



**REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA
COUNCIL OF MINISTERS**

ORDER

No.124, dated 18.9.2019

ON

**THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE INTERINSTITUTIONAL
WORKING GROUP FOR DRAFTING OF THE LEGAL
PACKAGE FOR GUARANTEEING
THE RIGHT TO VOTE TO ALBANIAN CITIZENS OUTSIDE THE
TERRITORY OF THE REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA**

Pursuant to Article 102(3) of the Constitution, Article 12(1) of Law No. 9000, dated 30.01.2003 “On the Organization and Functioning of the Council of Ministers”, and point 3(f) of the Decision no.510, dated 13.9.2017 of the Council of Ministers, “On the definition of the scope of activity of State Minister of Diaspora”,

HEREBY ORDER:

1. Establishment of the inter-institutional working group for drafting the legal package for guaranteeing the right to vote for Albanian citizens outside the territory of the Republic of Albania.
2. The inter-institutional group is chaired by the Minister of State of Diaspora and shall be composed of members, representatives from the institutions as follows:
 - a) Ministry of Interior;
 - b) Ministry of Justice;
 - c) Ministry of Finance and Economy;
 - d) Ministry of Health and Social Protection;
 - e) Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs;
 - f) The Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy
 - g) Institute of Statistics.



3. The inter-institutional group shall collaborate with the Central Election Commission at the Parliament of Albania. The group coordinates the work with the Central Election Commission and responds on behalf of the Prime Minister to cooperative work requirements related to the accomplish the purpose set out in this order.
4. The methodology of drafting the legal package for guaranteeing the right to vote for Albanian citizens outside the territory of the Republic of Albania shall be based on the recommendations of the European Union serving this purpose, as well as on the best practices and models of its member states.
5. In drafting the legal package in order to guarantee the right to vote for Albanian citizens outside the territory of the Republic of Albania, the inter-institutional working group may conduct consultations and receive support from civil society representatives, external experts or stakeholders of international organizations.
6. The legal package with legal amendments to guarantee the right to vote for Albanian citizens outside the territory of the Republic of Albania shall be drafted and submitted for approval to the Council of Ministers within December 2019.
7. The heads of the institutions referred to in point 2 of this order shall be required to submit, within 15 (fifteen) days of its entry into force, the names of their representatives to the State Minister of Diaspora.
8. The State Minister of Diaspora is hereby appointed, within 15 (five) days of the entry into force of this Order, to ensure the commencement of the activity of the inter-institutional group.
9. The State Minister of Diaspora and all the institutions mentioned in point 2 of the order herein, are responsible for its implementation.

This Order shall enter into force immediately.

PRIME MINISTER

EDI RAMA