

Questions from the Committee to the Party concerned:

The status and content of relevant legislation

Question: 1. Please provide the text of the following legislation, in Turkmen language as well as Russian and English translations thereof:

a) The amendment to the Law on Public Associations adopted on 4 February 2017;

Answer: *The text of Law No. 503-V of 4 February 2017 amending and supplementing the Law of Turkmenistan on Public Associations ('the Public Associations Act') is attached in Turkmen and in Russian. There is no official translation into English.*

b) All other amendments to the Law on Public Associations made since the Law was provided to the Committee on 26 March 2014;

Answer: *Apart from the additions and amendments of 4 February 2017, no other additions or amendments have been made to the Public Associations Act.*

c) All amendments to the Law on Nature Protection made since the Law was provided to the Committee on 13 May 2014.

Answer: *The Law on Nature Protection has been amended on two occasions since the date of its adoption and since it was submitted to the Committee on 13 May 2014. Law No. 281-V of 18 August 2015 and Law No. 532-V of 20 March 2017, which introduced amendments to the Law of Turkmenistan on Nature Protection are attached in Turkmen and in Russian.*

Question 2. Are there any regulations, bylaws, or instructions that implement the provisions of the Law on Public Associations? If so, please provide the current versions of all such instruments, in Turkmen language as well as Russian and English translations thereof.

Question 4. Are there any regulations, bylaws, instructions or forms implementing the provisions of the Law on Public Associations? If so, please provide the current versions of all such instruments in Turkmen language as well as Russian and English translations thereof.

Answer: *Yes, there are: the Russian text of the **Rules on the Registration of Public Associations**, approved by Resolution No. 6547 of the President of Turkmenistan of 14 January 2004 (with the amendments and additions introduced by Resolution No. 10071 of the President of Turkmenistan of 20 October 2008 and by Resolution No. 14354 of the President of Turkmenistan of 4 August 2015) is attached. There is no official text of the Rules in English.*

Question 3. Have there been any amendments since 30 March 2016 to the 2011 Law on the Legal Status of Foreign Citizens in Turkmenistan and specifically to its article 15 relating to participation in public associations? Please provide the text of article 15 of this Law currently in force, in Turkmen language as well as Russian and English translations thereof.

Question 5. Have there been any amendments since 30 March 2016 to the 2011 Law on the Legal Status of Foreign Citizens in Turkmenistan and specifically to its article 15 relating to participation in public associations? Please provide the text of article 15 of this Law currently in force, in Turkmen language as well as Russian and English translations thereof.

Answer: *No amendments have been made to the Law on the Legal Status of Foreign Citizens in Turkmenistan of 26 March 2011 or to Article 15 of the Law since the date of its adoption. The texts of Article 15 in Turkmen and in Russian are attached. There is no official text of the Law in English.*

Question 6. Please provide the text of article 65 of the Administrative Code currently in force, in Turkmen language as well as Russian and English translations thereof.

Answer: *The text of Article 65 of the Administrative Offences Code is attached in Turkmen and in Russian. There is no official text of this law in English.*