



## Islamic Republic of Afghanistan Independent Election Commission

### Decision of Independent Election Commission

<b>Decision No:</b>	1393-40
<b>Subject:</b>	Audit results of 2774 polling stations.
<b>Responsible Authority:</b>	Independent Election Commission Secretariat
<b>Date and Location of Meeting:</b>	27 August 2014, IEC Head Quarter
<b>Members Present:</b>	Mr. Abdul Rahman Hotaky, Mrs. Gulaly Asakzy, Mr. Mohammad Husain Gurziwani, Mr. Mohammad Aziz Bakhtiary, Jurist Sulaiman Hamid, Mrs. Laila Ahrari and Mrs. Sharifa Zurmati Wardak

Based on Article (13) of structural law of IEC and IECC and Article (58) of Electoral Law and according to IEC decisions (33 & 37) relevant to audit results of 2774 polling stations in four categories whose list and characteristics attached to this decision; the Independent Election Commission decided as follows:

- 1. Total of 1853 polling stations which as the result of audit process were found to be normal with no problems, shall be processed.**
- 2. Ballots of 498 polling stations, for various reasons were recounted according to the criteria mentioned in Decision (33) stated in seven categories as the following; therefore, their new result forms shall be included in vote count process:**
  - I. 46 polling stations; because the result form was missing or there was evidence of manipulation in the ballot box.
  - II. 183 polling stations; because the number of votes recorded on the result form exceeded 600.
  - III. 7 polling stations; because there was a difference between original result form and its copy inside the ballot box.
  - IV. 12 polling stations; because voter list was unavailable or blank, or 10 or more voter registration cards were recorded in continuous serial numbers.
  - V. 9 polling stations; because the ballot box was broken or damaged to the extent that a hand could be placed in it or the seals were so loose that it was possible to place a hand inside the box.
  - VI. 167 polling station; because two or more seals of ballot boxes were damaged or broken or showed the evidence of obvious manipulation; or because two or more seal numbers on the ballot box did not match with the numbers recorded on the record seal form.

VII. 74 polling stations; because at least 20 ballots were obviously marked similar; or were not marked according to the procedure.

**3. All ballots from 64 polling stations shall be invalidated according to criteria mentioned in IEC-decision 33, in six categories as follows:**

- I. 1 polling station; because the ballot boxes were not of the same type as distributed by IEC for run-off election.
  - II. 40 polling stations; because there were no ballot papers in ballot box, or none of the ballot papers were stamped, or all ballot papers were not marked according to procedure or all of them were marked similarly, or all ballot papers were not separated from the stub.
  - III. 12 polling stations; because the journal of polling station reported use of force, evidence of war and loss of control over electoral materials by commission staff.
  - IV. 1 polling station; because voter list was missing or blank and at least 33% of all ballot papers were not stamped, or were not marked according to the procedure, or marked similarly, or were not separated from the stub.
  - V. 1 polling station; because the ballot box was damaged or broken to the extent that a hand could be entered or there were evidences of manipulation in results form or in ballot bundles.
  - VI. 9 polling stations; because two or more seal numbers on the ballot box were different from the numbers recorded on the record seal form and there were evidences of tampering with the result form or ballot bundle.
4. Of 274 polling stations which in regard to question No. 16 of the check list were put to special audit, 263 polling stations have been recounted and their result forms shall be included in vote count process and 11 polling stations shall be invalidated.

In Opposition to the Decision	Members' Name	In agreement to the decision
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