph 7.3. in the second line, the phrase ”valid residence permission” shall be deleted, and shall be amended and supplemented with the phrase “permanent residence permission”.

Article 5

Article 10 of the basic Law, paragraph 10.1. point b) shall be reworded as follows:

b) to stay five (5) years in the Republic of Kosovo after receiving permanent residence permission.

Article 6

After Article 12 of the basic Law, there is added a new Article 12 A as follows:
Article 12A
Acquisition of citizenship by the stateless person (apatrid)

12A1. A stateless person may acquire the citizenship of Kosovo if he/she resides in the territory of Kosovo (five) 5 years without interruption, with the permanent residence permission;

12A2. The right of acquisition of the citizenship of Kosovo is also given to the children of the person from paragraph 1 of this Article. For children over age of (fourteen) 14 till the age of eighteen (18), his prior consent to acquire citizenship of Kosovo is necessary;

12A3. Criteria to acquire the citizenship of Kosovo according to this Article shall be determined by sub-legal act issued by MIA;

Article 7

Article 18 of the basic Law, paragraph 18.1. shall be reworded as follows:

18.1. the child under the age of fourteen (14) shall loose the citizenship of Kosovo by release if this is requested by one parent who has lost the citizenship of Kosovo with consent of release by other parent.

Article 8

Article 27 of the basic Law, paragraph 27.1. shall be reworded as follows:

27.1. Administrative fee is fixed with a decision by the Minister.

Article 9
Entry into force

This Law shall enter into force fifteen (15) days after publication in the Official Gazette of the Republic of Kosovo.

Law No.04/L-059
21 October 2011

Promulgated by Decree No.DL-044-2011, dated 15.11.2011, President of the Republic of Kosovo Atifete Jahjaga.