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The Commanding Officer of the Constitutional Army, Nation’s Chief Executive, has addressed to me the following decree:

I, VENUSTIANO CARRANZA, Commanding Officer of the Constitutional Army, Chief Executive of the United Mexican States, inform that:

The Constituent Congress, which has met in this city this 1 day of December, 1916, under the call issued on September 19, same year, by the First Head of State, according to that provided by the Article 4 of modifications made on September 14 on the decree issued on December 12, 1914 in Veracruz, and attaching the Plan of Guadalupe proclaimed on March 26, 1913, has issued the following:

POLITICAL CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED MEXICAN STATES

This Constitution reforms the constitution issued on February 5, 1857.

TITLE ONE

CHAPTER I

(The name of the chapter was modified by the decree published on June 10, 2011)

Human rights and guarantees

(First paragraph was reformed by the decree published on June 10, 2011)
Article 1

In the United Mexican States, all individuals shall be entitled to the human rights granted by this Constitution and the international treaties signed by the Mexican State, as well as to the guarantees for the protection of these rights. Such human rights shall not be restricted or suspended, except for the cases and under the conditions established by this Constitution itself.

(Added by the decree published on June 10, 2011)

The provisions relating to human rights shall be interpreted according to this Constitution and the international treaties on the subject, working in favor of the protection of people at all times.

(Added by the decree published on June 10, 2011)

All authorities, in their areas of competence, are obliged to promote, respect, protect and guarantee the human rights, in accordance with the principles of universality, interdependence, indivisibility and progressiveness. As a consequence, the State must prevent, investigate, penalize and redress violations to the human rights, according to the law.

Slavery shall be forbidden in Mexico. Every individual who is considered as a slave at a foreign country shall be freed and protected under the law by just entering the country.

(Reformed by the decree published on June 10, 2011)

Any form of discrimination, based on ethnic or national origin, gender, age, disabilities, social status, medical conditions, religious, opinions, sexual orientation, marital status, or any other form, which violates the human dignity or seeks to annul or diminish the rights and freedoms of the people, is prohibited.

Article 2

The Mexican Nation is unique and indivisible. The nation is multicultural, based originally on its indigenous tribes.
Descendants of those inhabiting the country before colonization and that preserve their own social, economic, cultural and political institutions, or some of them.

Consciousness of indigenous identity will be the fundamental criteria to determine to whom apply the provisions on indigenous people.

Indigenous community is defined as the community that constitutes a cultural, economic and social unit, settled in a territory and that recognizes its own authorities, according to their customs.

Indigenous people’s right to self-determination shall be subjected to the Constitution in order to guarantee national unity. States’ and Federal District’s constitutions and laws must recognize indigenous peoples and communities, taking into account the general principles established in the previous paragraphs, as well as ethnic-linguistic and land settlement criteria.

A. This Constitution recognizes and protects the indigenous peoples’ right to self-determination and, consequently, the right to autonomy, so that they can:

I. Decide their internal forms of coexistence, as well their social, economic, political and cultural organization.

II. Apply their own legal systems to regulate and solve their internal conflicts, subjected to the general principles of this Constitution, respecting the fundamental rights, the human rights and, above all, the dignity and safety of women. The law shall establish the way in which judges and courts will validate the aforementioned regulations.

Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
(Amended by decree published on May 22, 2015)
III. Elect, in accordance with their traditional rules, procedures and practices, their authorities or representatives to exercise their own form of internal governance, guaranteeing that indigenous women’s and men’s will enjoy and exercise their right to vote and be elected under equitable conditions; as well as accessing and taking public and popular election offices for which they had been elected or appointed, respecting the federal pact, sovereignty of the States and the autonomy of Mexico City. Under no circumstances may community practices limit the citizens’ political-electoral rights on the election of their municipal authorities.

IV. Preserve and enrich their languages, knowledge and all the elements that constitute their culture and identity.

V. Maintain and improve their environment and lands, according to this Constitution.

VI. Attain preferential use of the natural resources of the sites inhabited by their indigenous communities, except for the strategic resources defined by this Constitution. The foregoing rights shall be exercised respecting the forms of property ownership and land possession established in this Constitution and in the laws on the matter as well as respecting third parties’ rights. To achieve these goals, indigenous communities may form partnerships under the terms established by the Law.

VII. Elect indigenous representatives for the town council.

The constitutions and laws of the States shall recognize and regulate these rights in municipalities, with the purpose of strengthening indigenous peoples’ participation and political representation, in accordance with their traditions and regulations.

VIII. Have full access to State jurisdiction. In order to protect this right, in all trials and proceedings that involve natives, individually or collectively, their customs and cultural practices must be taken into account, respecting the provisions established in this Constitution. Indigenous people have, at all times, the right to be assisted by interpreters and counsels, who are familiar to their language and culture.
The constitutions and laws of the States and the Federal District shall establish those elements of self-determination and autonomy that may best express the conditions and aspirations of indigenous peoples, as well as the rules, according to which indigenous communities will be defined as public interest entities.

(The first paragraph was amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

B. In order to promote equal opportunities for indigenous people and to eliminate any discriminatory practice, the Federation, the States and Municipalities shall establish the institutions and define the necessary policies to guarantee full force of indigenous people’s rights and comprehensive development of indigenous people and communities. Said institutions and policies shall be designed and operated jointly with them.

In order to eliminate the needs and backwardness affecting indigenous towns and communities, authorities are obliged to:

I. Stimulate regional development in indigenous areas with the purpose of strengthening local economies and improving the quality of life. To achieve this goal, the three levels of government and the indigenous communities must take part in a coordinated manner. Local governments shall equitably determine the budget that is to be directly managed by the indigenous communities for specific goals.

II. Guarantee education and increase educational level of indigenous peoples, favoring bilingual and cross-cultural education, literacy, completion of the elementary and secondary education, technical training, high education and university education. Also, the authorities must establish a scholarship system for indigenous students at all grades, as well as define and carry out regional educational programs, according to indigenous peoples’ cultural heritage and opinion, and according to the law. Authorities must promote respect towards the several cultures of the Nation and knowledge about them.

III. Enforce an effective access to health services by increasing the coverage of the national health services, but making good use of traditional medicine; improve nutrition for indigenous people through food programs, especially for children.
IV. Improve conditions of indigenous communities and their spaces for socializing and recreation through public and private financing for housing construction and improvements; extend the coverage of basic social services.

V. Promote incorporation of indigenous women to development by supporting their productive projects, protecting their health and granting incentives for their education; foster participation of indigenous women in decision making process of their communities.

VI. Extend the communication infrastructure, enabling integration of communities to the rest of the country, by constructing and expanding transportation routes and telecommunication means. Also, authorities are obliged to develop the conditions required so that indigenous peoples and communities may acquire, operate and manage media, in accordance with the law.

VII. Support productive activities and sustainable development of indigenous communities through: a) actions that allow them to become self-sufficient; b) granting incentives for public and private investments that create new jobs; c) the use of new technology to increase productive capacity and to assure equitable access to supply and marketing systems.

VIII. Establish social policies to protect indigenous immigrants both, in Mexican territory and foreign countries, through: a) actions that assure farm workers’ labor rights; b) improve women’s health; c) carry out special educational and nutrition programs for children and young people belonging to immigrant families; d) ensure indigenous people’s human rights are respected and e) spread indigenous peoples’ culture.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

IX. Consult indigenous people’s opinions on the preparation of the National Development plan, the State plans and Municipalities’ plans and, if appropriate, Mexico City’s territorial demarcations plans, and, as the case may be, incorporate their recommendations and proposals.

In order to enforce the obligations set forth herein, the House of Representatives, the legislative bodies of the Federal District and the States, as well as the City Councils, within the scope of their jurisdictions, shall establish specific budgets to comply with these
obligations, as well as the procedures enabling communities to participate in the exercise and supervision thereof.

Any community comparable to indigenous peoples shall have the same rights as the indigenous people, according to the law, without detrimental to rights of natives, their communities and peoples.

(First paragraph Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
(First paragraph amended through decree published on February 9th, 2012)

**Article 3.** All people have the right of education. The State – Federation, States, Mexico City and Municipalities-, will provide preschool, elementary, middle and high school education. Preschool, elementary and middle school will be part of the basic education; these and the high school will be mandatory.

(Reformed by the decree published on June 10, 2011)

Education provided by the State shall develop harmoniously all human abilities, inducing in pupils love for the country, the respect for human rights and international solidarity on independence and justice.

(Added by decree published on February 26, 2013)

The State will guarantee the quality in mandatory education, in a way that education material and methods, the school organization, educational infrastructure and the teachers and principals suitability ensure the highest learning achievement of students.

I. According to the Article 24, the education provided by the State shall be secular, therefore, state education shall be maintained entirely apart from any religious doctrine.

II. The guiding principles for state education shall be scientific progress and the fight against ignorance, servitude, fanaticism and prejudices.
Furthermore, guiding principles for state education shall:

a) be democratic, understanding democracy not only as a legal structure and political regime, but also as a way of life grounded on the continuous economic, social and cultural development;

b) be national, which means that, without hostilities or exclusivism, state education shall study national problems and the utilization of our resources, shall defend our political independence, shall assure our economic independence and shall preserve and develop our culture; and

(Amended through a decree published on February 9th, 2012)

c) Contributing to a better human coexistence, in order to strengthen the appreciation and respect for cultural diversity, human dignity, the integrity of the family, the conviction of the society general interest, the fraternity and fairness ideals of everyone’s rights, avoiding race, religion, group, sex or individual privileges, and

(Added by decree published on February 26, 2013)

d) It shall be of quality based on the constant progress and highest academic achievement of the students;

(Amended by decree published on February 26, 2013)

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

III. To fully comply with the provisions established in the second paragraph and under section II, the President of the Republic shall establish the syllabus for preschool, elementary and secondary education, as well as for teacher training college that is to be applied throughout the country. The President of the Republic shall take into account the opinion of the states’ governments, as well as the
opinions of all groups of society involved in education, teachers and parents under
the terms of the law. Additionally, entering the teaching post and the promotion to
positions with management or supervision duties on basic education and medium
education by the State, will take place through competitive contest that guarantee
the suitability of the corresponding knowledge and abilities. The regulating law will
set the criteria, terms and conditions of the mandatory evaluation for the
admission, promotion, acknowledgment and continuance in the professional
service with full respect to the constitutional rights of the workers of the education.
All admissions and promotions not granted according to law will be annulled.
Provisions in this paragraph will not be applicable to the institutions therein section
VII of this article;

IV. Education provided by the State shall be free;

(Amended through a decree published on February 9th, 2012)

V. In addition to providing the preschool, elementary, middle and high
education mentioned in the above paragraph, the State will promote and deal with all educational
types and modalities, from the starting education to the higher education, necessary for the
development of the nation, and will support the scientific and technology research and will
promote strengthening and spreading our culture;

VI. Private entities may provide all kinds of education. In accordance with the law, the
State shall have powers to grant and cancel official accreditation to studies done at private
institutions. In the case of pre-school, elementary and secondary education, as well as
teacher training college, private schools must:

a) Provide education in accordance with the same purposes and criteria
established in paragraph second and section II, as well as to comply with the
syllabus mentioned in section III; and

b) Obtain a previous and explicit authorization from the authorities, under the
terms provided by the Law.
VII. Universities and other higher education institutions upon which the law has conferred autonomy, shall have the powers and responsibility to govern themselves. They must subject themselves to the principles established in this Article to educate, do research and promote culture, respecting academic freedom, researching freedom, freedom to apply exams and to discuss ideas. These institutions shall develop their academic plans; they shall establish the terms for admission, promotion and tenure of their academic personnel; and they shall manage their estate. Labor relationships between institution and academic and administrative personnel shall be governed by section A of Article 123 of this Constitution, according to the terms established by the National Labor Relations Act for a specially regulated work, without interfering with the autonomy, academic freedom, researching freedom and the goals of the institutions referred herein.

VIII. In order to unify and coordinate education throughout the country, the Congress of the Union shall enact the necessary laws to distribute the social duty of educating among the Federation, the states and the municipalities, and shall establish the pertinent budget for this public service and set the penalties applicable to such civil servants who fail to comply or enforce these provisions, and to any one infringing them, and

IX. In order to guarantee the provision of quality education services, the National Education Evaluation System is created. The National Institute for the Evaluation of Education will coordinate of said system. The National Institute for the Evaluation of Education will be an autonomous public body, with legal personality and its own budget. The Institute shall evaluate the quality, performance and results of the national educational system in the preschool, elementary, junior high and high school. Thus it shall:

a) Design and perform the measures corresponding to components, processes or results of the system;

b) Expand the guidelines to which the federal and local educational authorities will be subject to perform the corresponding evaluation functions, and
c) Creating and disseminating information, and based on that, issuing guidelines relevant to contribute to decisions tending to improve the quality of education and equity, as essential factor in the search of social equality.

The Governing Board will be the directing body of the Institute and will be made up of five members. The Federal Executive will present a list of three for consideration of the House of Senators, which, with previous appearance of the proposed persons, will appoint the person who should take the position. The appointment will be by the vote of two thirds of the members of the House of Senators present or during recesses (sic), of the Permanent Commission, within a thirty days’ period that cannot be extended. Should the House of Senators not resolved within such period of time, the position will be filled by the member of the Governing Board, who within said list is appointed by the Federal Executive.

In case that the House of Senators completely rejects the list proposed, the Federal Executive will present a new one, under the terms of the previous paragraph. If the second list was rejected, the position will be filled by the person in such list appointed by the Federal Executive.

The members of the Governing Board should be people with ability and experience in the competence matters of the Institute and meet the requirements set by the law, perform their jobs during seven years’ periods staggered and may be reelected only once. The members may not last in the position over fourteen years. In case of absolute lack of one of them, the substitute will be appointed to end the respective period. They can only be removed for a sever cause under the terms of Title IV of this Constitution and could not have another job, position or commission with the exception of those in which they act representing the Institute and those not paid on teaching, scientific, cultural or charity activities.

The Governing Board together will appoint by majority of votes from three of the members, who will preside it during the time set by law.

The law will establish the rules for the organization and functioning of the institute, which will rule activities according to the principles of independence, transparency, objectivity, pertinence, diversity and inclusion.

The law shall establish the necessary mechanism and actions that allow the institute and the federal and local education authorities an efficient cooperation and coordination for a better performance their respective activities.

**Article 4**

Man and woman are equal under the law. The law shall protect the organization and development of the family.
Every person has the right to decide, in a free, responsible and informed manner, the number of children desired and the timing between each of them.

*(Added by the decree published October 13th, 2011)*

All individuals have the right to nutritional, sufficient and quality nourishment. The State shall guarantee this.

Every person has the right to access to health services.

*(Amended through decree published on February 8th, 2012)*

Any person has the right to a healthy environment for his/her own development and wellbeing. The State will guarantee the respect to such right. Environmental damage and deterioration will generate a liability for whoever provokes them in terms of the provisions by the law.

*(Added through decree published February 8th, 2012)*

Any person has the right of access, provision and drainage of water for personal and domestic consumption in a sufficient, healthy, acceptable and affordable manner. The State will guarantee such right and the law will define the bases, supports and modality for the equitable and sustainable access and use of the freshwater resources, establishing the participation of the Federation, federal entities and municipalities, as well as the participation of the citizens for the achievement of such purposes.

Any family has the right to enjoy a decent and respectable house. The law will set the instruments and supports necessary to achieve such objective.

Every person has the right to live in an environment that is suitable for his development and wellbeing.

Every family has the right to live in a dignified and decorous housing.
(Added by decree published on June 17, 2014)
Every person has the right to an identity and to be registered immediately after birth. The State shall guarantee the compliance of these rights. The Competent authority shall issue the first certificated copy of the birth certificate free of charge.

(Amended by the decree published on October 12th, 2011)

The State, in all decisions it makes and all actions it carried out, will safeguard and comply with the principle of doing what is in the best interest of children, thus entirely guaranteeing their rights. Boys and girls have the right to having their nutritional, health, educational and relaxation needs satisfied for their proper development. This principle should guide the design, enforcement, following up and evaluation of the policies published dealing with children.

(Amended by the decree published on October 12th, 2011)

Ascendant relatives and guardians have the obligation of maintaining and demanding the compliance of these rights and principles.

The State will grant aid to individuals to assist with the compliance of the rights of children.

Ascendants, tutors and guardians have the duty to protect these rights.

(addition made through the decree published on April 30, 2009)

Every person has cultural rights, has the right of access to culture and the right to enjoy state cultural services. The State shall provide the means to spread and develop culture, taking into account the cultural diversity of our country and respecting creative freedom. The law shall provide instruments that guarantee access and participation of any cultural expression.

(Amended by the decree published on October 12th, 2011)
All individuals have a right to physical culture and the practice of sports. The State shall promote and stimulate this with laws on the matter.

**Article 5**

No person may be prevented from performing the profession, industry, business or work of his choice, provided that it is lawful. This right may only be banned by judicial resolution, when third parties’ rights are infringed, or by government order, issued according to the law when society’s rights are infringed. No one can be deprived of legal wages, except by a judicial ruling.

*(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)*

The law shall establish on each State which professions require a degree to be practiced, the requirements to obtain said decree and the authorities to issue it.

In each state, the law shall determine which professions require a degree to be practiced, the requirements for such degree and the appropriate authorities to issue it.

No one can be compelled to work or render personal services without obtaining a fair compensation and without his full consent, unless the work has been imposed as a penalty by a judicial authority, which shall be subjected to the provisions established in the Article 123, sections I and II.

Only the following public services may be mandatory, and always according to the law: military service, jury service, councilman service and positions granted through the direct or indirect vote. Electoral and census duties shall be mandatory and free; however, those services performed professionally shall be paid as provided by this Constitution and any applicable laws. Social professional services shall be mandatory and remunerated according to the law and with the exceptions established in it.

Any contract, pact or agreement, which purpose is the demerit, loss or irrevocable sacrifice of a person’s liberty is prohibited.

Any contract by which a person agrees to his own proscription or exile, or by which he temporarily or permanently waives his right to practice certain profession, industry or business shall not be authorized either.
A work contract will oblige the person only to render the service mentioned in that contract and during the term established by law, which may not exceed one year. The work contract cannot include the waiver, loss or damage of any political or civil right.

In the event that the worker fails to fulfill said contract, he only may be subjected to civil liability, but never may be exerted any coercion on him.

(First paragraph amended by decree published on 11 June, 2013)

(First paragraph amended by decree published on November 13, 2007)

**Article 6th.** Free speech shall be restricted neither judicially, not administratively, but when it represents an attack to public morality, life or individual rights, as well as when it produces a criminal offense or disturbs the public order; the right to reply shall be enforced according to the law. The right to information shall be guaranteed by the State.

(Added by decree published on 11 June, 2013)

Everyone has the right to the free access to plural and timely information, as well as searching, receiving and disseminating information and ideas of any nature through any means of expression.

(Added by decree published on 11 June, 2013)

The Federal state shall guarantee the access right to information and communication technologies, as well as to broadcast and telecommunication services, including wide band and internet (sic). For such purposes, the Federal State will provide the effective competence conditions on the provision of said services.

(Added by decree published on 11 June, 2013)

For the purpose of this Article the following shall apply:
(Passed by decree published on 11 June, 2013)

(The first paragraph was amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
(Passed by decree published on June 11, 2013)

A. For the exercise of the right to access of information, the Federation and the States, within their respective jurisdiction areas, will be governed by the following principles and bases:

(Amended by decree published on February 7, 2014)

I. All information held by any authority, entity, body, office and agency of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Branches, autonomous bodies, political parties, trust funds, and public funds, as well as from any legal entity, individual or union which receives and controls public resources or performs authority duties within the federal, state and municipal areas, is public and shall only be reserved temporarily by public interest reasons and national security according to the law. The highest publicity principle shall prevail on the interpretation of this right. Legally bound reporting parties shall record any operation that results from performing their powers, competences or duties, the law will determine the specific cases to be declared as lacking of information.

II. The information referring to private live and personal data will be protected under the terms and with the exceptions set by law.

III. Everyone, without proving any interest or justifying its use, will have free access to public information, personal data or rectification thereof.

(Amended by decree published on February 7, 2014)

IV. Expeditious mechanisms to access of information and revision procedures shall be established. These procedures will be brought before specialized and impartial bodies established in this Constitution.

(Amended by decree published on February 7, 2014)

V. Legally bound reporting parties shall keep their documents on administrative updated files. They shall publish on available electronic media the complete and updated information about their exercise of public resources and the indicators leading to accountability of their objectives fulfilment and the results achieved.

VI. The laws will define the way in which legally bound reporting parties shall make public the information related to public resources delivered to companies or individuals.
VII. Failure to comply the provision on public information access will be penalized under the terms set by the law.

(Added by decree published on 11 June, 2013)

(Added through decree published on February 7, 2014)

VIII. The Federation will have an autonomous, specialized, impartial, collegial body, with legal personality and own patrimony, with full technical and management autonomy, ability to decide over the use of the budget and to define its internal organization, responsible for guaranteeing the compliance of the right of access of public information and personal data protection held by legally bound reporting parties under the terms set by the law.

The autonomous body provided in this fraction will be governed by the law on transparency and access to public information and protection of personal data held by legally bound reporting parties, under the terms provided by the general law issued by the Congress of the Union to set the bases, general principles and procedures for the exercise of this right.

The certainty, legality, independency, impartiality, efficacy, objectivity, professionalism, transparency and highest publicity principles shall govern its operations.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

The federal guarantor body has jurisdiction to know the cases related to the access to public information and personal data protection from any authority, entity, body or agency that is part of any of the Legislative, Executive and Judicial Branches, autonomous bodies, political parties, trust funds and public funds, as well as any legal entity, individual or union that receives and controls public resources or performs authority acts within the federal level; with the exception of those jurisdictional matters that correspond to the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation, which shall be resolved by a three ministers committee. It shall also know the motions filed by individuals regarding the resolution of the State specialized autonomous bodies that determine the secrecy, confidentiality, lack or denial of information under the terms set by the law.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

The federal guarantor body, by official notice or upon motivated request by the equivalent State guarantor body, may know the motions for review required due to its interest and relevance.

The law shall establish the information considered restricted or confidential.

The resolutions of the guarantor body are binding, final and unassailable for legally bound reporting parties. The Government’s Legal Adviser may file a motion for
review before the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation under the terms set by
the law, only in the case that said resolutions may put the national security at risk
in accordance with the relevant law.

The guarantor body comprises seven commissioners. For their appointment, the
House of Senators, after an extensive consult to society, by proposal of
parliamentary groups, with the vote of two thirds of the members present, will
appoint the commissioner who will fill the vacancy following the process
established in the law. The appointment may be objected by the President of the
Republic within ten working days. Should the President of the Republic not object
the appointment within said period, the person appointed by the Senate of the
Republic shall take office as commissioner.

Should the President of the Republic Object the appointment, the House of
Senators will provide a new proposal, under the terms of the above paragraph, but
with the vote of three fifths of the members present. Should this second
appointment be objected, the House of Senators, under the terms of the above
paragraph, with the vote of three fifths of the members present, shall appoint the
commissioner who will fill the vacancy.

Commissioners shall be in office seven years and comply with the requirements
provided in fractions I, II, IV, I and VI of article 95 of this Constitution. They may not
hold another job, position or commission, except for unpaid jobs on educational,
scientific or charitable institutions, and may be removed from office under the terms
of Title Four of this Constitution and will be subject to impeachment.

Gender equity shall be ensured at the creation of the guarantor body.

The chief commissioner will be appointed by the other commissioners by secret
ballot for a period of three years with the possibility of reelection for a second
similar period. The chief commissioner will be responsible for reporting yearly to
the Senate, on the date and under the terms provided by the law.

The guarantor body shall have an Advisory Board, comprising ten counselors who
will be elected by the vote of two thirds of the members of the House of Senators
present. The law will define the process to follow to submit the proposals by the
Chamber. The two longest serving counselors in office will be yearly replaced,
except when proposed and endorsed for a second period.

The law will establish the enforcement measures that the guarantor body to ensure
the compliance of their decisions.

Every authority and public servant will be compelled to cooperate with the
guarantor body and its members for a proper performance of their duties.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
The guarantor body shall coordinate actions with the Federal Superior Auditor, with the entity specialized on files and the agency in charge of regulating the collection, processing and publication of statistics and geographic information, as well as State guarantor bodies, with the purpose of strengthening the accountability of the Mexican State.

B. On the broadcast and telecommunication area:

I. The Federal State will guarantee the population integration into the information and knowledge society, through a universal digital inclusive policy with annual and six-year goals.

II. Telecommunications are general interest public services, therefore, the Federal State shall guarantee they are provided under conditions of competition, quality, plurality, universal coverage, interconnection, convergence, continuity, free access and free of arbitrary interference.

III. Broadcasting is a general interest public service, therefore, the Federal State shall guarantee they are provided under conditions of competition and quality and providing cultural benefits for all the population, preserving plurality and truthfulness of the information, as well as encouraging the national identity values, contributing to the purposes established on Article 3rd of this Constitution.

IV. Broadcasting publicity or advertising presented as journalistic or news information is forbidden; The terms ruling the content and contracting of services for communication to the public, including those related to the concessionaire liability regarding the information broadcasted on behalf of third parties, without affecting free speech and broadcast.

V. The law will establish a public decentralized body with technical, operating, decision and management autonomy, which will have the purpose of providing a non-profit broadcasting service, in order to ensure access to the largest number of people on each state of the Federation, to content promoting national integration, training, culture and civic education, equality women between men and women, dissemination of impartial, objective, timely, truthful information about national and international events, and providing an area
for independent production works, as well as expression of diversity and plurality of ideas and opinions that strengthen the democratic life of society.

The public body will have a Citizen Council with the purpose of ensuring independency and an impartial and objective editorial policy. It will have nine honorary counselors who will be elected by an extensive public referendum on the vote of two thirds of the members in attendance of the House of Representatives or, at recess, of the Permanent Commission. Counselors will hold office in a staggered fashion, and the two with the greater seniority in the office will be yearly replaced, except if ratified by the Senate for a second period.

The head of the public body will be appointed, by proposal of the Federal Executive, with the vote of two thirds of the members in attendance of the House of Representatives or, on recess, of the Permanent Commission. He will hold office for five years and could be appointed for a new period only once, and only the majority of the Senate could remove him.

The President of the body will annually present to the Executive and Legislative Branches of the Union an activity report. For the latter, he will appear before the House of Congress under the terms appointed by the laws.

VI. The law shall establish the rights of telecommunication users, of hearings, as well as the protection mechanisms.

(Amended by decree published on 11 June, 2013)

**Article 7th.** Freedom to disseminate opinions, information and ideas on any media is inviolable. This right cannot be restricted by indirect ways or means, - as the abuse of official or particular controls, paper for newspapers, broadcasting frequencies or appliances and instruments used to disseminate information or any other media and information technology guided to prevent communication and circulation of ideas and opinions.

Neither laws, nor authorities can establish previous censorship or restrict freedom of dissemination, which has no limits but those stated in the first paragraph of Article 6 of this Constitution. Under no circumstances assets used to disseminate information, opinions and ideas shall be confiscated as an instrument of an offense.
Article 8.

Public officers and employees will respect the exercise of the right to petition provided that petition is made in writing and in a peaceful and respectful manner.

Regarding political petitioning, only citizens have this right. Every petition must be decided in writing by the authority to whom it was addressed, who has the duty to reply to the petitioner within a brief term.

Article 9

The right to peacefully associate or assembly for any licit purpose cannot be restricted. Only citizens of the Republic may take part in the political affairs of the country. No armed meeting has the right to deliberate.

Meetings organized to make a petition or to submit a protest to any authority cannot be considered as unlawful, nor be broken, provided that no insults are uttered against the authority and no violence or threats are used to intimidate or force the decision of such authority.

Article 10

The inhabitants of the United Mexican States have the right to keep arms at home, for their protection and legitimate defense, with the exception of those which are prohibited by the Federal Law and those which are reserved for the exclusive use of the Army, Navy, Air Force and National Guard. Federal Law will state the cases, conditions, requirements and places where inhabitants can be authorized to carry weapons.

Amended by decree published on August 15, 2016)

(First paragraph was reformed by the decree published on June 10, 2011)
Article 11.- Any person has the right to seek and receive political asylum. Granting of refugee status and political asylum shall be according to international treaties and the law shall regulate sources and exceptions.

(Added by the decree published on June 10, 2011)

In case of political persecution, any person has the right to seek political asylum, which will be provided for humanitarian reasons. The law shall regulate the cases in which political asylum should be provided, as well as the exceptions.

Article 12

No titles of nobility, nor prerogatives and hereditary honors shall be granted in the United Mexican States. Furthermore, those granted by any other country shall have no effect.

Article 13

No one can be tried under special laws or special courts. No person or corporation can have any privileges, nor enjoy emoluments, other than those given in compensation for public services and which must be established by the law. Military jurisdiction prevails for crimes and faults against military discipline; but, under no case and for no circumstance, military courts can extend their jurisdiction over persons who are not members of the Armed Forces. Civilians involved in military crimes or faults shall be put on trial before the competent civil authority.

Article 14

No law will have retroactive effect.

No one can be deprived of his freedom, properties or rights without a fair trial before previously established courts, complying with the essential formalities of the proceedings and according to those laws issued beforehand.
With regard to criminal trials, it is forbidden to impose any penalty which has not been expressly decreed by a law applicable to the crime in question, arguing mere analogy or majority of reason.

In civil trials, final sentence must agree the law writing or the legal interpretation thereof. In the case of lack of the appropriate law, sentence must be based on the general principles of law.

(Reformed by the decree published on June 10, 2011)

Article 15

The United Mexican States disallow international treaties for extradition when the person to be extradited is politically persecuted, or accused of ordinary crime while having the condition of a slave in the country where he/she committed the crime, as well as the agreements or treaties that alter the human rights established by this Constitution and the international treaties signed by the Mexican State.

(Reformed through a decree published on June 18, 2008)

Article 16

No person shall be in his private affairs, or his home invaded, without a written order from a competent authority, duly explaining the legal cause of the proceeding.

(Added through a decree published on June 1, 2009)

All people have the right to enjoy protection on his personal data, and to access, correct and cancel such data. All people have the right to oppose disclosure of his data, according to the law. The law shall establish exceptions to the criteria that rule the handling of data, due to national security reasons, law and order, public security, public health, or protection of third party’s rights.

(Errata published on June 25, 2009)
Only judicial authority can issue an arrest warrant. Such arrest warrant shall always be preceded by a formal accusation or charge of misconduct considered as criminal offence, punishable with imprisonment, provided that there is evidence to prove that a crime has been committed and that the defendant is criminally liable.

The authority executing an arrest warrant shall bring the accused before the judge without any delay and under its sole responsibility. Fail to comply with this provision will be punished under criminal law.

In cases of flagrante delicto, any person may arrest the offender, turning him over without delay to the nearest authorities, which in turn, shall bring him before the Public Prosecution Service. A record of such arrest must be done immediately.

The Public Prosecution Service may order arrest of the accused, explaining the causes of such decision, only under the following circumstances all together: a) in urgent cases, b) when dealing with serious offence, c) under reasonable risk that the accused could evade the justice and, d) because of the time, place or circumstance, accused cannot be brought before judicial authority.

In cases of urgency or flagrancy, the judge before whom the prisoner is presented shall immediately confirm the arrest or order his release, according to the conditions established in the law.

In the case of organized crime, and at the request of the Public Prosecution Service, judicial authority can order to put a person into hold restraint, complying with the terms of time and place established by law and without exceeding forty days, whenever necessary for the success of the investigation, the protection of people or legal goods, or when the accused could be avoiding the action of justice. The forty days’ term can be extended, provided that the Public Prosecution Service proves that the causes that originate hold restraint still remain. In any case, the hold restraint shall not last more than eighty days.

The term organized crime is defined as the organization of three or more people gathered together to commit crimes in a permanent or frequent manner, in the terms provided by the correspondent law.
No accused person shall be held by the Public Prosecution Service for more than forty-eight hours. After this term, his release shall be ordered or he shall be brought before a judicial authority. Such term may be duplicated in case of organized crime. Any abuse shall be punished by criminal law.

Only a judicial authority can issue a search warrant at the request of the Public Prosecution Service. The search warrant must describe the place to be searched, the person or persons to be apprehended and the objects to be seized. Upon the conclusion of the search, a report must be compiled at the site and before two witnesses proposed by the occupant of the place searched or, in his absence or refusal, by the acting authority.

Private communications shall not be breached. The law shall punish any action against the liberty and privacy of such communications, except when they are voluntarily given by one of the individuals involved in them. A judge shall assess the implications of such communications, provided they contain information related to the perpetration of a crime. Communications that violate confidentiality established by law shall not be admitted in any case.

Only the federal judicial authority can authorize telephone tapping and interception of private communications, at the request of the appropriate federal authority or the State Public Prosecution Service. The authority that makes request shall present in writing the legal causes for the request, describing therein the kind of interception required, the individuals subjected to interception and the term thereof. The federal judicial authority cannot authorize telephone tapping nor interception of communications in the following cases: a) when the matters involved are of electoral, fiscal, commercial, civil, labor or administrative nature, b) communications between defendant and his attorney.

The judiciaries shall have control judges who shall immediately and by any means solve the precautionary measures requests and investigation techniques, ensuring compliance with the rights of the accused and the victims. An authentic registry of all the communications between judges and the Public Prosecution Service and other competent authorities shall be kept.
Authorized telephone tapping and interception of communications shall be subjected to the requirements and limitations set forth in the law. The results of telephone tapping and interception of communications that do not comply with the aforesaid requirements will not be admitted as evidence.

Administrative authorities shall have powers to search private households only in order to enforce sanitary and police regulations. Administrative authorities can require the accounts books and documents to corroborate compliance with fiscal provisions, following the procedures and formalities established for search warrants. The sealed correspondence circulating through the mail shall be exempt from any search and the violation thereof shall be punishable by the law.

During peacetime, no member of the Army can be quartered in a private house against the owner’s will not impose any requirements.

During a war, soldiers can demand lodging, baggage, food and other requirements in the terms set forth by the applicable martial law.

(Reformed through a decree published on June 18, 2008)

Article 17

Nobody can take justice into their own hands, nor have resort to violence to enforce his rights.

All people have the right to enjoy justice before the courts and under the terms and conditions set forth by the laws. The courts shall issue their rulings in a prompt, complete and impartial manner. Court’s services shall be free, judicial fees are prohibited.

(Added through a decree published on July 29, 2010)

The Mexican Congress shall enact laws to regulate collective actions. Such laws shall establish the cases in which each law applies, as well as the judicial proceedings and the
remedies for redress. Only the federal judges have jurisdiction on these proceedings and remedies.

The laws shall provide alternative mechanisms to resolve controversies. Regarding to criminal matter, the laws shall regulate application of such mechanisms, ensure redress and establish the cases in which judicial supervision is required.

Oral proceedings shall end with a sentence, which shall be explained in a public hearing before the parties.

Federal and local laws shall provide the necessary means to guarantee the independence of the courts and the full enforcement of their rulings.

The Federation, the states and the Federal District must have a good public defender office and shall provide the conditions for a professional career service for the defenders. The defenders’ fees shall not be inferior to the public prosecutors’ fees.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
The Federation and the States shall guarantee the existence of a good quality public defender service for the population and shall ensure the conditions of a professional career service for defenders. The defenders’ salary may not be lower that the salary of the agents from the Public Prosecution office.

Imprisonment shall be forbidden as a way to punish civil debts.

(Reformed through a decree published on June 18, 2008)

Article 18

Preventive custody shall be reserved for crimes punishable by imprisonment. Preventive prisons shall be completely separated from the prisons used for convicted persons.
Prison system shall be organized on the basis of the respect for human rights, as well as the work, training, education, health and sports as a means to achieve inmate’s social rehabilitation, advising him/her not to transgress again and explaining him/her the benefits of complying with the law. Women and men shall be imprisoned in separate places.

The Federation and the States may hold agreements for those sentenced for crimes within their jurisdiction to terminate their punishment in different jurisdiction detention facilities.

The federation and the States shall establish within their respective jurisdictions, a comprehensive justice system for teenagers, which shall be applied to those charged with the commission or participation in an act appointed by law as a crime and who are between 12 years of age and under eighteen years of age. This system will guarantee the human rights acknowledged by the Constitution for all people, as well as those specific rights that due to their condition as developing people have been acknowledged for teenagers. People under twelve years of age who are charged with a commission or participation of an act appointed by the law as a crime, may only be subject to social assistance.

The Federation, the states and the Federal District can make and execute agreements to send inmates to serve their sentence in prisons under a different jurisdiction.

The Federation, the states and the Federal District shall establish, within the field of their respective powers, an integral justice system for minor offenders between twelve and seventeen years of age, guaranteeing their fundamental rights recognized by this Constitution are ensured, as well as those specific rights for children. People under twelve years of age who have committed a crime shall only be subjected to rehabilitation and social assistance.

The management of this system will be organized by institutions, courts and authorities who are specialized on legal proceedings regarding teenagers. This system must give advice and protect teenagers, and shall study each particular, protecting teenager’s interests.
If appropriate, alternative forms of justice may be used. Due process of law and independence among authorities in charge shall be observed whenever an adolescent is prosecuted. Measures imposed to teenagers shall be proportional to the misconduct and shall seek teenager’s social and family reintegration, as well as his complete development. Confinement shall only be used as an extreme measure and for a brief period of time. Confinement can be applied only to teenagers above fourteen years of age who have committed grave and antisocial behavior.

(Amended by decree published on July 2, 2015)
The alternate forms of justice that shall be observed in the application of this system, where appropriate. The process of justice for teenagers will be an accusatorial procedure and oral trial, which will observe the guarantee of the legal due process, as well as the independence of the authorities performing remission and enforcing measures. These shall be proportional to the act committed and will have the purpose of the social and family reinsertion and reintegration of the teenager, as well as the full personal and capacity development. Imprisonment will only be used as an extreme measure and for the shortest appropriate period of time, and may apply only to teenagers over fourteen years of age, for the commission or participation in an act appointed by the law as a crime.

Mexicans who are serving imprisonment penalties in foreign countries may be brought to the United Mexican States to serve their sentences. Foreigners who are serving imprisonment penalties may be transferred to their countries, in accordance with international treaties. Prisoner must grant his consent for transfer.

Convicts may serve their sentence in the penitentiaries closer to their home, in order to encourage their reintegration to the community. This provision shall not be applicable to organized crime and to inmates who require special security measures.

Special centers shall be created for preventive imprisonment and for penalties regarding organized crime. The competent authority can restrict communication between accused person or prisoner and third parties in the event of organized crime, except for defender. The authority also can impose measures of special surveillance on these inmates. This provision can be applied to other inmates who require special security measures.

(Reformed through a decree published on June 18, 2008)

Article 19
Detention before a judicial authority in excess of 72 hours are prohibited without formal charges indicating the crime, place, time and circumstances of such crime; as well as the evidence of the crime and of the probable liability of the accused.

(Reformed by the decree published on July 14, 2011)

The Public Prosecution Service can request the judge preventive prison only when other precautionary measures are not enough to ensure the presence of the accused in his trial, the development of the investigation, the protection of the victim, witnesses or community, as well as when the accused is on trial or had been previously convicted for having committed an intentional crime. Also, the judge will order preventive prison, by its own motion, in the following cases: organized crime; deceitful homicide; rape; kidnap; trafficking in persons; crimes committed using firearms, explosives or other violent instruments; and serious crimes against national security, the right to freely develop personality and the public health.

The law shall establish the cases in which the judge can revoke liberty granted to the individuals subjected to trial.

The term to issue the detention order may be extended only at the request of the accused, according to the procedure set forth by the law. Prolonging the detention shall be sanctioned by penal law. The authority in charge of the establishment where the accused is, shall attract the judge’s attention if it does not receive a copy of the detention order or the extension request in the term indicated above as soon as the term ends. If the authority does not receive the detention order within the next three hours, the accused shall be freed.

Every proceeding will treat only the crime or crimes mentioned in the detention order. If within the course of proceedings, another crime appears, it shall be charged on a separate investigation. Charge accumulation may be ordered, if appropriate.

In the event that, after the detention order has been issued for an organized crime charge, the accused evades the justice or is transferred to a foreign judge, the trial and the expiry date of the criminal action will be suspended.
Treatment during the arrest or imprisonment, any annoyance without legal justification, any tax or contribution in jails, constitute an abuse which the law shall correct and the authorities shall repress.

(Reformed through a decree published on June 18, 2008)

Article 20

Criminal proceedings will be accusatory and oral. It shall be ruled by the principles of open trial, contradiction, concentration, continuity and contiguity.

A. General principles:

I. Criminal proceedings shall aim elucidation of the facts, innocent person’s protection, preventing impunity and redress.

II. In every hearing, a judge must be present. The judge cannot delegate to somebody else the submission and evaluation of evidence, which shall be done in a free and logic manner.

III. Only the evidence submitted in the hearing shall be used for the sentence. The law shall establish the exceptions for the above and the pertinent requirements.

IV. The trial shall be carried out before a judge who has not previously handled the case. All arguments and evidence shall be presented in a public, contradictory and oral manner.

V. The accuser must provide the evidence necessary to demonstrate defendant’s guilt. Both parties are equal during the proceeding.
VI. No judge can talk about the trial with one of the parties without the presence of the other one, taking always into account the principle of contradiction, except for the cases predicted by this Constitution.

VII. Criminal proceeding can be terminated in advance, provided that the defendant agrees and according to the law. If the defendant, voluntarily and aware of the consequences, acknowledges his guilt and there is enough evidence to corroborate the charges, the judge shall call to a sentence hearing. The law shall establish the benefits granted to the defendant in case he accepts his guilt.

VIII. The judge shall convict only when the guilt of accused is certain.

IX. Any evidence obtained by violating the defendant’s fundamental rights shall be null and void.

X. These principles shall be observed also in the preliminary hearings.

B. Defendant’s rights

I. The defendant is innocent until proven guilty through a sentence issued by a judge.

II. Accused has the right to keep silent. From the moment of his arrest, the defendant shall be informed about the charges against him and his right to keep silent, which cannot be used against him. All forms of intimidation, torture and lack of communication are forbidden and shall be punished by the law. Any confession made without the assistance of a defender shall have no weight as evidence.

III. Every arrested person has the right to be informed of the grounds of arrest and of his rights at the moment of his arrest and while appearing before the Public Prosecution.
Service or a judge. In the case of organized crimes, the judicial authority can authorize to keep the accuser’s name in secret.

The law shall establish benefits for the accused or convicted person who provides effective assistance in the investigation of felonies related to organized crime.

IV. All witnesses and any other evidence submitted by the defendant shall be admitted within the term established by law. Judicial authority shall assist defendant to enforce appearance of those witnesses whose testimony he may request, in the terms set forth by the law.

V. Defendant shall be judged in an open trial by a judge or court. This provision may be restricted for reasons related to national security, public safety, protection of victims, witnesses and minors, disclosure of legally protected data or when the court considers that it is justified to do so.

In the case of organized crime, all acts performed during the investigation shall serve as evidence when they cannot be reproduced during the trial or there is a risk for witnesses or victims. The accused has the right to object or contest such evidence.

VI. The defendant has the right to be provided with all the information on record in the proceeding for his defense.

The accused and his counsel can access to the investigation records: a) when the accused is under arrest, b) when he makes his statement or is interviewed, c) before the first hearing. Once the first hearing has been carried out, information on investigation cannot be kept in secret, except for exceptional cases determined by the law, whenever that is imperative to ensure the success of the investigation and provided that they are revealed in time to safeguard defendant’s rights.

VII. Accused shall be tried within a term of four months in the case of crimes punishable with a maximum penalty of two years of imprisonment; and within a term of one year if the
crime is punishable with a penalty exceeding such term, unless he requests a longer term to prepare his defense.

VIII. Defendant has the right to a lawyer, whom he shall freely choose even from the moment of his arrest. If he does not want a lawyer or cannot appoint one, the judge shall appoint a public defender. Defendant’s lawyer is obliged to appear in all the acts related to defendant’s proceeding.

IX. Prison or arrest cannot be extended due to the lack of money to pay lawyer’s fees or any other monetary cause, civil liability or any other similar motive.

Preventive prison cannot exceed the time established by law as maximum punishment for the crime in question. In no case, preventive prison shall exceed the term of two years, unless defendant asks for a longer time to prepare his defense. If after said term a sentence has not been pronounced, the defendant shall be freed immediately while the trial continues. However, other precautionary measures may be used.

The duration of detention counts for a sentence term.

**C. Victim’s rights:**

I. The victim has the right to be informed about his rights and, whenever he should so require it, to be informed about the state of the criminal proceedings.

II. The Public Prosecution Service must receive all the evidence submitted by the victim during the preliminary criminal inquiry as well as during proceedings. The Public Prosecution Service must carry out the necessary steps to assists the victim. The victim has the right to intervene in the trial and to use the legal instruments according to the law.
Whenever the Public Prosecution Service does not consider necessary to carry out the steps required by the victim, he must state the grounds of law and fact justifying his refusal.

III. The victim has the right to receive urgent medical and psychological assistance from the moment the crime was committed.

IV. The victim has the right to redress. Whenever it should be legally admissible, the Public Prosecution Service is obliged to require redress. The victim also can request such redress by himself. The judge cannot acquit the convict of redress in the case of conviction.

The law shall set forth agile procedures to enforce redress sentences.

(Reformed by the decree published on July 14, 2011)

V. The judge must keep in secret victim’s identity and other personal data in the following cases: minor involved; rape, trafficking in persons, kidnap, organized crime; and when necessary to protect the victim, always respecting the defendant’s rights.

The Public Prosecution Service shall ensure the protection of victims, offended parties, witnesses and all others who take part in the trial. The judges are obliged to oversee proper compliance with this obligation.

VI. The victim can request the necessary precautionary measures to protect his rights.

VII. The victim can contest, before the judicial authority, the Public Prosecution Service’s omissions in the criminal investigation, as well as the resolutions with reservation, lack of exercising, abandonment of criminal prosecution or proceeding suspension when redress has not been completed.

(Reformed through a decree published on June 18, 2008)
Article 21

It is the Public Prosecution Service’s responsibility to investigate crimes together with police bodies, who shall work under the Public Prosecution Service’s command.

The exercise of the criminal prosecution before the courts is exclusive to the Public Prosecution Service.

The law shall define the cases in which civilians can exercise criminal prosecution before the judicial authority.

Only judicial authority can impose penalties, modify them and state the pertinent term for them.

It is the administrative authority’s responsibility to apply the penalties for breaking the rules. Such penalties may be fines, arrest up to thirty-six hours or community work. The fine may be exchanged by the appropriate incarceration term, which shall never exceed thirty-six hours.

If the offender is a laborer, worker or employee, he may not be fined for an amount exceeding one day of wage.

If the offender is not a salaried worker, the fine shall not exceed the amount equivalent to one day of his income.

The Public Prosecution Service can state exceptions to support exercising of criminal prosecution in the cases and conditions set forth by the Law.

The President of the Mexican Republic can accept the jurisdiction of the International Criminal Court, provided that he has obtained Senate’s approval.
Public security is a responsibility of the Federation, the states and the local councils. Public security includes prevention of crimes, investigation and prosecution, as well as punishment for breaking the administrative rules, but according to the law, in the respective competences provided by this Constitution. Performance of the institutions in charge of public security shall be ruled by the principles of legality, objectivity, efficiency, professionalism, honesty and respect to the human rights acknowledged by this Constitution.

Institutions in charge of public security shall be of a civil nature, disciplined and professional. The Public Prosecution Service and the police forces of three government levels shall coordinate each other to guarantee public security. They shall constitute the Public Security National System, which shall be subjected to the following provisions:

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

a) There should be a regulation for selection, admission, training, continuance, evaluation, appreciation and certification of the members of public security institutions. The Federation, the states and the local councils shall operate and develop public security actions in the field of their respective powers.

b) There should be a criminal and personnel database. No one can be recruited unless he has been duly certified and registered in the system.

c) There should be public policies intended to the prevention of crimes.

d) The community shall participate in processes like evaluation of the public security institutions and the policies intended to prevent crime.

e) Funds for public security, provided by the federal government to the states and local councils shall be used only for such goal.
(Reformed through a decree published on June 18, 2008)

Article 22

Cruel and unusual punishment is prohibited. Specifically, penalties of death, mutilation, infamy, marks, physical punishments, torture, excessive fines, confiscation of assets, and other similar. Every penalty shall be in proportion to the crime committed and to the legally protected interest.

Appropriation of assets shall not be considered as confiscation when such appropriation is ordered by the authority for the payment of taxes, fines or civil liability. Appropriation in the following cases shall not be deemed as confiscation: a) appropriation of property ordered by the judicial authority under the terms provided by Article 109 in case of illicit enrichment; b) appropriation of seized goods that were abandoned by the owner; and c) appropriation of goods, which ownership has been declared extinct by a sentence. In the event of ownership extinction, there shall be a procedure according to the following regulations:

I. Ownership extinction procedure shall be jurisdictional and autonomous from the criminal proceedings.

(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)

II. Ownership extinction procedure shall be applied in cases of organized crime, drug trafficking, kidnapping, car theft, human trafficking and embezzlement, and to the following goods:

a) Those goods that are instrument, object or product of a crime, even though criminal responsibility has not been established by a sentence, as long as there is enough evidence to determine that the crime has occurred.

b) Those goods that have been used to hide or mix crime assets, provided that the elements established in the previous clause have been met.
c) Those goods that are being used for the perpetration of a crime by a third party, if the owner was aware, but he did not notify to the proper authority or he did not try to stop it.

d) Those goods that are the property of third parties, but there are enough elements to conclude that they are the product of patrimonial or organized crime, and the accused of such felonies behaves like the owner.

III. Affected person can use the appropriate legal instrument to demonstrate the licit origin of the goods, the good faith and the ignorance about misuse of the goods.

Article 23

No criminal trial shall have more than three levels of government. No one can be tried twice for the same crime, whether he was acquitted or convicted. The practice of acquitting is prohibited.

(The first paragraph was amended by decree published on July 19, 2013)

Article 24.- Anyone has the right to freedom of ethical views, of conscience and religion, and having or taking, as the case may be, whichever they like. This freedom includes the right to participate, individually or collectively, both in public and private at ceremonies, dedications or acts of worship, as long as they are not a crime or transgression penalized by the law. Nobody can use public expression acts of this freedom with political purposes, proselytism or political propaganda.

Congress cannot dictate laws that establish or abolish any given religion.

Ordinarily, all religious acts will be practiced in temples, and those that extraordinarily are practiced outside temples must adhere to law.

(First paragraph amended by decree published on June 5, 2013)
Article 25.

The Federal State shall lead the national development which will be integral and sustainable. National Development shall not only strengthen the national sovereignty and the democratic regime, but also competitiveness by promoting the economic growth, employment growth and a fairer distribution of income and wealth allow the full enforcement of individual liberty and human dignity, as well as the enforcement of constitutional rights which groups and social classes are entitled to. Competitiveness will be understood as a set of conditions necessary to generate a higher economic growth promoting investment and employment creation.

(Added, subsequently moving them, by decree published on May 26, 2015)
The Federal State shall see after the stability of the public finances and financial system to generate favorable conditions for economic growth and employment. The National Development Plan and state and local council plans shall follow such principle.

The State shall plan, conduct, coordinate and direct national economic activity and shall carry out the regulation and promotion of the activities required by public interest within the frame established by this Constitution.

The public, social and private sectors shall contribute to the national economic development, with social responsibility, without detriment to other forms of economic activity that contribute to the development of the country.

(Amended by decree published on December 20, 2013)
The public sector shall be in charge, in an exclusive manner, of those strategic areas established in Article 28, paragraph fourth of the Constitution, and the Federal Government shall at all times keep ownership and control over the entities established for this purpose. The nation will perform the planning and control of the national electricity system, and the public service for transmission and distribution of electricity systems, as well as the exploration and extraction of oil and other hydrocarbons, under the provisions in paragraphs six and seven of article 27 of this Constitution. The law will set the rules for the above mentioned activities on matters of administration, organization, operation, contracting procedures and other legal acts executed by the productive State companies, as well as the salary remuneration system for their personnel to guarantee efficacy, efficiency, honesty,
productivity, transparency and accountability based on best practices, and will define further activities that may be performed.

Likewise, the State may, alone or together with the social and private sectors, stimulate and organize such areas which are a priority for development, in accordance with the law.

(Amended by decree published on December 20, 2013)
The State shall support and stimulate social and private enterprises, under criteria of social equity, productivity and sustainability and subjected to the public interest and to the use of the productive resources, preserving them and the environment.

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The Law shall establish mechanisms to facilitate organization and expansion of economic activity of the social sector: farming cooperatives (ejidos), workers’ organizations, cooperatives, rural communities, enterprises which are majority or exclusively owned by workers and, in general, all the different social organizations for production, distribution and consumption of such goods and services that are necessary for society.

(Amended by decree published on June 5, 2013)
The law shall encourage and protect the economic activity by individuals and provide the conditions for the development of the private sectors to contribute with the economic development of the nation promoting competitiveness and implementing a national policy for industrial development that includes sector and region strands under the terms of this Constitution.

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Article 26
A. The Federal State shall organize a democratic planning system for the national development. Such system shall provide strength, energy, competitiveness, permanency and fairness for the economic growth in order to assure the Nation’s independence as well as its, social and cultural democratization.

National objectives, included in this Constitution, shall determine national planning. National planning shall be democratic and deliberative. The democratic planning system shall collect the different aspirations and demands from the whole society to include them into the development programs and plan. All the programs carried out by the federal government must be subjected to the national development plan.

The law will empower the Executive to establish the procedures for participation and referendum in the national democratic planning system, as well as the criteria for formulation, instrumentation, control and evaluation of the planning and bases for the Federal Executive to coordinate through agreements with the governments of the federal states and prompts and coordinates with individuals the development and execution actions. The National development plan will include continuity and necessary adjustments to the national policy for industrial development with sector and regional strands.

The law shall define the intervention of the Congress of the Union in the democratic planning system.

The law shall define the intervention of the Congress of the Union in the democratic and deliberative planning system.
B. The State shall have a National System of Statistical and Geographical Information, which shall provide official data. All data contained in this system shall be mandatory for the Federation, the states, the local councils, and the territorial demarcations of according to the law.

The National System of Statistical and Geographical Information shall be ruled and coordinated by an organism, which shall have technical and management autonomy, legal personality and its own assets. Such organism will have the necessary powers to regulate data collection, processing and publication of information.

The organism shall have a board composed by five members, one of them shall be the chairman of both, the board and the organism. The five members shall be designated by the President of the United Mexican States and approved by the Senate, or by the Permanent Committee during recess.

The law shall define the organization and functioning of the National System of Statistical and Geographical Information, according to the principles of access to information, openness, objectivity and independence. The law also shall establish the requirements to become a member of the board, as well as the tenure term and promotions.

The members of the board may be removed only due to a serious cause. They cannot have any other job, position or assignment, except for unpaid services in educational, scientific, cultural or beneficiary institutions. Board members shall be subjected to that established in the Title Four of this Constitution.

*Added by decree published on January 27, 2016*

The organism shall estimate under the terms provided by the law, the value of the Unit of Measure and Upgrade which will be used as unit of account, index, base, measure or reference to determine the amount of payment of the liabilities and assumptions provided in federal laws, state laws and Federal District laws, as well as other legal provisions that originate from all of the above.

*Added by decree published on January 27, 2016*

Liabilities and assumptions denominated in Measure and Upgrade Units will be considered in a specific amount and settled by delivering its equivalent in national
currency. The amount of the liability or assumption expressed in the units mentioned shall be multiplied times the value of said unit to the corresponding date.

(Added by decree published on January 27, 2016)

C. The Federal State shall have a National Evaluation Council for the Social Development Policy which shall be an autonomous body with legal personality and own patrimony, in charge of measuring poverty and assessing programs, objectives, goals and actions of the social development policy, as well as recommending under the terms provided by the law, which shall establish the coordination of the body with federal, local and municipal authorities for the exercise of their duties.

The National Council for the Evaluation of the Social Development Policy shall comprise a President and six Counselors who shall be Mexican citizens with renowned prestige in private and social sectors, as well as the academic and professional sectors; have a minimum ten years of experience in social development, and not having been part of any political party or having been a candidate to take public office in a popular election office. They will be appointed under the procedure provided by the law, the vote of two thirds of the members present of the House of Representatives. The appointment may be objected by the President of the Republic within ten working days, otherwise, the person appointed by the House of Representatives will take the counselor’s office. The two longest serving counselors will be replaced every four years, except when proposed and endorsed for a second period.

The President of the National Council for the Evaluation of the Social Development policy will be elected under the same terms as the above paragraph. The president will remain in office five years. The President may be reelected once and may be only removed from office under the terms provided in Title Four of this Constitution.

The President of the National Council for the Evaluation of the Social Development policy shall report activities yearly to the Branches of the Union. The President shall appear before the Houses of the Congress under the terms provided by the law.

Article 27

The property of all land and water within national territory is originally owned by the Nation, who has the right to transfer this ownership to particulars. Hence, private property is a privilege created by the Nation.

Expropriation is authorized only where appropriate in the public interest and subject to payment of compensation.
The Nation shall at all time have the right to impose on private property such restrictions as the public interest may demand, as well as to regulate, for social benefit, the use of those natural resources which are susceptible of appropriation, in order to make an equitable distribution of public wealth, to conserve them, to achieve a balanced development of the country and to improve the living conditions of rural and urban population. Consequently, appropriate measures shall be issued to put in order human settlements and to define adequate provisions, reserves and use of land, water and forest. Such measures shall seek construction of infrastructure; planning and regulation of the new settlements and their maintenance, improvement and growth; preservation and restoration of environmental balance; division of large rural estates; collective exploitation and organization of the farming cooperatives; development of the small rural property; stimulation of agriculture, livestock farming, forestry and other economic activities in rural communities; all this avoiding destruction of natural resources.

The following elements are the property of the Nation: all natural resources of the continental shelf and the seabed of the islands; all minerals and substances that are in seams, layers, masses or deposits and that have a nature different from the components of the soil, such as minerals from which metals and metalloids are extracted; beds with gemstones or salt; salt mines formed by sea water; the products derived from rock breaking, when their exploitation requires underground works; minerals or organic deposits susceptible to be utilized as fertilizers; solid mineral fuels; petroleum and all solid, liquid or gaseous hydrocarbons; and the space located over national territory, according to the extension and terms established by International Law.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

The following elements are the property of the Nation, according to the extension and terms established by International Law: internal sea waters; waters of lagoons and estuaries permanently or intermittently connected with the sea; waters of natural lakes which are directly connected with streams constantly flowing; river and affluent waters, from the site where the first permanent, intermittent or torrential waters start to flow, to the mouth in the sea, lakes, lagoons or estuaries owned by the nation; waters of the continuous or intermittent currents and their direct or indirect affluent, whenever their bed serves as border of national territory or between two states, or when they flow from one state to another or cross the country’s border; waters of lakes, lagoons or estuaries, which vessels, zones or shores are crossed by borderlines dividing one or more states or between the country and a neighboring country, or when the shoreline serves as a border between two states or between the country and a neighboring country; waters of springs flowing from beaches, maritime areas, streams, vessels or shores of lakes, lagoons or estuaries; waters extracted from mines; and the internal beds, shores and banks of lagoons and interior streams to the extend provided by the law. Underground waters may be freely extracted by artificial works and may be appropriated by the owner of the land. However, when the public interest so
requires or whenever other uses are affected, the President of the Republic may regulate extraction and use of underground waters and, even, establish prohibited zones. The same criteria shall apply to other waters belonging to the nation. Any other waters not included in the foregoing list, shall be considered as an integral part of the land through which they flow or their deposits. Nevertheless, if such waters are located in two or more properties, their use shall be considered as public, complying with provisions issued by the states.

(Amended by decree published on December 20, 2013)
(Amended by decree published on 11 June, 2013)
In the cases referred in the above paragraphs, the Nation’s domain is inalienable and not subject to adverse possession, and exploitation, use or development of its resources either by individual or companies incorporated according to the Mexican laws, will be possible only with license granted by the President of the Republic, according to the rules and conditions set by law, except on broadcasting and telecommunications, which will be granted by the Federal Telecommunications Institute. Legal regulation for projects or works to exploit minerals or substances mentioned in paragraph four will regulate the execution and verification of works performed or to be performed from their enforcement, regardless of the date when permissions were granted and failure to comply with the will cause cancellation of the works. The Federal Government has the power to establish natural reserves and cancel them. The President of the Republic shall make the corresponding statements in the cases and conditions provided by the laws. In the cases of radioactive minerals permissions will not be granted. Only the Nation is responsible for planning and controlling the national electricity system, as well as the public service for transmission and distribution of electricity system. These activities shall not be licensed, without prejudice to the State being able to celebrate contract with private individuals under the terms provided by the laws, which will establish the way in which private individuals may participate in other activities of the electricity industry.

(Added by decree published on December 20, 2013)
In the case of petroleum and solid, liquid or gaseous hydrocarbons underground, the property or the Nation is inalienable and not subject to adverse possession and no contracts or licenses shall be granted. In order to obtain an income for the State, which contribute to the long-term development of the Nation, the latter shall perform oil and other hydrocarbons exploitation and extraction activities, through assignments to State productive companies or through contracts between State owned companies and private individuals, under the term of the Regulatory Law. In order to comply with the objective of said assignments or contracts, the productive State owned companies may hire private individuals. In any case underground
hydrocarbons are property of the Nation and that shall be stated in assignments or contracts.

In the case of petroleum and solid, liquid or gaseous hydrocarbons, or in the case of radioactive minerals, neither licenses nor contracts shall be granted, nor shall survive the ones previously granted, if any. The State shall carry out exploitation of such resources under the terms set forth in the respective law. Only the State can produce, conduct, transform, distribute and supply electric power for public use. The State shall use the goods and natural resources required to serve such purpose.

Only the State can use nuclear minerals to generate nuclear energy. The State shall regulate the use of nuclear minerals. Nuclear energy will be used only for peaceful goals.

The Nation has sovereign rights and jurisdiction on the exclusive economic zone, situated outside the territorial sea. The exclusive economic zone stretches from the seaward edge of the country’s territorial sea out to two hundred nautical miles from its coast. In cases where said zone should produce a superposition over the exclusive economic zones of other countries, fixing of the boundaries shall be done through agreements with such countries.

The legal capacity to own Nation’s lands and waters shall be governed by the following provisions:

I. Only Mexicans by birth or naturalization and Mexican companies have the right to own lands and waters, and to obtain exploitation licenses for mines and waters. The State may grant the same right to foreigners, provided that they agree before the Department of Foreign Affairs to consider themselves as Mexicans regarding such property and not to invoke the protection of their governments in reference to said property, under penalty of forfeiting the property in favor of the country. Foreigners cannot acquire properties within the zone that covers one hundred kilometers along the international borders and fifty kilometers along the beach.

The State can authorize foreign States to acquire real estate for their embassies or legations in the same city where federal government powers reside, in accordance to the principle of reciprocity.
II. Religious associations, created in accordance with the terms provided in Article 130 and its regulatory law, can acquire, possess or manage properties essential for their religious activities.

III. Public and private charitable institutions, devoted to public assistance, scientific research, education, mutual assistance to their members, or any other lawful purpose cannot acquire other real estate than that which is essential to fulfill their objective, according to the regulatory law.

IV. Corporations based on shares can own rural lands, but only in the extension necessary to fulfill their objective.

The maximum area of land that such class of companies can hold in ownership for agricultural, livestock farming or forest activities is equivalent to twenty-five times the limits specified in section XV of this Article. The law shall determine the capital structure and minimum number of shareholders so that the lands owned by each shareholder do not exceed the limits established for small rural property. All individual rural properties, based on shares, will be cumulative for this purpose. Likewise, the law shall establish the requirements for the participation of foreigners in said corporations.

The law shall establish the registration and control procedures required to comply with the provisions of this section.

V. Duly authorized banks, in accordance with the credit institution law, can have capital imposed on urban and rural properties, but they cannot hold in property or in management, any more real estate than that which is entirely necessary to fulfill their direct objective.

(The first paragraph was amended by decree published on January 29, 2016) 

VI. The States and local councils shall have full legal capacity to acquire and possess all the real estate required for public services.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
Federal and state laws within their respective jurisdiction, shall establish the cases in which expropriation of private property is necessary for the public welfare, issuing the corresponding statement according to the laws of the administrative authority. Compensation for expropriation shall be based on the property value registered in the records of the land registry or Tax collector’s office, regardless such value has been defined by the owner or by the State and tacitly accepted by owner when paying taxes. Only the increased or decreased value of said private property, due to any improvements or deteriorations made after the tax appraisal, can be subjected to assessment by experts and to judicial resolution. Objects, which value is not fixed in tax collector’s office, can also be subjected to assessment by experts and to judicial resolution.

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The Nation shall execute the actions established in this Article through judicial proceedings. During said proceedings and under the appropriate court’s order, which shall be issued within one month, administrative authorities shall occupy, manage, auction or sell the lands or waters in question along with their appurtenances. In no case may such actions be revoked by the corresponding authorities before the execution sentence is pronounced.

VII. The legal capacity of farming cooperatives and communal land is recognized and their ownership over the land is protected, whether for human settlements or for productive activities.

The law shall protect the wholeness of the indigenous groups’ lands.

In order to promote respect and strengthening of the community life of farming cooperatives and communal land, the law shall protect the lands for human settlements and
shall regulate the uses of communal lands, forests and waters. The State shall implement actions to improve the quality of life of in such communities.

The law shall regulate the exercise of indigenous peoples’ rights over their land and of joint-title farmers over their parcels, respecting their will to adopt the best conditions for the use of their productive resources. The law shall establish the procedures whereby the members of a cooperative and indigenous people may: associate among themselves or with the State or with third parties; grant the use of their lands; transfer their land rights to other members of their rural community, in the event of farming cooperative. The law shall also set forth the requirements and procedures whereby the cooperative assembly shall grant their members private rights over land. In cases of transfer of ownership, the right of preference set forth by the law shall be respected.

Within a same rural community, no member of a cooperative can hold land exceeding five percent of the total land belonging to the farming cooperative. Land ownership must always adjust to the restrictions established in section XV.

The general assembly is the supreme authority of the farming cooperative or indigenous community, within the organizational structure and powers granted by law. The communal property commission is a body democratically elected according to the terms provided by the law. It is the representative organ of the farming cooperative and the one responsible to carry out the assembly’s decisions.

Restitution of lands, forests and waters to rural communities shall be done according to the terms provided in the law.

VIII. The following actions are null and void:

a) All appropriation of lands, waters and mountains from towns, villages, settlements or communities, made by political chiefs, governors or any other local authority in contravention of the law published on June 25, 1856, and other applicable laws and provisions;
b) All concessions, arrangements or sales of lands, waters or mountains, made by the Secretariat of Public Works, the Department of the Treasury or any other federal authority from the first day of December, 1876, to this date, which have illegally invaded farming cooperatives, indigenous land or lands of any other kind belonging to towns, villages, hamlets or communities.

c) All demarcation procedures, transactions, transfers or auctions performed during the period mentioned in previous paragraph and made by companies, judges or federal or state authorities, which have illegally invaded farming cooperatives, indigenous land or lands of any other kind belonging to towns, villages, hamlets or communities.

The only lands excepted from the nullity herein mentioned are those which have been distributed in accordance with the Law published on June 25, 1856, and have been owned for more than ten years, provided that the area does not exceed fifty hectares.

IX. Division or distribution made with error or vice among neighbors of a rural settlement may be annulled at the request of the three quarters of the neighbors who possess one quarter of the lands in question; or at the request of one quarter of the neighbors who possess three quarters of the lands in question.

X. Repealed

XI. Repealed

XII. Repealed

XIII. Repealed

XIV. Repealed
XV. Large rural estates are prohibited in the United Mexican States.

Small agricultural property is defined as the land which area does not exceed one hundred hectares of irrigated or damp soil per person, or the equivalent in other kind of soil.

Equivalence: one hectare of irrigated soil = two hectares of seasonal soil = four hectares of good quality pastureland = eight hectares of forest, mountain or arid pastureland.

The following properties are also considered as small agricultural property: a) up to one hundred and fifty hectares per person when the ground is dedicated to cotton cultivation if the lands are irrigated; b) up to three hundred hectares when dedicated to cultivate banana, sugar cane, coffee, henequen, rubber, palm, grapevine, olives, quinine, vanilla, cacao, agave, prickly pear or fruit trees.

Small livestock property is defined as the area that does not exceed the land necessary to maintain up to five hundred heads of big livestock or the equivalent in small livestock per person, in accordance with the law and with the fodder capacity of the soil.

When the owners or users improve the quality of land by reason of irrigation, drainage or any other works, the land will still be considered as small agricultural property, even if it exceeds the maximum limits established for good quality lands, provided that the requirements established by the law are met.

If the owner or user of a small livestock property improves the land and uses it for agricultural purposes, the area so utilized shall not exceed the limits mentioned under paragraphs second and third of this section corresponding to the quality of said lands before the improvement.

XVI. Repealed
XVII. Federal and state legislative bodies, shall enact laws establishing the procedures to transfer and divide out into plots large areas of land exceeding the limits set forth under sections IV and XV of this Article.

Excess land shall be partitioned and sold by the owner within a term of one year from the date of notification. If at the end of such term the excess land has not been transferred, it shall be sold by public auction. Under equal conditions, the right of preference established in the Statutory Law shall be respected.

Local laws shall organize the family estate, establishing which properties and goods must compose it. Family estate shall be inalienable and unencumbered.

XVIII. All contracts and concessions executed by previous governments, since 1876 to date, which have resulted in monopolization of national lands, waters and natural resources, under one sole person or company are declared subject to review, and the President of the Republic is empowered to declare any of them null and void whenever they imply a serious damage to public interest.

XIX. Based on this Constitution, the State shall establish the measures required to provide agrarian justice in a prompt and honest manner, in order to guarantee legal certainty in land ownership. The State shall provide legal advisers for farm workers.

All conflicts that could arise or are pending between two or more communities related to land limits or land ownership, are under federal jurisdiction. The law shall establish agrarian courts vested with autonomy and full jurisdiction, which shall be made up of judges proposed by the President of the Republic and approved by the Senate or by the Permanent Committee during recess period. The law shall establish an agency that provides agrarian justice to peasant farmers.

XX. The State shall provide good conditions to achieve total development in rural communities, for the purpose of creating jobs, guaranteeing welfare of the peasant population and their participation in national development. The State shall stimulate
agricultural, livestock and forestry activities for optimal uses of the land through infrastructure works, supply of raw materials, credits, training and technical support. The State shall also issue the statutory law for planning, organization, industrialization and marketing of agricultural and livestock production, since these are activities of public interest.

(Added by the decree published October 13th, 2011)

The comprehensive and sustainable rural development referred to in the previous paragraph shall also include, among its aims, that the State shall guarantee the sufficient and timely supply of basic nourishment established by law.

**Article 28**

In the Unites Mexican States, all monopolies, monopoly practices, state monopolies and tax exemptions are prohibited. Protectionist policies are also prohibited.

(Amended by decree published on 11 June, 2013)

Consequently, the law severely punishes, and authorities efficiently prosecute, any concentration or hoarding, in some or few hands, of necessary consumption articles with the purpose of rising prices; any agreement, procedure or combination by producers, industrialists, traders or service providers who in any way prevent free competition between them or to force consumers to pay inflated prices, and in general, anything which constitutes an unduly exclusive advantage in favor of one or several persons and with prejudice to the general public or any social class.

The laws shall establish bases to set maximum prices for articles, commodities or products considered as essential for the country’s economy or for popular consumption. Such laws shall also define distribution of said articles, commodities and products, in order to prevent that unnecessary or excessive intermediation cause shortage or price increases. The law shall protect and organize consumers’ interest.

(Added by decree published on 11 June, 2013)
The Federal State shall have a Federal Economic Competition Commission, which will be an autonomous body with the legal personality and its own budget, with the purpose of guaranteeing free competition and participation, as well as preventing, investigating and fighting monopolies, monopolistic practices, concentrations and other restrictions to the efficient operation of the markets, under the terms established in this Constitution and laws. The Commission shall have the necessary authority to effectively carry out its objective. The commission’s authority includes ordering measures to eliminate barriers for competition and free participation, regulating the access to essential inputs, and ordering disincorporation of assets, rights, or shares of economic players, at the necessary level to eliminate anti-competitive effects.

(Amended by decree published on December 20, 2013)

Functions exercised by the States exclusively in the following strategic areas shall not be monopolies: mails, telegraphs and radiotelegraphs; radioactive minerals and generation of nuclear energy; planning and control for the national electricity system, as well as the public service for distribution and transmission of electric power, and exploitation and extraction of petroleum and other hydrocarbons, under the terms provided in paragraphs six and seven or article 27 of this Constitution respectively, as well as the activities expressly stated by the laws issued by the Congress of the Union. Satellite communication and railroads are priority areas for the national development under the terms of article 25 of this Constitution, the Federal State shall protect the security and sovereignty of the Nation while leading and granting concessions or licenses keeping and establishing the domain or the respective communication routes pursuant to the corresponding laws.

The State shall have the agencies and companies required to efficiently manage the strategic and priority areas, where it may participate alone or together with the private and social sectors.

(Amended by decree published on December 20, 2013)

The Nation will have an autonomous Central Bank with the primary objective of procuring the stability of the national currency, thus strengthening the guidance of the State in respect to national development. No authority can order the Central Bank to provide financing. The Nation shall have a public trust called the Mexican Oil Fund for Stabilization and Development. The Central Bank will be the trust company of the Mexican Oil Fund to receive, manage and distribute, under the terms provided by the law, the income from the assignments or contracts referred to in paragraph seven of article 27 of this Constitution, with the exception of taxes.

The Central Bank and its activities, such as coin minting and bill issue, won’t be considered monopolies. The Central Bank shall regulate exchange rates, as well as banking and financial services. The management of the Central Bank shall be entrusted to the persons appointed by the President of the Republic and approved by the Senate or the Permanent Committee. They shall hold office for terms which duration and sequences are best suited to the autonomous exercise of their duties; they may only be removed for a serious cause and they cannot hold any other employment, position or assignment, except for those in which they act in the name of the Bank, and those unpaid activities carried out in
educational, scientific, cultural or charitable organizations. The persons in charge of the Central Bank may be subjected to impeachment in accordance with the provisions established in the Article 110 of this Constitution.

(Added by decree published on December 20, 2013)
The Executive Branch shall have the coordinated regulating bodies on energy matters called the National Hydrocarbons Commission and Power Regulating Commission under the terms provided by the law.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
Unions and workers’ associations will not be considered monopolies, which have been constituted to protect their own interests. Producers' cooperatives or associations will not be considered monopolies either, provided that their objective is to sell directly in foreign markets the domestic and industrial products which are the main source of wealth in the region where they are produced or which are not essential products. Such associations shall always be under the supervision or protection of federal or state government and shall obtain the previous authorization from the appropriate legislative body. Such legislative bodies can repeal any authorization granted to constitute the associations in question, by themselves or by the President of the Republic's request.

Privileges granted for a given period of time to authors and artists for them to produce their pieces of work and to inventors and those individuals who improve inventions will not be considered monopolies.

The State can grant concessions for the provision of public services or for the exploitation and use of property owned by the Nation, except for the exceptions established by the law. The laws shall set forth the requisites and conditions to guarantee that licensed services will be efficient and goods will be used for society’s interest.

The laws shall prevent concentration of State property in private hands. Concession of public services shall be carried out according to this Constitution.

Benefits can be granted to economic key activities, provided that such benefits general and temporary and do not impact substantially the Nation’s finances. The State shall supervise application of benefits and evaluate their results.
The Federal Telecommunications Institute is an autonomous agency, with legal personality and its own budget, with the purpose of an efficient broadcasts and telecommunications development, according to this Constitution and under the terms set by the laws. To this end, it will be in charge of regulating, promoting and supervising the use, development and exploitation of the radio spectrum, networks and provision of broadcast and telecommunication services, as well as the access to active, passive infrastructure and other essential inputs, guaranteeing compliance of articles 6th and 7th of this Constitution.

The Federal Telecommunications Institute will also be the authority in terms of economic competition of the broadcasting and telecommunication sector, thus it will exclusively enforce the faculties established in this Article and the laws for the Federal Economic Competition Commission and will asymmetrically regulate the participants in this markets with the purpose of effectively eliminating the barriers to competition and free participation. It will set limits for the national and regional frequency concentration, licensing and cross property controlling several media that are broadcasting and telecommunications concessionaires and provide services to the same market or geographic coverage area, and will order disincorporation of the assets, rights or parts necessary to ensure the compliance of these limits, guaranteeing articles 6th and 7th of this Constitution.

The Institute will grant, revoke, and authorize the transfer or change of shares control, ownership or operation of corporations related to telecommunications and broadcasting licensing. The Institute shall notify the Secretary of the area, previous to determination, who will be able to issue a technical opinion. Licenses may be for commercial, public, private and social use including communities and indigenous, which will be subjected, according to the purposes, to the principles established in articles 2nd, 3rd, 6th and 7th of this Constitution. The Institute will provide amount of the compensations for granting licenses, as well as for authorizing related services, with the previous opinion of the tax authority. The opinions referred herein are not binding and should be issued in a term not greater than thirty days; After said period without opinions issued, the Institute will continue with the corresponding procedures.
The radio spectrum licenses will be given by public tender, in order to ensure the highest participation, preventing concentration phenomena that would be contrary to the public interest and ensuring a lower price of the service for final users; in no case the factor to define the winner of the bid will be only economic. License for the public and social use will be nonprofit and will be granted by a direct appointment mechanism according to the law and under the conditions guaranteeing the transparency of the procedures. The Federal Telecommunications Institute will keep a public record of the licenses. The law will set an effective penalty scheme stating as the cause for revocation of the title of concession, among others, in compliance of final resolutions in cases of behavior linked to monopolistic practices. On revocation of concessions, the Institute will notify previously to the Federal Executive so, if applicable, it executes the responsibilities necessary to guarantee the continuity of the service provision.

(Added by decree published on 11 June 5, 2013)

The Federal Telecommunications Institutes shall guarantee that the Federal Government has the necessary concessions to exercise its functions.

(Added by decree published on 11 June 5, 2013)

The Federal Economic Competition Commission and the Federal Telecommunications Institute will be independent on decisions and operations, professional on their performance and impartial while acting, and will be regulated as follows:

I. They will give resolutions fully independently;

II. They will exercise their budget independently. The House of Representatives shall guarantee a sufficient budget in order to allow for an efficient and timely exercise of their powers;

III. They will issue their own organic statute, through a voting system by qualified majority;
IV. They will be able to issue general administrative provisions exclusively to meet the regulating function in the area of their core competence;

V. The laws will guarantee, within each body, the separation between the authority knowing about the investigation stage and the one resolving the procedures processed in a trial;

VI. The government agencies shall meet the transparency and access to information principles. They shall deliberate in a collegiate manner and shall decide on the cases by majority of votes; sessions, rulings and resolutions shall be public with the exceptions set by law.

VII. General standards, acts or omissions by the Federal Economic Competence Commission and the Federal Telecommunications Institute can be challenged only on an indirect amparo trial and will not be subjected to suspension. Only in the cases in which the Federal Economic Competition Commission dictates penalties or dissolution of assets, rights, partnership or shares, they will be executed until the promoted amparo trial is resolved. In the case of resolution by said bodies from procedures in the form of a trial, only the one ending the trial for violations on the resolution or during the procedure can be challenged; the general standards applied during the procedure can only be claimed in the amparo promoted against said resolution. Amparo trials will be processed by specialized courts and judges under the terms of Article 94 herein. In no case ordinary or constitutional resources against intra-procedural acts will be accepted.

VIII. The chiefs of the bodies will annually present to the Executive and Legislative branches of the Union, a work program, and quarterly an activity report; they will appear before the House of Senators annually and before the Houses of the Congress under the terms of Article 93 herein. The Federal Executive can request to any of the Houses the appearance of their chiefs before them;

IX. The laws shall promote for this bodies the government transparency under the terms of digital government and open data;
X. Compensation for Commissioners shall be adjusted according to Article 127 of this Constitution;

XI. Commissioners of the bodies can be removed from their office by two thirds of the members present at the Senate of the Republic, due to serious failure on the exercise of their powers, under the terms set by law, and

(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)

XII. Each body shall have an Internal Comptroller, its chief will be appointed by two thirds of the members present of the Chamber of Representatives, under the terms of the law

(Added by decree published on 11 June, 2013)

Government bodies, both the Federal Economic Competence Commission and the Federal Telecommunication Institutes, will be made up of seven Commissioners including the Commissioner President, appointed staggered by proposal of the Federal Executive and ratified by the Senate.

(Added by decree published on 11 June, 2013)

The President of each body will be appointed by the House of Senators from the commissioners, with the vote of two thirds of the members present, for a four years’ period, renewable only once. When a commissioner completing his office before said period is appointed, he will take the presidency only for the remaining time of this position as commissioner.

(Added by decree published on 11 June, 2013)

Commissioners should meet the following requirements:

I. Being a natural born citizen of Mexico who enjoys full civil and political rights;
II. Being over thirty-five years old;

III. Having a good name and not having been convicted for intentional crime that merited a prison sentence for over one year;

IV. Holding a professional degree;

V. Having worked, at least for three years, outstandingly in professional activities, public service or academic activities substantially related to economic areas, broadcast or telecommunications, as appropriate;

VI. Proving, under the terms of this precept, the necessary technical knowledge to take the office;

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

VII. Not having been Secretary of the State, Federal Attorney General, senator, federal or local representative, Governor of any State or Chief Minister of for the year previous to appointment, and

VIII. At the Federal Economic Competence Commission, not having taken, in the last three years, any job, position, or managerial role in the company that have been subjected to any of the penalty procedures processed by said body. At the Federal Telecommunications Institute, not having taken in the last three years, any job, position or managerial role in the companies of the commercial or private concessionaires or the entities related and subject to regulation by the Institute.

(Added by decree published on 11 June, 2013)

Commissioners will refrain from performing any other job, work or public or private commission, with the exception of the teaching positions; they will not be able to know cases where there is a direct or indirect interest, under the terms given by the law, and will
be subjected to the responsibilities of the Fourth Title of this Constitution and political judgment. The law will regulate the modalities for Commissioners to be able to make contact to deal with the cases under their control with people that represent the interest of the regulated economic agents.

(Added by decree published on 11 June, 2013)

Commissioners will be in office nine years and for no reason they will be able to take this office again. In case of an absolute lack of a commissioner, one shall be appointed following the procedure stated in this Article and the substitute will complete the respective period.

(Added by decree published on 11 June, 2013)

Aspirants to Commissioners shall attest compliance with requirements mentioned above, before an Evaluation Committee comprising the heads of the Bank of Mexico, the National Institute for Evaluation of Education and the National Institute of Statistics and Geography. For such purposes, the Evaluation Committee will install sessions whenever there is a commissioner vacancy, deciding by majority of vote and presided by the head of the entity with greater seniority in the office, and who will have the casting vote.

(Added by decree published on 11 June, 2013)

The Committee shall issue a public call to cover the vacancy; verifying the aspirants’ compliance with the requirements herein, and those meeting them, will take a knowledge exam on this subject. The procedure shall follow the transparency, publicity and highest participation principles.

(Added by decree published on 11 June, 2013)

In order to give the knowledge exam, the Evaluation Committee shall consider the opinion of at least two higher education institutions and will follow the best practices on this matter.
The Evaluation Committee shall send the Executive a list per vacancy of at least three and up to five aspirants with the highest test results. In case of not having the least number of aspirants, a new call will be given. The Executive will select from these aspirants the candidate to propose for ratification by the Senate.

(Added by decree published on 11 June, 2013)

Ratification will be by the vote of two thirds of the members present of the Senate, within a maximum period of thirty natural days from presenting the proposal; during recesses, the Permanent Commission will call the Senate. In case that the House of Senators rejects the candidate proposed by the Executive, the President of the Republic will present a new proposal according to the above paragraph. This procedure will be repeated as necessary if rejected until there is only one aspirant approved by the Evaluation Committee, who will be directly commissioned by the Executive.

(Added by decree published on 11 June, 2013)

All selection and appointment processes for commissioners are unassailable.

((First paragraph Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

First paragraph was reformed by the decree published on June 10, 2011)

**Article 29.** In case of invasion, serious breach of the public peace or any other event which may place society in severe danger or conflict, only the President of the United Mexican States, with the approval of the Congress of the Union or the Permanent Committee when in recess, can restrict or suspend, throughout the country or in a certain region, those constitutional rights and guarantees which may constitute obstacles to rapidly and easily face up to the situation. Such suspension of constitutional rights and guarantees shall be temporary and general, never a suspension can be applied on a single person. If suspension of constitutional rights and guarantees is requested within the period when the Congress is working, it shall grant the necessary authorizations for the President to cope with the situation. However, if suspension is requested during the Congress recess, the Congress will be convened immediately.
(Added by the decree published on June 10, 2011)

However, the decrees enacted under the situations described in the previous paragraph cannot restrict or suspend the exercise of the following rights and principles: the right to non-discrimination, the right to legal personality, the right to life, the right of personal integrity, the right of protection to the family, the right to have a name, the right to have a nationality, the children’s rights, the political rights, the freedom of thought, the freedom of religion, the principles of legality and retroactivity, the prohibition on the death penalty, the prohibition on slavery and servitude, the prohibition of disappearance and torture, and the judicial guarantees that are necessary to protect these rights and principles.

(Added by the decree published on June 10, 2011)

Restriction or suspension of constitutional rights and guarantees should be based on the provisions established by this Constitution, should be proportional to the danger, and should observe the principles of legality, rationality, notification, publicity and non-discrimination.

(Added by the decree published on June 10, 2011)

When the restriction or suspension of the constitutional rights and guarantees ends, because the deadline was met or the Congress so ordered, all legal and administrative measures taken during the restriction or suspension will be void immediately. The President of the Republic cannot make comments to the decree, through which the Congress revokes the restriction or suspension of the constitutional rights and guarantees.

(Added by the decree published on June 10, 2011)

The decrees enacted by the President of the Republic, during the restriction or suspension of the constitutional rights and guarantees, shall be immediately reviewed by the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation, which shall rule on their constitutionality and validity as soon as possible.

CHAPTER TWO

Mexican nationals
Article 30

Mexican nationality is acquired by birth or by naturalization.

A. The Mexican nationals by birth are:

I. Those born in the Mexican territory, regardless of their parents’ nationality;

II. Those born in a foreign country of Mexican parents born in national territory, of Mexican father born in national territory, or of Mexican mother born in national territory;

III. Those born in a foreign country of Mexican parents by naturalization, of Mexican father by naturalization, or of Mexican mother by naturalization; and

IV. Those born on board of Mexican military or merchant vessels or aircrafts.

B. The Mexicans by naturalization are:

I. Those aliens who obtain from the Department of Foreign Affairs a naturalization card.

II. Any foreign woman or man who marries a Mexican man or woman and establishes residence inside the Mexican territory, provided that foreigner complies with the other requirements set forth by the law for that purpose.
Article 31

Obligations of the Mexicans are:

Amended (through decree published on February 9th, 2012)

I. To make their children or pupils attend to the public or private schools to receive preschool, elementary, middle and higher education and the military under the terms set by the law.

II. To join the Nation Guard, according to the pertinent organic law, in order to defend and assure the Nation’s independence, territory, honor, rights and interest, as well as domestic peace an order, and

III. To pay taxes for federal, state and local spending, in accordance with the proportions established by law.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

IV. To contribute to public expenditure, the Federation, the States, and the Local Council where they live in a proportional and equitable manner provided by the law.

Article 32

The law shall regulate the way in which Mexicans having a second nationality will exercise their rights and shall also issue norms to avoid double citizenship conflicts.

Only Mexicans by birth can perform all government employments, positions, or commissions in which the status of citizenship is indispensable.
During peacetime, foreigners shall neither serve in the Army nor in the police bodies. During peacetime, only Mexicans by birth can serve in the Army, in the Navy or in the Air Force as well can perform any employment or commission within such corporations.

The same condition applies to captains, pilots, skippers, ship engineers, flight engineers and, in general, to every crew member in a ship or an airplane carrying the Mexican flag. In the same way, only Mexicans by birth can be port harbormasters, steersmen and airport superintendents.

Mexicans shall have priority over foreigners, under equal circumstances, for all kind of concessions, employments, positions or commissions of the government in which the status of citizenship is not indispensable.

CHAPTER III

The foreigners

(First paragraph was reformed by the decree published on June 10, 2011)

Article 33

The individuals lacking the qualities determined by Article 30 shall be considered as foreigners. They shall be entitled to the human rights and guarantees conferred by this Constitution.

(Added by the decree published on June 10, 2011)

The President of the Republic shall have the power to expel from national territory any foreigner, according to the law and after a hearing. The law shall establish the administrative procedure for this purpose, as well as the place where the foreigner should be detained and the time for that.

Foreigners may not in any way participate in the political affairs of the country.
CHAPTER IV

The Mexican citizens

Article 34

Mexican citizens shall be those individuals who are considered as Mexicans and fulfill the following conditions:

I. To be at least 18 years old, and
II. To have an honest way of life.

Article 35

Rights of citizens:

I. Right to vote.

(Amended by decree published on August 9, 2012)

II. To be elected for all popular election positions, having the capacity set by the law. The right to request registration of candidates before the electoral authority corresponds to the political parties, as well as citizens requesting independent registration and who meet the requirements, conditions and terms set by the law;

III. Right of assembly in order to peacefully participate in the country’s political affairs.

IV. Right to join Army or National Guard in order to defend the country and its institutions under the law.
V. Right to petition.

(Included by decree published on August 9, 2012)

VI. To be appointed for any job or commission of the public service, having the qualities set by the law;

(Included by decree published on August 9, 2012)

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

VII. To initiate laws, in the terms and with the requirements appointed by the Constitution and the Law of the Congress. The National Electoral Institute will have the faculties granted in this matter by law, and

(Included by decree published on August 9, 2012)

VIII. To vote in the referendum about national importance topics, which will be subject to the following:

1o. They will be called by the Congress of the Union and requested by:

a) The President of the Republic;

b) The equivalent to thirty-three percent of the members of any of the Chambers of the Congress of the Union; or

c) The citizens, in an equivalent number, at least, to two percent of those subscribed in the voters’ registration list, under the terms set by the law.

With the exception of the hypothesis mentioned in item c) above, the petition should be approved by the majority of each Chamber of the Congress of the Union, (sic)
2o. When the total participation corresponds, at least, to forty percent of the citizens subscribed in the voters’ registration list, the result will be binding for the Federal Executive and Legislative powers and for the competent authorities;

3o. The restriction of the human rights considered in this Constitution, the principles of article 40 therein; the electoral matter; State income and expenses; national security and the organization, operation and discipline of the permanent Army, may not be subject to popular consultation; The Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation will resolve, previous to the call by the Congress of the Union, about the constitutionality on the consultation matter;

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)
4o. The National Electoral Institute will be directly in charge of verifying the requirement provided in subparagraph c) of the 1st section of this fraction, as well as the organization, development, counting and declaration of results;

5o. Referendum will be performed on the same federal electoral day;

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)
6o. The resolutions of the National Electoral Institute may be challenged under the terms stated in fraction VI of article 41, as well as fraction III of article 99 of this Constitution; and

7o. Laws will set the necessary to make this section effective.

Article 36

Responsibilities of citizens:

I. To register himself at the respective tax office, declaring his property and profession or work. To register himself in the National Citizen Register, according to the law.
The State and the citizens shall organize and operate the National Citizen Register, which shall issue the Mexican citizen identity card.

II. To join the National Guard.

(Amended by decree published on August 9, 2012)

III. To vote in the elections and the referendum under the terms set by the law;

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

IV. To hold a federal or state elective office, which shall never be unpaid; and

V. To be councilor, electoral assistant and jury in the local council.

Article 37

A) The Mexican nationality by birth shall never be revoked.

B) The Mexican nationality by naturalization can be revoked in the following cases:

I. If the person voluntarily acquires a foreign nationality, pretends to be foreign citizen when subscribing a public document, uses a foreign passport or accepts or uses nobility titles which imply submission to a foreign State.

II. If the person lives abroad for five years in a row.
C) Mexican citizenship can be revoked in the following cases:

I. If the person accepts or uses nobility titles issued by foreign governments.

(Amended by decree published on September 30, 2013)

II. If the person voluntarily provides official services to a foreign government without approval of the Executive Branch;

(Amended by decree published on September 30, 2013)

III. If the person accepts or uses foreign decorations without approval of the Executive Branch.

The President of the Republic, the senators and representatives at the Congress of the Union and the ministers of the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation may freely accept and use foreign decorations;

(Amended by decree published on September 30, 2013)

IV. If the person accepts titles or employment from other country’s government without approval of the Executive Branch, except by literary, scientific or humanitarian titles, which can be freely accepted;

V. If the person helps a foreigner or foreign government against the Nation in any diplomatic controversy or international court.

VI. If the person performs any other act that can be punished by citizenship evocation according to the law.

(The last paragraph was removed by decree published on September 30, 2013)

Article 38

Citizens’ rights and prerogatives can be suspended in the following cases:
I. Unjustifiably failure to comply with the duties imposed by Article 36. This suspension shall last for one year and shall be imposed along with any other punishment which can be applied for such failure under the law.

II. If the person is on trial for a crime which deserves physical punishment. In such a case the trial counts from the date the detention order was issued.

III. If the person is serving time in prison.

IV. Due to vagrancy or customary inebriation.

V. If the person is a fugitive, from the moment in which the detention order has been issued to the moment when prosecution has expired.

VI. As a result of a sentence.

The law shall define the ways in which citizens’ rights will be revoked or suspended, as well as the recovery procedures.

**TITLE TWO**

**CHAPTER I**

**National sovereignty and form of state governance**

Article 39
The powers of the sovereignty are vested in the people. Public power comes from the people and it is institutionalized for the people’s benefit. People can change or modify its form of government.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

(Amended by decree published on November 30, 2012)

**Article 40.** Mexican people want to constitute into a representative, democratic, secular and federal Republic, made up by free and sovereign States in everything related to its internal system, and by the united in a federation established according to the principles of this fundamental law.

(The first paragraph was amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

(Reformed through a decree published on November 13, 2007)

**Article 41.** People exercise sovereignty through the Powers of the Union, according to the distribution of jurisdictions, and through the States and regarding their internal systems, under the terms respectively established in this Constitution, in every State constitution and in the constitution of which shall never challenge the Federal Pact foundations.

The legislative and the executive branches of Federal Government shall be renewed by the means of free, authentic and periodical elections. Such elections shall be subjected to the following principles:

(The first paragraph was amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

1. Political parties shall be considered as entities of public interest. The legislation shall specify the norms and requirements for their legal registry and specific forms of participation in the electoral process, and their corresponding right, obligations and prerogatives.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

Political parties have the main objectives to promote people’s participation in democracy, to contribute to the integration of political representation bodies as well as citizens’ organizations, to allow access by citizens to public power, according to their programs, principles and ideas and through universal, free, secret and direct vote, as well as the rules to guarantee gender parity in candidatures to federal and
local legislations. Only citizens can form and join freely and individually a political party. Intervention of labor unions or with a social aim different that the creation of political parties and from any other form of corporate associations is prohibited.

Electoral authorities can intervene in the internal issues of political parties only within the scope of the law and this Constitution.

(Added by decree published on February 10, 2014)

National political parties shall have the right to participate in federal, state and local elections. Registration of the national political party with less than three percent of the total valid votes casted in any of the elections held for renewal of the Executive Branch or of the Chambers of the Congress of the Union will be cancelled.

II. Federal law shall fairly provide national political parties with all necessary resources to carry out political activities. The law shall also regulate financing system for the parties, in order to prevent private funding to prevail over public funding.

Public funding for political parties shall consist of: a) public financing directed to cover the expenses generated by their ordinary and permanent activities, b) public financing for electoral activities during electoral processes. Public funding will be provided according to the law and the following principles:

(Amended [N.E. Republished] by decree published on January 29, 2016)

a) Public funding directed to cover ordinary and permanent activities shall be established annually by multiplying the total number of citizens registered in the electoral register by sixty-five percent of daily value of the Unit of Measure and Upgrade. The thirty percent of the amount obtained by such calculus shall be equally distributed among political parties, the other seventy percent shall be distributed according to the percentage of votes they have obtained at the previous election of Representatives.

b) Public financing for electoral activities in the year when President of the Republic, senators and representatives are elected shall be equal to the 50% of public funding provided under the previous paragraph. Public financing for electoral activities in the year when only representatives are elected shall be equal to the 30% of public funding provided under the previous paragraph.
c) Public funding for specific activities, related to education, training, socioeconomic and political research and publishing activities, shall be equal to the 3% of the total public financing for all parties according to paragraph “a” per year. The 30% of the amount obtained by such calculus shall be equally distributed among political parties, 70% shall be distributed according to the vote percentage they have obtained at the previous House of Representatives election.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)
The law shall define limits for spending in the internal process for candidate selection, as well as for electoral campaigns. The law shall also establish limits for monetary contributions provided by militants and sympathizers. The law shall also establish procedures to control, audit and monitor the origin and use of financial resources of the parties during the campaign, and shall determine the measures to punish any illegal activity in this respect.

The law shall establish procedures to help parties to pay their liabilities in the event that they loss registration, as well as to regulate the way their properties will be transferred to the State.

(The first paragraph was amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)
III. National political parties shall have the right to use media permanently. Independent candidates shall have the right to access prerogatives for electoral campaigns under the terms provided by the law.

(The first paragraph was amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)
Section A. The National Electoral Institute will be the only authority to define media time for the State and political parties at radio and television, according to the law and to the following provisions:

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)
a) From the run-up to the election campaign until the election date, the National Electoral Institute shall get forty-eight minutes daily, distributed in segments of two to three minutes per hour in each radio station and television channel, according to the schedule defined in subparagraph d) of this section. At the end of the run-up to the start of the campaigns, fifty percent of media time in radio and television will be appointed for the electoral authorities and the rest for the broadcast of generic messages from political parties as provided by the law;
b) During run-up, political parties shall get, jointly, one minute per hour at each radio station and channel. Remaining time shall be used according to the law.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)
c) During electoral campaigns, the media shall allocate to cover the right of political parties at least eighty-five percent of the time established in subparagraph a) of this section.

d) Transmissions about political parties shall be distributed between 18:00 and 24:00 hours.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)
e) Airtime shall be distributed among political parties and independent candidates in the following way: seventy percent shall be distributed among political parties according to the vote percentage they have obtained at the previous House of Representatives election, and the other thirty percent of airtime shall be equally distributed among political parties out of which a part may be for independent candidates all together.

f) Political parties that are not present in the Mexican Congress shall get at radio and television only the proportional part they deserve from the 30% mentioned in the previous paragraph.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)
g) Regardless of provisions from sections A and B of this base and outside run-up and federal electoral campaigns periods, the National Electoral Institute (INE in Spanish) shall get at radio and television up to twelve of the total airtime allocated for the State according to the laws and under any modality. From this twelve percent, the Federal Electoral Institute shall allocate fifty percent equally to national political parties. Remaining fifty percent shall be used by the INE or by another federal or state electoral authority. Every national political party shall distribute its airtime in the formats established by the law. Transmissions herein referred shall be subjected to the schedule established by the INE according to subparagraph d) of this Section. The INE can transfer airtime from one or more parties to another in special situations.
(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)
Political parties and candidates cannot buy airtime on television or radio by themselves or through third persons.

No private individual or legal entity can buy airtime on television or radio to influence political preference, or to promote or attack certain candidate or party. Such kind of media messages that have been contracted in a foreign country cannot be transmitted in the Mexican territory.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
The provisions established in the two previous paragraphs shall be observed by the States according to the applicable legislation.

(The first paragraph was amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)
Section B. During elections, the INE shall manage to allocate airtime to the states at local radio and television, according to the law and to the following provisions:

a) In the event of state elections that coincide with federal elections, airtime for the state shall be included within the total time allocated in accordance with paragraphs “a”, “b” and “c” of section “A”.

b) For the rest of electoral processes, allocation shall be done according to the law and to the criteria provided in this Constitution.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)
c) Airtime distribution among political parties, including local parties and independent candidates, shall be carried out in accordance with the criteria established in section A herein and with the applicable legislation.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)
If the National Electoral Institute considers that total airtime at radio and television, granted by this and the previous paragraphs, is not enough for its purposes, for another electoral authority’s purposes or for the independent candidates’ purposes, it can issue orders to cover the deficit within the powers vested to it.
Section C. In the political and election campaign advertising, the political parties and candidates cannot use terms or expressions that slander people.

During federal and local election campaigns until the election date, all governmental advertising shall be suspended, no matter it belongs to federal, state or local government, or to the government of Mexico City or to any other governmental agency. The only exceptions shall be informative campaigns carried out by electoral authorities, educational and health campaigns, or civil protection campaigns necessary in the event of emergencies.

Section D. The National Electoral Institute, through expeditious procedures, will investigate violations of these provisions and will complete the file to submitted to the knowledge and resolution by the Electoral Court of the Federal Judicial Branch. The institute may establish, among other provisional remedies, the immediate cancellation of transmissions at radio and television in accordance to the provision of the law.

IV. The law shall demarcate the terms for selection and nomination processes of candidates to elective offices. The law shall also establish the appropriate rules for run-up and election campaign.

The duration of the election campaign shall be ninety days for the year the President of the Republic, senators and representatives will be elected. The duration of the election campaign shall be sixty days for the year that only representatives will be elected. Never the duration of run-up to the election campaign shall exceed two-thirds of the period granted for election campaigns.

Infringement of these provisions by parties, private individuals or legal entities will be punished according to the law.

V. The State is responsible for organizing the federal elections through the National Electoral Institute and local public bodies under the terms provided by this Constitution.
The National Electoral Institute shall have electoral jurisdiction and independent character regarding its decisions and functioning, and shall be professional in its performance. The INE’s structure shall include managerial, executive, technical and surveillance bodies. The main directive body of the INE is the General Council, consisting of one President Councilor and eight Electoral Councilors from the Legislative Branch. The law shall regulate organization and functioning of the INE’s bodies, relationship among them, as well as with other local public bodies. The executive and technical bodies shall employ the qualified personnel necessary to exercise their powers. An internal control body, with technical and management autonomy will be responsible for auditing INE’s incomes and expenses. The electoral law and its derived regulations shall regulate labor relations between the INE and its employees. Surveillance bodies for the electoral register shall be integrated mainly by representatives of national political parties. The district commissions shall be integrated by citizens.

The President Councilor is elected to serve for a period of six years and may be reelected once only. The Electoral Councilors are elected at phased intervals for a period of nine years, but may not be reelected. The President Councilor and the eight Electoral Councilors shall be elected through the vote of two-thirds of the members present in the House of Representatives, from among the proposals put forward by the parliamentary groups, after an open consultation. The substitutes will conclude the period in the absence of the President Councilor or any Electoral Councilor. The law shall establish the appropriate rules and procedures.

The President Councilor and the Electoral Councilors cannot hold any other employment, job or commission, but those in which they represent the General Council as well as those performed for free in educational, scientific, cultural, researching or philanthropic associations. The wage of both the President Councilor and the Electoral Councilors shall be equal to the wage granted to the Supreme Court Ministers.

(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)

The Chief of the internal control body shall be elected through the vote of two-thirds of the members present in the House of Representatives, from among the proposals put forward by public high education institutions, according to the law. The Chief is elected to serve for a period of six years and may be reelected once only. The Chief shall be assigned to the President Councilor and shall maintain technical coordination with the Federal Government Watchdog Office.
The Executive Secretary shall be appointed by two-thirds of the General Council after his nomination by the President Councilor.

(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)

The law shall establish the requirements that every individual must meet in order to be appointed as the President Councilor of the General Council, electoral councilors, the chief of the internal control body and the Executive Secretary of the National Electoral Institute. The President Councilor, the Electoral Councilors and the Executive Secretary cannot hold a public office while participating in an election as party leaders, or be nominated to elective office within the two years after termination of their duties in the INE.

Congressional councilors shall be appointed by parliamentary groups with party affiliation in any of the two Chambers of Congress, at a ratio of one per registered party or coalition, even though the respective political party is represented at both Chambers of Congress.

The FEI attributions are the following, among others established by law: a) to provide civic education and training; b) to periodically determine and revise the electoral geography; c) to register national political groups and parties, as well as guard their rights and prerogatives; d) to elaborate and update the Federal Registry of Voters and issue the voting card; e) to design, print and distribute all electoral materials; f) to prepare elections; g) to count the electoral results; h) to declare the validity and grant certificates in the elections for senators and representatives; i) to count the electoral results in the election for the President of the Republic; and j) to regulate the electoral observation and the opinion surveys and polls. The deliberations performed within all collegial directive boards shall be public under federal law.

The General Council shall have an autonomous technical department to oversee and audit parties’ resources. The chief of this technical department shall be appointed by two-thirds of the General Council after his nomination by the President Councilor. The law shall establish organization and functioning of this organ, as well as the procedures to impose sanctions by the General Council. In order to carry out its liabilities, the technical department shall not be limited by the bank secrecy, the fiduciary secrecy or the fiscal secrecy.
State electoral authorities shall be supported by the technical department in order to obtain financial information from the parties without the limitation of the bank secrecy, the fiduciary secrecy or the fiscal secrecy.

The Federal Electoral Institute shall organize local elections under covenants made and executed with the states and according to the law.

VI. A judicial appeal system shall be established in accordance to this Constitution and the law in order to protect the constitutionality and the legality principles, under which electoral decisions and resolutions must be made. Such system shall provide definitive resolutions in every stage of election process and shall protect the citizens’ political right to vote, right to be elected and right to assembly, according to the Article 99 of this Constitution.

Appeals will not suspend the appealed resolution or act.

(Added by decree published on February 10, 2014)
The law shall establish the nullification system of federal and local election for severe breaches with fraud and decisive in the following cases:

a) The campaign expense exceeds five percent of the total authorized amount;

(Amended by decree published on July 7, 2014)
b) A news coverage or airtime in radio and television are purchased or acquired outside the cases provided by the law;

c) Illegal resources or public resources are received or used in campaigns.

(Added by decree published on February 10, 2014)
Said breaches shall be objectively and materially proved. When the difference between the votes resulting from the first and second place is lower to five percent breaches will be presumed as decisive.

(Added by decree published on February 10, 2014)
In case of nullity of the election, an extraordinary election will be called and the person sanctioned will not be able to participate.

CHAPTER II
Composition of the Federation and Mexican territory

Article 42
National territory is composed of:

I. The territory belonging to the states.

II. The territory of islands, including the reefs and cays in adjacent seas.

III. The territory of the islands of Guadalupe and Revillagigedo located in the Pacific Ocean.

IV. The continental shelf and the seabed of the islands, cays and reefs.

V. The waters of the territorial seas in the extension and under the terms established by the International Law and domestic maritime laws.

VI. The air space located above national territory, in the extension and with the particularities established by the International Law.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

(Reformed by the decree published on April 13, 2011)

Article 43. The Mexican territory is comprised of the following states: Aguascalientes, Baja California, Baja California Sur, Campeche, Coahuila de Zaragoza, Colima, Chiapas, Chihuahua, Durango, Guanajuato, Guerrero, Hidalgo, Jalisco, State of Mexico, Michoacán, Morelos, Nayarit, Nuevo León, Oaxaca,
Puebla, Querétaro, Quintana Roo, San Luis Potosí, Sinaloa, Sonora, Tabasco, Tamaulipas, Tlaxcala, Veracruz, Yucatán and Zacatecas; as well as Mexico City.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

**Article 44.** Mexico City is the seat of the federal government and the capital of the Mexican United States. It shall be integrated by its current territory. In the event that federal government has to be moved to another location, Mexico City will be a State called Mexico City.

**Article 45**

The states will keep their current borders and extensions, as long as there is not a controversy about it.

*First paragraph amended by decree published in October 15, 2012*

**Article 46.**- The States can deal with their respective limits by friendly agreements among each other at any time; however, these arrangements will not be effective without the approval of the Chamber of Senators.

(Added by decree published in October 15, 2012)

Should there not be an agreement referred in the above paragraph, and at the request of any of the conflicting parties, the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation will know, substantiate and resolve with an unassailable capacity, disputes on territory limits that take place between States, and under the terms of section I of article 105 of this Constitution.

(Paragraph deleted by decree published in October 15, 2012)

(Paragraph deleted by decree published in October 15, 2012)

**Article 47**

The State of Nayarit shall have the territorial area and boundaries which presently comprise the territory of Tepic.
Article 48

Federal government shall be in charge of: a) all the islands, cays and reefs within the adjacent seas belonging to national territory; b) the continental shelf; c) the seabed of islands, cays and reefs; d) territorial seas; e) inland maritime waters and f) the space located above the national territory; except by the islands that belong to the states.

TITLE THREE

CHAPTER I

Division of power

Article 49

The political authority or power is shared by the executive, the legislature and the judiciary.

Two or more of these powers cannot be united in one single person or corporation, nor shall the legislative branch be vested in one single person, except for the case where extraordinary powers are granted to the President of the Republic as provided in Article 29. In no other case, except as provided under the second paragraph of Article 131, shall extraordinary powers be granted to legislate.

CHAPTER II

The legislature

Article 50

The legislative power is vested in a Congress of the United Mexican States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.
SECTION I

Elections and inauguration of the Congress

Article 51

The House of Representatives shall be composed of members chosen every third year by the people of the several states. For each representative, a substitute shall be elected.

Article 52

The House of Representatives shall be integrated by 300 members, who shall be elected according to the principle of majority voting through the uninominal voting system in all the electoral districts; and 200 members chosen according to the principle of proportional representation, using a system of regional lists and majority rule with representation for the electoral minority in proportion to the way the people vote.

(The first paragraph was amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

Article 53. The borders separating the 300 electoral districts from each other shall be set down after dividing the country’s population by the number of districts. Single member electoral districts will be distributed among the states taking into account the most recent census. Each state shall have at least two representatives elected under the principle of majority voting.

In order to elect 200 representatives under the principle of proportional representation, using a system of regional lists, five electoral districts shall be established in the country. The law shall set down the ways in which such territorial division will be made.

Article 54

The election of 200 representatives under the principle of proportional representation, using a system of regional lists, shall be subjected to the following principles:
I. To register its regional list, a political party must prove that it participates with candidates to the House of Representatives to be elected by the principle of majority voting in at least two hundred uninominal districts.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

II. Every political party attaining at least three percent of the total valid votes casted for the regional lists of the multiple-member circumscriptions shall be entitled to have representatives under the principle of proportional representation;

III. The political party complying with the two principles above established, shall have appointed the number of representatives from the list corresponding to each plurinominal district, according to the way the people vote. The order established in the regional lists shall be respected for appointments.

IV. No political party shall have more than 300 representatives, no matter which principle they have been elected under.

V. The political parties shall never have a number of representatives whose percentage of the House exceeds by eight points the percentage they have obtained in vote. This restriction shall not be applied to the political party that, due to its electoral victories at uninominal districts, obtains a percentage of seats greater than the addition of the percentage obtained in national vote plus eight percent.

VI. After that seats have been distributed according to previous paragraphs III, IV and V, the leftover proportional representation seats shall be awarded to the remaining political parties which have a right in each one of the plurinominal district, in proportion to the way the people vote. The law shall regulate procedures and formalities to apply this article’s principles.

(The first paragraph was amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

Article 55. Requirements to be a representative:
I. To be a Mexican national by birth in the full exercise of his rights.

II. To have attained to the age of twenty-one years on the election date.

(Amended [N.E. First paragraph] by decree published on January 29, 2016)

III. To be an inhabitant of that state in which he shall be chosen or a neighbor with this effective residence for at least six months before the election date.

In order to qualify for registration in the regional lists of plurinominal districts, the candidate must be a native of one of the states included in such plurinominal district, or be an inhabitant of that district for at least six months prior to the date of the election.

Residence is not lost in cases where absence is by reason of serving as holder of an elective public office.

IV. To be free of duties at the Army, law enforcement agencies and rural police forces with jurisdiction over the electoral district in which the election is going to take place, at least ninety days before the election date.

V. Not to be in charge of one of the organs, granted with autonomy by this Constitution. Not to be Secretary or Undersecretary of the State. Not to be in charge of one of the decentralized organs of the federal government, unless the candidate is definitely separated from his duties at least 90 days before election date takes place.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

In order to be a representative, the candidate must not to be a minister in the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation, Justice, Secretary in the Electoral Court of the Federal Judicial Branch, President Councilor or Electoral Councilor in general, local or district councils of the National Electoral Institute, Executive Secretary or
manager in the INE, unless the candidate is definitely separated from his duties at least three years before election date takes place.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
State Governors and the Mexico City’s Mayor cannot be elected to represent the states over which they have jurisdiction during the period they are in office, even though they definitely separate themselves from their duties.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
State Secretaries, the federal or state Justices and Judges as well as the State mayors and mayors of cannot be elected in the states where they exercise their respective duties, unless they resign their positions definitively at least ninety days before the election date;

VI. Not to be priest or minister of any religion.

VII. To be unaffected by the inabilities established under article 59.

(The first paragraph was amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
Article 56. The Senate shall be composed of one hundred and twenty-eight senators, two Senators from each state and Mexico City elected in accordance to the principle of relative majority voting and one Senator shall be apportioned to the largest minority. For this purpose, political parties must register a list with two sets of candidates. The largest minority seat shall be granted to the set of candidates heading the list of the political party that shall have attained the second place in the number of votes casted in the corresponding state.

The remaining thirty-two senators shall be elected under the principle of proportional representation, through the system of lists voted in one sole national plurinominal district. The law shall establish the regulations and formalities that shall be applied for these purposes.

The Senate shall be totally renewed every six years.
Article 57

There shall be an elected substitute for each senator.

Article 58

The Senators shall fulfill the same requirements than the Representatives, except by the age. All senators must be at least 25 years old on the election date.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

Article 59. - Senators may be reelected for up to two consecutive periods and Representatives to the Congress of the Union may be reelected for up to four consecutive periods. Only the party or any of the party member of the coalition may carry out the nomination, except when renouncing or losing militancy before the half of their term of office.

Substitute Senators and Representatives may be elected as incumbents for the immediately following term, provided that they have not held office as incumbents. However, incumbent senators and representatives cannot be elected for the immediately following term as substitutes.

Article 60

The Federal Electoral Institute (FEI) shall declare the validity of the elections of both, representatives and senators in each one of the uninominal districts, as well as in each state. The FEI shall also issue the respective certificates to the registered candidates who have obtained the majority of votes. The FEI shall appoint the senators corresponding to the largest minority, according to the Article 56 of this Constitution and the law. Likewise, the FEI shall declare validity of the election and shall appoint the representatives corresponding to the principle of proportional representation, in accordance to the Article 54 of this Constitution and the law.

1 According to the eleventh transitory article of the amendment decree published on February 10, 2014, the amendment to article 59 of the CPEUM will be applicable to representatives and senators elected as of the 2018 electoral process.
The resolutions made on validity of the election, on awarding certificates and on appointed representatives or senators can be appealed before the regional courts of the Electoral Court of the Judicial Power, according to the procedures established by law.

The regional court’s rulings may be reviewed only by the High Court of the Electoral Court of the Judicial Power, through the appeals submitted by political parties, provided that such offences could modify an election result. The verdicts given by the High Court of the Electoral Court of the Judicial Power shall be definitive and irrefutable. The law shall establish the conditions, requirements and formalities for such appeal system.

**Article 61**

Representatives and senators shall be above criticism related to their opinions in the performance of their duties, they may never be questioned for such opinions.

The speaker of each House shall be responsible for enforcing respect to House members’ constitutional immunity and to the inviolability of the House.

*(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)*

**Article 62.** No Senator or Representative shall, during the time for which he was elected, be appointed to any federal or state government office which grants emolument without a license granted by the respective House. In such case, representative duties shall be suspended for as long as their new occupation lasts. The same rule shall be applied to the substitute representatives and senators if they have been called to service. Removal from office shall be the punishment imposed on any offender of this article’s rules.

**Article 63**

In order to open sessions and to exercise the duties of the offices, the House of Representatives and the Senator shall have more than 50% of attendance of the total number of their members. Those present shall compel the absentees to attend within the next thirty days, under penalty of being removed from the seat. In such case, the substitutes shall be called, who must appear within the next thirty days. In the event that substitute does not appear either, the seat shall be declared vacant. All vacancies shall be filled; no matter vacancy was generated at the beginning of legislature or during exercising. Regarding Representatives or Senators elected under the principle of majority voting, the respective House shall call extraordinary elections according to the Article 77, paragraph
IV of this Constitution. Regarding representatives appointed by the principle of proportional representation, vacancy shall be filled by the next candidate in the list of the party in question. Regarding Senators appointed by the principle of proportional representation, vacancy shall be filled by the next candidate in the list of the party in question. Regarding Senators appointed by the principle of largest minority, vacancy shall be filled by the second candidate in the list of the party in question of the respective state.

Representatives and Senators shall inform their Speaker about absences. Any Representative or Senator who have been absent from his duties for ten days in a row without the permit of the Speaker shall not be allowed to take his seats back until the opening of the following period of sessions. In such a case, substitutes shall be called to service.

In the event of lack of quorum in either House, the substitute shall be called immediately to attend as promptly as possible, while the aforesaid thirty days term elapses.

Absent Representative or Senator, who does not have previous permit, shall be liable and subjected to the penalties established by the law. National political parties shall also be liable and subjected to the penalties set forth by the law if order their candidates not to appear in the respective House to perform their duties.

**Article 64**

Representatives and Senators who, unjustifiably and without a permit, are absent from one session, shall not be entitled to claim any wage for that particular day.

(The first paragraph was amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

**Article 65.**- The Congress shall assemble every year on September 1, for the first ordinary period of sessions, except when the President of the Republic starts commission on the date provided in article 83 of this Constitution, in such a case the assembly shall be after August 1	extsuperscript{st}; and as of on February 1	extsuperscript{st} for the second ordinary period of sessions.\(^2\)

\(^2\) According to the fifteenth article of the amendment decree published on February 10, 2014, [N.E. first paragraph] article 65 of the CPEUM will come into force on December 1	extsuperscript{st}, 2018. The effective previous text of said amendment states the following. *The Congress shall meet after September 1	extsuperscript{st} every year to hold a first period of ordinary sessions*. 
In both periods of sessions, the Congress shall study, discuss and vote the bills submitted thereto and shall resolve any other affairs pertaining to it according to this Constitution.

The Congress shall preferably devote itself to the issues established by its Organic Law.

Article 66

Each ordinary period of sessions shall last as long as necessary to solve the affairs mentioned at the previous article. The first period cannot be extended beyond December 15 of the respective year, except on those years when according to Article 83, a new President of the Republic is going to be inaugurated. In such a case, sessions may be extended until December 31. The second period shall not be extended beyond April 30 of the respective year.

If no agreement is reached by both Houses about the date to close sessions, then the President of the Republic shall resolve the dispute.

Article 67

The Congress or just one of the Houses, when dealing with an issue under its exclusive jurisdiction, shall assemble in extraordinary period of sessions at the Permanent Committee’s request. In such case, the Congress shall only resolve the issue or issues submitted by the Permanent Committee and indicated in the notification.

Article 68

Both Houses shall be located at the same place and shall not be moved to a different one without a previous agreement on moving, period and procedure, but both Houses must reside in the same site. If no agreement is reached on the transfer’s duration, procedures and place, the President of the Republic resolve the issue by choosing one of the alternatives. No House shall adjourn sessions for more than three days without the explicit consent from the other one.
Article 69

Every year, at the opening of the first ordinary period of sessions, the President of the Republic shall provide a written report, indicating the state of the country’s public administration. At the opening of an extraordinary period of sessions of the Congress, or only of one of the Houses, the Speaker of the Permanent Committee shall inform about the reasons leading to such extraordinary period of sessions.

Article 70

Every resolution of the Congress shall have force of law or decree. Laws and decrees shall be communicated to the President of the Republic by a document signed by the Speakers of both Houses. Laws and decrees shall be enacted as follows: “The Congress of the United Mexican States decrees: (text of the respective law or decree)”.

The Congress shall issue a law that will regulate its own structure and internal functioning.

Such law shall specify the ways and procedures allowing associations of representatives to be formed according to their party affiliation in order to protect the freedom of speech of all ideological trends represented at the House of Representatives.

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3 According to the twelfth transitory article of the amendment decree published on February 10, 2014, the provisions of the third paragraph of article 69 of the CPEUM, will come into force on December 1st, 2018.
Such a law shall never be vetoed nor require to be enacted by the President of the Republic in order to enter into force.

SECTION II

Bills and law enactment

Article 71

The ones who have the right to propose laws or decrees are:

I. The President of the Republic

II. The representatives and senators

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

III. The State and Mexico City’s legislatures, and

(Reformed by the decree published on August 17, 2011)

The bills submitted by the President of the Republic, the state legislative bodies or their commissions shall be referred to a committee. The bills brought by representatives or senators shall be subject to the procedure established by the Congress Act and its regulations.

(Included by decree published on August 9, 2012)
IV. To citizens in a number equivalent, at least to zero point thirteen percent of the voters’ registration list, under the terms set by the law.

(Amended by decree published on August 9, 2012)

The Law of the Congress will determine the procedure for the initiatives.

(Included by decree published on August 9, 2012)

The opening day of each ordinary session period, the President of the Republic may present up to two initiatives for preferential procedure, or under such character appoint up to two initiatives that had already been presented in previous periods, when ruling pending. Each initiative should be discussed and voted by the Plenary of the Chamber of origin on a max thirty natural days period. Otherwise, the initiative under its terms and without any higher procedure, will be the first matter that will be discussed and voted in the next Plenary session. If approved or modified by the originating Chamber, the respective bill of law or decree will immediately be passed to the Reviewing Chamber for discussion and vote on the same period and under the above mentioned conditions.

(Included by decree published on August 9, 2012)

The addition or reform initiatives of this Constitution will not have a preferential character.

(Reformed by the decree published on August 17, 2011)

Article 72

Every single bill shall be discussed successively at both Houses, except by the issues that are within the exclusive jurisdiction of one of the Houses. The House shall observe the methods, periods of time and debating and voting procedures established by the Congress Act and its regulations.

a) After being approved by one of the Houses, every bill shall be submitted to the other one in order to be discussed there. If the second House approves it, the bill shall be submitted to the President of the Republic who, after deciding that no further corrections should be made, shall publish it without delay.
A bill forwarded to the President of the Republic which is not returned by him with his objections to the House where it was originated within 30 calendar days of the receipt, shall be deemed approved. After such term, the President of the Republic shall pass and publish the law or decree in the following 10 calendar days. After this second term, the law or decree shall be deemed enacted; then, in the following 10 calendar days, the President of the House, where the bill was originated, shall order publication of the law or decree in the Official Gazette of the Federation, without requiring endorsement. These deadlines shall not be suspended if the Congress closes or adjourns its sessions. In this case, the President of the Republic shall return the bill to the Permanent Committee.

Any bill rejected partially or totally by the President of the Republic shall be returned with the respective corrections to the original House. The bill shall be discussed again in such House and, if confirmed by a two-thirds majority of votes, it shall be submitted again to the reviewer House. If a two-thirds majority of votes supports the bill at the second House, it shall be considered as enacted law or decree and shall be sent to the President of the Republic in order to be published.

Voting for enacting laws or decrees shall be nominal.

If any bill is rejected in whole by the reviewing House, it shall be returned to the House where it was originated with the appropriate objections. The bill shall be again discussed in said House and, if approved by the absolute majority of its members present, it shall return to the House that rejected it, which shall analyze it again. If the second House approves the bill by the same majority, it shall be submitted to the President of the Republic, who has to comply the purposes of paragraph “a”. If the second House does not approve the bill, it shall not be reintroduced in the same period of sessions.
e) Any bill partially rejected, modified or added by the reviewing House, the new discussion in the original House shall be focused on the rejected, reformed or added parts, leaving the already approved articles unchanged. If the additions or reforms made by the reviewing House are approved by absolute majority in the original House, the whole bill shall be submitted to the President of the Republic, who has to observe the provisions established in paragraph “a”. If the additions or reforms made by the reviewing House are rejected by majority of the members attending the original House, the bill shall be returned to the reviewing House which shall study the reasons of the first House. If those additions or reforms are rejected again after a second review, the part of the bill approved by both Houses shall be sent to the President of the Republic, who has to observe the provisions established in paragraph “a”. If the absolute majority of the attending members at the reviewing House insists on enacting the additions and reforms, the whole bill shall be postponed until the new period of sessions, unless the absolute majority of attending congressmen at both Houses agrees on enacting only the approved articles of the bill and on submitting additions or reforms to the next period of sessions.

f) Regarding interpretation, reforms and repeal of laws or decrees, the same formalities established for enacting them shall be observed.

g) Any bill rejected in the first House shall not be reintroduced in other period of sessions corresponding to the same year.

h) Either of the two Houses can propose a law or decree first, except by the bills about debenture loans, taxes or conscription, which shall be discussed first at the House of Representatives.

i) If the Consultative Commission of the first House delays to present an opinion about the bill for more than one month, then the bill can be submitted to the other House for discussion.

j) The President of the Republic cannot make comments on the resolutions of the Congress or any of the Houses when act as electoral body or judge, as well as when the House of Representatives charges a top-ranking official with official offences.
The President of the Republic cannot make comments on the decree of call for extraordinary period of sessions issued by the Permanent Committee.

SECTION III

Powers of Congress

Article 73

The Congress has the authority to:

I. Admit new states into the Union.

II. Repealed.

III. Create new states inside the limits of the existing ones. For this purpose, the following requirements must be met:

1st The fraction or fractions that intend to a new state must have at least 120 thousand inhabitants.

2nd The fraction or fractions that intend to become a new state shall prove, before the Congress, that possess enough elements to assure the new state’s political existence.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

3rd The legislatures of the states involved shall submit a report to the Congress, within the six months after notified, about usefulness or inappropriateness of the creation of a new state.

4th The President of the Republic must submit a report to the Congress within the seven days after notification about usefulness or inappropriateness of creation of the new state.
5th Proposal of creation of the new state shall obtain the two-thirds of the votes in each House.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
6th The ruling pronounced by the Congress shall be ratified by majority of the state legislatures after reviewing the file, provided that legislatures of the affected states have approved such ruling.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
7th In the event that legislatures of the affected states do not consent the creation of a new state, then ratification mentioned in the previous paragraph shall be done by two-thirds of the legislatures of the rest of the states.

IV. Repealed.

V. Move seat of Federal Government.

VI. Repealed.

VII. Lay and collect taxes in order to fund national budget.

(Amended by decree published on May 26, 2015)
VIII. In terms of government debt to:

1st. Establish the basis in order to allow the President of the Republic to make debenture loans and guarantees based on the country’s credit, to approve such debenture loans, to accept the foreign debt and to order payment of such foreign debt. Only credits producing an increase in public revenue shall be contracted, except by those acquired for monetary regulation purposes, for debt refinancing or restructure which shall be under the best conditions in the market; as well as those
acquired to face an emergency situation stated by the President of the Republic according to the Article 29.

2nd. Annually approve debt amounts, which shall be included in the Revenue Law, for the Federal District Government and the government agencies, according to the applicable law. The President of the Republic shall submit to the Congress an annual report about the spending of the debt. For this purpose, the Federal District Mayor shall submit to the President a report about the spending corresponding to the Federal District. The Federal District Mayor shall also inform the Federal District Assembly about such spending together with the report of the public spending.

3d. Establish the general laws for the States, the Federal District and local Councils to engage in debts; the limits and modalities in which said governments may impact their respective participations to cover the debenture loans and payment obligations acquired; the responsibility of said governments to subscribe and publish the total amount of debenture loans and payment obligations in a single public record in a transparent and timely fashion; an alert system about the management of the debt, as well as applicable punishment for public servant who fail to comply the provisions. The House of Representatives shall discuss first said laws according to fraction H of article 72 of this Constitution.

4th. The Congress of the Union, through a competent bicameral legislative committee, will analyze the adjustment strategy to strengthen States public finances, stated in agreements intended to execute with the Federal Government to obtain guarantees, and where applicable, make the pertinent observations within fifteen working days, even during the recess periods of the Congress of the Union. The above shall apply in the cases of the States with high levels of debt in terms of the law. Likewise, immediate after the signature of the corresponding agreement, the Congress of the Union shall know about the adjustment strategy for local councils under the same circumstances, as well about agreements that, where applicable, held by States without high level of debt;

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

IX. In order to prevent inter-State trade restrictions.

X. Make rules and regulations over the whole country on hydrocarbons, mining, chemical substances, explosives, pyrotechnics, movie industry, commerce, bets, draw and raffles, intermediation and financial services, electrical and nuclear energy, and labor relations.
XI. Create and cut public jobs in federal government, as well as to establish, increase or decrease salaries for such jobs.

XII. Declare war, based on the information submitted by the President of the Republic.

XIII. Enact laws that assess quality of maritime and land dams, and the maritime legislation that shall be applied at both, peacetime and wartime.

XIV. Support and maintain the country’s armed forces: The Army, the Navy and the Air Force. The Congress shall have the power to regulate organization and service of these armed forces.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

XV. Make rules and regulations that organize, arm and discipline the National Guard. However, citizens participating in the National Guard shall appoint its chiefs and officers, and the states shall train its own National Guard according to the discipline provided in said rules and regulations.

XVI. Enact laws on nationality, legal status of foreigners, citizenship, naturalization, colonization, immigration and public health:

1st The General Board of Health shall report directly to the President of the Republic, without intervention of any government department. Orders, regulations, measure and provisions issued by the General Board of Health shall be compulsory for the whole country.

2nd In the event of serious epidemic or risk of invasion of exotic diseases, the Secretariat for Public Health shall issue immediately the appropriate measures, which shall be approved by the President of the Republic.
3rd The Secretariat for Public Health shall be an executive organ, its orders, regulations, measures and provisions shall be observed by the administrative authorities throughout the country.

4th Measures issued by the General Board of Health for campaigns against alcoholism, drugs and pollution shall be reviewed, after the campaign, by the Mexican Congress if applicable.

(Amended by decree published on 11 June, 2013)

XVII. Enact laws on the general communication pathways, information technology and communication, broadcast, telecommunications, including wide band and internet, post roads and offices and the use and exploitation of waters under federal jurisdiction.

XVIII. Establish mints and regulate them, to make rules to determine exchange rate, and to adopt a general system of weights and measures.

XIX. Regulate occupation and alienation of the areas of waste land, as well as the price thereof.

XX. Enact laws to regulate the Mexican diplomatic and consular bodies.

(First paragraph was reformed by the decree published on July 14, 2011)

(First paragraph has been reformed through a decree published on May 4, 2009)

(First paragraph has been reformed through a decree published on June 18, 2008)
XXI. In order to issue:

(a) General laws that establish the definitions of criminal offenses and penalties on kidnap, forced disappearance of persons and other forms of deprivation of liberty contrary to the law, human trafficking, torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment, as well as electoral.

(b) Legislation establishing crimes and offenses against the Federation and penalization and sanctions to be given; as well as legislating on organized crime issues.

(c) A single legislation on criminal procedural matters, alternate mechanisms to solve disputes, execution of sentences and criminal justice for teenagers, that will regulate in the Republic with federal and state jurisdiction.

Federal authorities will be able to know the ordinary courts crimes, as long as they are connected to the federal crimes of crimes against journalists, individuals or facilities that impact, limit or damage the right to information or free of speech or press.

In the competing matters considered in this Constitution, the federal laws shall establish the assumptions in which authorities of the ordinary courts will be able to know and resolve on federal crimes;

XXII. Grant an amnesty for federal crimes.

XXIII. Enact laws to regulate coordination between the Federal Government, the states and the local councils, as well as to create and organize federal public security institutions, according to the Article 21 of this Constitution.
XXIV. Enact the laws to regulate the organization and powers of the General Auditor of the Federation and others ruling the management control and evaluation of the Powers of the Union and other federal agencies, as well as to enact the general law that set the bases for the coordination of the National Anti-Corruption System control and evaluate the Department of the Treasury, the Powers of the Union and the federal agencies referred to in Article 113 of this Constitution.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

XXV. Establish the Professional Educational Service in terms of Article 3rd of this Constitution; set, organize and maintain throughout the country rural schools, elementary schools, middle schools, high schools, universities, scientific research education, art schools, technical schools, schools specialized in agriculture and mining, colleges for study of arts and crafts, museums, libraries, observatories, and other institutions related to general culture of inhabitants of the nation and legislate everything related to said institutions; to legislate vestiges or fossil remains an archeological, artistic and historic monuments with a national preservation interest; as well as to enact the laws oriented to conveniently distribute between the Federal State, the States and local municipalities the exercise of the educational duty and the financial contributions for this public service, looking forward to unify and coordinate education throughout the country, and to ensure the compliance of the education purposes and a continuous improvement within an inclusion and diversity environment. Degrees issued by these institutions shall be effective throughout the country. To legislate on copyrights and other related figures of intellectual property;

The congress shall have power to legislate about: a) fossil vestiges; b) archaeological, artistic and historical monuments, which conservation belongs to national interest matters; c) distribution of educational liabilities among the Federal Government, the Federal District, the states and the local councils, as well as financing for such service, seeking for standardization and coordination of educational programs. Academic certificates issued by public institutions shall be valid and accepted throughout the country. The Congress shall have the power to regulate copyrights and patents.

(Amended by public decree published on February 26, 2013)
XXV. In order to establish the Teaching Professional Service in terms of article 3rd of this Constitution; establishing, organizing and keeping in all the Republic rural, elementary, junior high, high and professional schools for scientific research, fine arts and technical teachings, agriculture and mining practice schools, arts and crafts school, museums, libraries, observatory and other institutions related to the general culture of the inhabitants of the nation, in order to legislate on traces and fossil remains and on archeological, artistic and history monuments, with a national interest preservation; as well as to pass laws oriented to distribute conveniently in the Federation, the States and Municipalities the exercise of the educative function and economic contributions corresponding to that public service, seeking to unify and coordinate education in all the Republic, and in order to ensure the fulfillment of all purposes of education and a continuous improvement in the inclusion and diversity frame. Certificates issued by the establishments concerned will be effective in all the Republic. In order to legislate in the matter of copyrights and other intellectual property figures related to the same;

(Amended by decree published on August 9, 2012)

XXVI. To grant a leave to the President of the Republic and to make up the Electoral College and to appoint the citizen that should substitute the President of the Republic either as interim or alternate, under the terms of articles 84 and 85 of this Constitution.

XXVII. Accept the President of the Republic’s resignation.

(Reformed by decree published on January 29, 2016)

(Added through a decree published on May 7, 2008)

XXVIII. Enact government accounting laws to regulate public accounts and submission of financial reports, as well as patrimony reports, which shall apply to the Federal government, the states, local councils and the territorial demarcations of Mexico City, in order to guarantee harmonization nationwide;

XXIX-A. To lay and collect taxes on the following items:
1st Foreign trade.

2nd The use of natural resources mentioned in the Article 27, paragraphs 4 and 5.

3rd Credit institutions and insurance companies.

4th Public services, either provided by concessionaires or by the government.

5th The Congress shall have the power to lay and collect special taxes on:

   a) Electrical energy.

   b) Production and consumption of carved tobacco.

   c) Gasoline and other products derived from oil.

   d) Matches

   e) Maguey juice and its products.

   f) Forest exploitation.
g) Production and consumption of beer.

The states shall receive, under federal legislation, a percentage of the revenue generated by the special taxes. Local legislatures shall set the percentage corresponding to local councils, in their income from tax over electric power service.

XXIX-B. Regulate characteristics and use of the national flag, anthem and coat of arms.

_(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)_

**XXIX-C.** Enact laws to regulate competence between the Federal Government, the states, the local councils, and where applicable, the territorial demarcations of within their respective jurisdictions in matters of human settlements, in order to comply with the purposes provided in Article 27, in paragraph 3, of this Constitution.

XXIX-D. Enact laws regarding national economic and social planning, as well as statistical and geographical information.

XXIX-E. Enact laws for programming, promotion, covenants and implementation of economic measures, especially those related to supply, as well as those intended to achieve adequate and timely production of goods and services, considered as socially necessary.

XXIX-F. Enact laws: a) to promote Mexican investment; b) to regulate foreign investment and transfer of technology; and c) to regulate generation, spreading and implementation of scientific and technological knowledge necessary for the country’s development.

_(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)_

**XXIX-G.** Enact laws establishing the competence of the Federal Government, the states and the local councils, and where applicable, the territorial demarcations of Mexico City, within their respective jurisdictions, on matters concerning protection of the environment, as well as preservation and restoration of ecological balance.
XXIX-H. To enact a law for the creation of the Federal Court of Administrative Justice, completely autonomous and fully empowered to pronounce judgment. The law shall establish regulations for organization, functioning and proceedings to challenge its resolutions.

The Court shall be responsible for resolving the legal controversies between the federal public administration and individuals.

Likewise, it will be the competent body to impose sanctions to public servants for administrative responsibilities considered as severe by the law, and to individuals who participate in acts related to said responsibilities, as well as to establish for the responsible parties the payment of the compensations and financial sanctions resulting from damage and prejudice impacting the Federal Treasure or the patrimony of the federal public agencies.

The Court will act in Plenary sessions or at the Regional Chambers.

The Superior Chamber of the Court shall comprise sixteen Justices and will act in Plenary sessions or in Sections to resolve the procedures referred to in the third paragraph of this fraction.

The President of the Republic will appoint the Justices of the Superior Chamber and two thirds of the members present at the Senate of the Republic will endorse them or, when in recess, the Permanent Committee. Justices will serve in office for fifteen years and may be considered for new appointment.

The President of the Republic will appoint the Justices of the Regional Chamber and the members present at the Senate of the Republic will endorse them or, when in recess, the Permanent Committee. Justices will serve in office for ten years and may be considered for new appointment.

Justices will only be removed from office because of severe causes provided by the law.

XXIX-I. Enact laws that coordinate the measures implemented by the Federal Government, the states, the local councils and, as the case may be, the territorial demarcations of Mexico City within their respective jurisdictions, regarding civil protection matter;

XXIX-J. To legislate physical culture and sports with the purpose of complying with that which is outlined in article 4 of this Constitution, establishing the competence between the Federation, the States, the local councils and, as the case may be,
the territorial demarcations of Mexico City, within their respective jurisdiction, as well as the participation of social and private sectors;

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

XXIX-K. Legislature on matters concerning tourism, establishing general bases to coordinate the concurrent attributions of the Federal Government, the states, the local councils and, as the case may be, the territorial demarcation of Mexico City, within their respective jurisdiction, as well as the participation of the private and social sectors.

XXIX-L. Legislature on matters concerning fishing and aquaculture, establishing general bases to coordinate the concurrent attributions of the Federal Government, the states, the Federal District and the local councils; as well as the participation of the private and social sectors.

XXIX-M. Enact laws in matters of national security, establishing the requirements and limits to the corresponding investigations.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

XXIX-N. To enact laws regarding the formation, organization, functioning and suppression of cooperatives. These laws shall establish the bases to coordinate the concurrent attributions of the Federal Government, the states, the local councils and, as the case may be, the territorial demarcation of Mexico City, within their respective jurisdiction regarding promotion and sustainable development of cooperatives.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

(Added through a decree published on April 30, 2009)

XXIX-ñ. Legislature on matters concerning culture, establishing general bases to coordinate the concurrent attributions of the Federal Government, the states, the local councils and, as the case may be, the territorial demarcation of within their respective jurisdiction, except by that established in the section XXV of this article. This law shall also define the mechanisms through which social and private sectors shall participate, complying this way with the goals indicated in the Article 4, paragraph twelfth, of this Constitution.
XXIX-O. Regulate the use and protect personal data handled by private entities.

(Added through a decree issued on April 30, 2009)

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

(Added by decree published on February 7, 2014)

XXIX-P. To enact laws that establish the concurrence of the Federation, the States, the local councils and, as the case may be, the territorial demarcation of within their respective jurisdiction, on the subject of the rights of girls, boys and adolescents, while at all times safeguarding their best interest and complying with international agreements that Mexico may be a part of on this subject;

(Included by decree published on August 9, 2012)

XXIX-Q. To legislate over citizen initiative and referendum.

(Added by decree published on December 27, 2013)

XXIX-R.- To enact the general law that balances and standardizes the organization and operation of public land registers and legal entities of the States and the municipal land registers;

(Added by decree published on February 7, 2014)

XXIX-S. To enact general regulating laws for the development of principles and bases on government transparency access to information and personal data protection held by authorities, entities, bodies and government agencies at all levels of government.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

(Amended by decree published on February 7, 2014)

XXIX-T. To enact the general law that establishes the organization and standard administration of files of the Federation, the States, the local Councils and territorial demarcations of Mexico City, and that establishes the organization and operational bases for the National Archival System.

(Added by decree published on February 10, 2014)
XXIX-U. To enact the general laws that distribute the competences between the Federation and the States on matters of political parties, electoral agencies and electoral processes, according to the bases provided in this Constitution.

(Added by decree published on May 27, 2015)

XXIX-V. To enact the general law that shall distribute the jurisdictions between the levels of government to establish the administrative responsibilities of public servants, their obligations, penalties applicable to acts or omission by them and those for private individuals related to severe administrative offenses provided for such effect, as well as the application procedures.

(Added by decree published on May 26, 2015)

XXIX-W. To enact laws on fiscal accountability with the purpose of a sustainable management of public finances of the Federation, the States, the local Councils, and the Federal District, base on the principle established in the second paragraph of Article 25;

(Added by decree published on July 25, 2016)

XXIX-X. To enact the general law that establishes the concurrence of the Federation, the States, the local Councils and as the case may be, the territorial demarcations of Mexico City, within their respective jurisdiction on matters of rights of victims.

XXX. Enact all laws required to make effective the foregoing powers and any other powers vested by this Constitution on the Powers of the Union.

Article 74

The Constitution grants the House of Representatives several exclusive powers:

I. The power to issue the Solemn Edict in order to inform the whole country that the Electoral Court of the Judicial Power has issued a declaration stating that the President of the Republic has been elected.

(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)
II. The power to coordinate and evaluate performance of the Auditor General of the Federation, according to the law and without damage to its own technical and managerial autonomy;

(Added by decree published on February 10, 2014)

III. To endorse the appointment by the President of the Republic of the Secretary of Treasury, except when a coalition government is chosen, in such a case fraction II of article 76 of this Constitution shall apply; as well as of all other executives of the Treasury;\(^4\)

(First paragraph has been reformed through a decree published on May 2008)

IV. The power to annually approve the Nation’s budget, after assessment, discussion and, if applicable, modification of the project submitted by the President of the Republic; and after approval of taxes and contributions to cover such budget. The House of Representatives shall have the exclusive power to authorize multiannual expenditures for construction of infrastructure, so subsequent budgets shall include these multiannual expenditures.

The President of the Republic shall submit to the House of Representatives his proposal of the Income Act and the Expenditure Budget no later than September 8, the pertinent Secretary shall appear before the House in order to clarify the accounts. The House of Representative shall approve the Budget no later than November 15.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

The President of the Republic will begin his tenure on the date provided in article 83 and shall submit to the House of Representatives his proposal of the Income Act and the Expenditure Budget before November 15\(^5\)

Only the absolutely necessary secret items may be included in the Expenditure Budget. The Secretaries shall use such secret items under written consent of the President of the Republic.

\(^4\) According to the twelfth transitory article of the amendment decree published on February 10, 2014, fraction III of article 74 of the CPEUM will come into force on December 1, 2018.

\(^5\) According to the fifteenth transitory article of the amendment decree published on February 10, 2014, provisions of fraction IV [N.E. third paragraph] of article 74 of the CPEUN, shall come into force on December 1st, 2018. The current text previous to said amendment states the following: "The President of the Republic will begin his tenure on the date provided in article 83 and shall submit to the House of Representatives his proposal of the Income Act and the Expenditure Budget before December 15".
(These paragraphs were repealed through a decree published on May 7, 2008)

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(Reformed through a decree published on May 2008)

The President of the Republic can request an extension to submit his proposal of the Income Act and the Expenditure Budget, justifying the causes. The pertinent Secretary shall appear before the House to inform about the reasons for extension.

V. The power to approve or object criminal proceedings against civil servants who have committed an offense according to the Article 111 of this Constitution.

The House of Representatives shall be notified about the charges against public employees mentioned in the Article 110 of this Constitution. The House shall have the power to become an accusing organ in impeachments against civil servants.

(Added through a decree published on May 7, 2008)

VI. The power to review the public accounts corresponding to the previous year, in order to assess the results thereof, to check observance of the criteria stated in the approved budget, and to verify achievement of the objectives indicated in the several programs.

(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)

The House of Representatives shall review the Public Accounts through the Auditor General of the Federation. If this office finds out discrepancies related to
revenues or expenditures, or if it finds out inaccuracy or unjustified revenues or expenditures, the law shall be applied to punish misconduct. Regarding achievement of the objectives stated in the several programs, the House can only issue a recommendation to improve their performance in accordance to the Law.

(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)
The Public account shall be submitted to the House of Representative before April 30 of the next year. This term may be extended only in the case mentioned in fraction IV, last paragraph of this Article. Extension shall not exceed 30 natural days. In such case, the Auditor General of the Federation shall have the same extension to present the respective General Executive Report on the result of the audit to the public account.

(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)

(Amended by decree published on August 9, 2012)
The Chamber will complete the review of the Public Account, the latest, on October 31 of the following year after presentation, based on the analysis of the content and technical conclusions of the General Executive Report of the result of the audit, referred in Article 79 of this Constitution, recognizing that the observation procedures, recommendation and actions filed by the Audit General of the Federation will continue under the terms provided in such article.

(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)
The Chamber of Deputies will evaluate the performance of the Auditor General of the Federation and may require a report about the evaluation of auditing works;

(Added by decree published on February 10, 2015)
VII. To approve the National Development Plan as provided by this law. In the case that the House of Representatives does not pronounce on said period, the plan will be deemed as approved;

(Added by decree published on May 27, 2015)
VIII. To appoint, with the vote of two thirds or its members present, the heads of the internal control bodies of the agencies with autonomy recognized by this Constitution to administer the resources of the Expenditure Budget of the Federation, and

(Moved from fraction VIII to IX, by decree published on May 27, 2015)
IX: Others expressly conferred by this Constitution.

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6 According to the twelfth transitory article of the amendment decree published on February 10, 2014, provisions in fraction VII of article 74 of the CPEUM will come into force on December 1, 2018.
Article 75

The House of Representatives shall indicate, in the Expenditure Budget, the wages for all public employments created under the law. In the event that the House fails to indicate such wages, the wages established in the previous Budget or in the law that created the job shall be in force.

(Added through a decree published on August 24, 2009)

Nonetheless, remuneration shall be established observing the provisions of the Article 127 of this Constitution and the applicable laws.

(Added through a decree published on August 24, 2009)

The federal executive, legislative and judicial branches, as well as autonomous bodies recognized in this Constitution, and which exercise resources of the Expenditure Budget, shall include in their project budgets detailed tables of remunerations proposed for their public servants. Such project budgets shall observe the procedure for approval of budget expenditures provided in the Article 74, paragraph IV of this Constitution and other applicable laws.

Article 76

The Constitution grants the Senate several exclusive powers:

I. Power to analyze the foreign policy developed by the President of the Republic, based on the annual reports submitted by the President and the Secretary of Foreign Affairs.

The Senate shall have the power to approve the international treaties and conventions subscribed by the President of the Republic, as well as his decision to end, condemn, suspend, modify, amend, withdraw reservations and make interpretative declarations related such treaties and conventions.
II. To Ratify appointments that the same public servant performs of the Minister of State, in case that he decides for a coalition government, with the exception of chiefs of the National Defense and Navy; of the Secretary responsible for the internal control of the Federal Executive; the Ministry of Foreign Affair; ambassadors, General Councils, upper management employees of Foreign Affairs, members of the collegiate bodies in charge of regulating telecommunication, energy, economic competence, and coronels and other chiefs of the National Army, Navy and Air Forces under the terms set by the law;

III. Power to authorize the President of the Republic to allow departure of Mexican troops outside the country, passing of foreign troops through the country and stay of foreign troops for more than one month on Mexican waters.

IV. Power to authorize the President of the Republic to dispose the National Guard outside its respective states, and to determine the necessary forces.

V. In the event that all constitutional powers of one state disappear, the Senate shall have the power to appoint a provisional governor, who shall call elections according to the Constitution of the state in question. The President of the Republic shall propose three candidates to become provisional governor. The two-thirds of the Senate or the Permanent Committee shall approve one of the candidates. Provisional governor cannot be nominated as constitutional governor in the elections called by him. This provision shall govern whenever the constitutions of the states do not provide otherwise.

VI. Power to resolve the political disputes that arise between the powers of a state when one of the parties submits the case to the Senate, or in the event that such disputes have generated an armed conflict disrupting the Constitutional order. In such a case, the Senate will pronounce a resolution based on the Federal Constitution and the constitution of the state in question.

Law shall regulate exercise of the two previous powers.
VII. Power to become jury in impeachments against civil servants, according to the Article 110 of this Constitution.

VIII. Power to appoint the ministers of the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation among the candidates proposed by the President of the Republic. The Senate has the power to approve or reject leaves or resignations of ministers.

(Repealed by decree published on January 29, 2016)
IX. Repealed

X. Power to authorize amicable covenants made by the states regarding their borders. Such covenants shall be authorized by the two-thirds of the members present in Senate.

(Added by decree published on February 10, 2014)
(Repealed by decree published in October 15, 2012)

XI. To approve the National Strategy for Public Security within the terms provided by the law. In case that the Senate does not pronounce within said period, it shall be deemed as approved; 7

(Added by decree published on February 7, 2014)

XII. Power to appoint commissioners of the guarantor body established in article 6 of this Constitution under the terms established by the same Constitution and provisions in the law; and

(Added by decree published on February 10, 2014)

XIII. Power to integrate the list of candidates to the Attorney General of the Republic; to nominate said public servant and object removal of the Attorney General of the Republic by the President of the Republic according to Article 102, Subsection A, of this Constitution, and

(Moved by decree published on February 10, 2014)
(Moved by decree published on February 7, 2014)

XIV. Other powers conferred by this Constitution.

7 According to transitory article twelfth of the decree published on February 10, 2014, provisions in fraction XI, article 76 of the CPEUM will come into force in December 1, 2018.
Article 77

Each of the Houses may, without the intervention of the other one:

I. Pronounce resolutions regarding its internal economic affairs.

II. Communicate with the other House and with the President of the Republic through internal committees.

III. Appoint the employees for its own secretary’s office and issue regulations for it.

IV. In the event of a vacancy of a seat awarded according to the principle of majority voting, the House in question shall call to extraordinary elections within the 30 days after the vacancy appears. Elections shall be carried out within the 90 days after the call (see Article 63 of this Constitution). Except in the case the vacancy occurs in the last year of the term.

SECTION IV

Permanent Committee

Article 78

During recesses of the Congress of the Union, there shall be a Permanent Committee composed of 37 members -19 Representatives and 18 Senators-, appointed by their respective House the day before the closing of the ordinary period of sessions. A substitute shall be appointed for each member of the Permanent Committee.

Besides the powers conferred by this Constitution, the Permanent Committee shall have the following powers:
I. To consent the use of National Guard in the cases described in the Article 76, paragraph IV.

II. To receive the President of the Republic’s oath, if applicable.

(Reformed by the decree published on August 17, 2011)

III. To resolve issues within its jurisdiction. To receive bills, comments to the bills made by the President of the Republic, and proposals, as well as to dispatch them to the appropriate commission to be resolved in the next ordinary period of sessions.

(Amended by decree published on August 9, 2012)

IV. Agree or by proposal of the Executive, the Congress convocation or from a single Chamber for extraordinary sessions, being necessary, in both cases, the vote of other two thirds of the attendants. The convocation will appoint the objective or objectives of the extraordinary meetings. When the convocation is to the General Congress to be in the Electoral College and appoints the interim or alternate president, the approval of the convocation will by majority;

(Repealed by decree published on February 10, 2014)

V. Repealed

(Amended by decree published on August 9, 2012)

VI. Granting leave up to sixty natural days to the President of the Republic;

(Amended by decree published on 11 June, 2013)

(Amended by decree published on August 9, 2012)

VII. Ratifying the appointment by the President of ambassadors, general consuls, high rank finance employees, members of the collegiate body in charge of regulating on energy, coronels and other higher rank chiefs of National Army, Navy and Air forces, under the terms set by the law, and
VIII. Knowing and resolving special leave applications presented by legislators.

SECTION V

The Federal Auditing Office

(The first paragraph was amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)

Article 79. The Federal Auditing Office, which belongs to the House of Representatives, shall have autonomy regarding technical and managerial matters, as well as regarding its internal organization, functioning and decisions, according to the law.

(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)

(Added through a decree published on May 7, 2008)

The function of the Auditing Office shall be exercised according to the legality, definitiveness, impartiality and reliability principles.

(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)

The Federal Auditing Office may start an auditing process from the first working day of the next fiscal year, without prejudice of the observations or recommendations that, when made, shall refer to the final information presented at the Public Account.

(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)

Likewise, regarding auditing planning works, the Federal Auditing Office may request information of the ongoing exercise regarding completed processes.

(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)

The Federal Auditing Office shall be responsible for:

(The first paragraph was amended by decree published on May 26, 2015)

I. Supervision of revenue, expenditures and debt; guarantees that, where applicable, granted by the Federal Government regarding debenture loans of the States and local Councils; management, safekeeping and use of funds and resources belonging to the Powers of the Union and to the federal agencies. The

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8 The Fifth Transitory Article of Decree published in the Federal Official Gazette on May 27, 2015, states that amendments, inclusions and repeals to Article 79 will go into force on the same date as the law referred to in the Second Transitory of said Decree.
Federal Auditing Office shall audit fulfillment of the objectives included in the several federal programs, using the reports submitted according to the law.

(Amended by decree published on May 29, 2016) 9
(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)
(Amended by decree published on May 26, 2015)

The Federal Auditing Office shall also supervise directly the management or use of federal resources made by the states, local councils, and territorial demarcations of Mexico City. In the terms established by the law, the Federal Auditing Office will also supervise, in coordination with local auditing agencies or directly the federal contributions. In the case of the States and Local Councils with debentures loans have the guarantee of the Federation, the Federal Auditing Office shall supervise the destination and use of the corresponding resources made by local governments. Likewise, the Federal Auditing Office will supervise the use of federal resources granted to any public or private entity or individual, those transferred to trusts, funds, public or private mandates or any other legal instrument, in accordance with the procedures established by law and without damage to the jurisdiction of other authorities and to the rights of financial system users.

Entities that are subjected to fiscal supervision according to the previous paragraph, shall do the accounts, registering federal patrimony and budget transferred to them, in accordance with the criteria established by law.

(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)
The Federal Auditing Office can request and review by case and concrete information of a year previous to that of the public account being revised, without considering, for legal effects, said public account open again, only when a project, program or the debenture loans in the budget being revised covers for use and payment several fiscal years or are reviews about the compliance of the objectives of federal programs. However, comments and recommendations issued by the Federal Auditing Office shall only refer to the public account belonging to the year under revision.

(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)
Without prejudice to the previous paragraph, when specified by the law, as results of complaints, the Federal Auditing Office, with previous authorization of the Chief, can review during the ongoing fiscal year supervised entities, as well as previous years. Entities subject to review will provide the information requested for review on the deadlines and formalities specified by law, otherwise, it shall be punished according to the law. The Federal Auditing Office shall submit a report about the case to the House of Representatives and, if applicable, it shall fix responsibilities or initiate responsibilities before the Federal Court of Administrative Justice, the

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9 The Fifth Transitory Article of Decree published in the Federal Official Gazette on May 27, 2015, states that amendments, inclusions and repeals to Article 79 will go into force on the same date as the law referred to in the Second Transitory of said Decree.
Prosecutor’s Office in charge of the fight against corruption or other competent authorities;

(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)

(Reformed through a decree published on May 7, 2008)

II. Submission of the report of public account review to the House of Representatives on the last working day of June and October, as well as on February 20 of the year next to that when the public account was presented, reports of the supervisions ending during the respective period. Likewise, on this last date, The General Executive Report of the Result of the review to the public account will be submitted to the Plenary of the House of Representatives. The General Executive Report and individual reports will be public and will have the contents specified by law; These contents will include the opinions of the review, a specific section with comments from the Federal Auditing Office, as well as justifications and explanations, where applicable, that the entities under supervision had presented.

For this purpose, before the submission of the General Executive Report and individual auditing reports to the House of Representatives, the Federal Auditing Office shall notify the entities under revision about the results obtained from their public accounts, so that they could submit the pertinent justifications and explanations, which shall be assessed by the Federal Auditing Office to prepare individual auditing reports.

The Head of the Federal Auditing Office shall send to the entities under revision the corresponding reports containing recommendations and measures suggested within 10 business days after submission of the report to the House of Representatives. The entities under revision shall, within a 30 business days term, present the appropriate information and carry out the suitable measures. The law shall establish punishments for failures thereof. This provision shall not apply to filing of responsibilities before the Federal Court of Administrative Justice, which shall observe the procedures and terms established by law.

The Federal Auditing Office shall, within a 120 business days term, answer the explanations and justifications submitted by the entities under revision, otherwise explanations and justifications will be deemed as accepted.

Regarding recommendations, the entities under supervision shall describe improvements made, action taken or, as the case may be, justify the inappropriateness to the Federal Auditing Office.
On May 1 and November 1 of every year, the Federal Auditing Office shall submit to the House of Representatives a report about the progress of recommendations, measures and actions from each individual audit report presented under the terms of this fraction. Said report, which shall be public, will include the amounts effectively compensated to the Public Treasury or the patrimony of federal public entities, as consequence of their supervision action, criminal offenses filed and processes initiated before the Federal Court of Administrative Justice.

The Federal Auditing Office shall keep secret on its acts and comments until the individual reports and the General Executive Report have been submitted to the House of Representatives. The law shall establish appropriate punishments for offenders thereof;

III. Investigation of actions or omissions related to irregularities or illicit conducts about income, expenditures, management, safekeeping and use of funds and federal resources. The Federal Auditing Office can make home visits only to review the books, documents and files necessary for the investigation, in accordance to the law and formalities.

(The first paragraph was amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)

IV. As a result of its investigations, to promote the corresponding responsibilities before the Federal Court of Administrative Justice and the Prosecutor’s Office in charge of the fight against Corruption to establish the sanctions for federal public servants and, in the case of the second paragraph of fraction I of this Article, to state public servants, public servants of local councils and territorial demarcations of the Federal District, and private individuals.

(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)

(Added through a decree published on May 7, 2008)

Penalties and resolutions issued by the Federal Auditing Office may be appealed by the affected entities or public servants before the same Federal Auditing Office or before the courts mentioned in the Article 73, paragraph XXIX-H, of this Constitution, according to the law.

(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)

The Head of the Federal Auditing Office shall be appointed by the two-thirds of the members present in the House of Representatives, in accordance with the
procedure established by law for this purpose. The head of the Federal Auditing Office is appointed to serve for a period of eight years and may be appointed again once only. He may be removed, exclusively for serious misdemeanor described in the law, by the two-thirds of the members present in the House of Representatives. He may be also removed due to the causes established in the Title Four of this Constitution.

(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)
To qualify for the position of Head of the Federal Auditing Office, it is necessary to fill the requirements established in paragraphs I, II, IV, V and IV of the Article 95 of this Constitution, as well as the other requirements established by the law. While holding the office, the Head of the Federal Auditing Office cannot join any political party nor perform any other job, position or assignment, except for unpaid services in scientific, educational, cultural or beneficiary institutions.

(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015

(Reformed through a decree published on May 7, 2008)

The different Powers of the Union, the states and the government agencies subjected to revision shall assist the Federal Auditing Office in carrying out its work, refusal to do so shall be punished according to the law. This provision applies also to federal and local employees, as well as to any private or public entity, trust, mandate or fund that uses public federal resources. This provision does not damage the jurisdiction of other authorities nor the rights of the financial system users. In case of not providing said information, the responsible parties shall be punished according to the law.

The president of the Republic shall apply an administrative proceeding to enforce payment of compensations and pecuniary penalties defined in the paragraph IV of this article.

CHAPTER III

The Federal Executive Branch

Article 80

The power of the Executive Branch is vested in one single person, the President of the United Mexican States.
Article 81

The President of the United Mexican States is directly elected by the people according to the electoral law.

Article 82

Qualifications for the Presidency:

I. The candidate for the Presidency must be a natural born citizen, with legal capacity to exercise his rights, born of Mexican father or mother and must have live in the country for at least 20 years.

II. The candidate for the Presidency must be 35 years of age on the election date.

III. The candidate for the Presidency must have live in the country for a full year prior to the day of the election. Absences for up to 30 days do not interrupt residence.

IV. The candidate for the Presidency cannot be priest or minister of any religion.

V. The candidate should not be in active duty in the Army at least six months before the day of the election.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

VI. The candidate should not be State Secretary or Under-Secretary, Attorney General, or Governor, unless he resigns his position six months before the election date; and

VII. To be unaffected by the inabilities established under the Article 83.
Article 83.- The President will begin his tenure on December 1st and will last six years in office. The citizen who had performed as President of the Republic, popularly elected or under the interim or alternate character, or provisionally takes the title of the Federal Executive, in no case and under any circumstances may perform again this position.  

Article 84.- In case of a complete absence of President of the Republic, while the Congress appoints the interim or alternate president, in a term no longer than sixty days, the Minister of Interior will provisionally take the tenure of the Executive Power. In this case, sections II, III and VI of Article 82 of this Constitution will not be applicable.

Whoever provisionally takes the Presidency will not be able to withdraw or appoint State Secretaries, or the Attorney General of the Republic, without the previous authorization of the Chamber of Senators. Likewise, he will deliver to the Congress of the Union a work report within ten days, as of the moment when his commission ends.

When there is complete absence of President during the two first years of the respective period, if the Congress of the Union was in sessions and attending, at least two thirds of the total number of members of each Chamber, immediately the Electoral College will be constituted and through secret ballot and absolute majority of votes, an interim president will be appointed, under the terms set by the Law of the Congress. The same Congress will issue, within ten days following such appointment, the call for the election of President that
should end the respective period having to mediate between the notification and appointed
to perform the election day, in a no less than seven months period or over nine months
period. The person elected will start office and swear before the Congress seven days after
the electoral process has ended

(Amended by decree published on August 9, 2012)

If the Congress is not in sessions, the Permanent Commission will immediately call for
extraordinary sessions to constitute the Electoral College, appoint an interim president and
issue the call to presidential elections under the terms of the previous paragraph.

(Amended by decree published on August 9, 2012)

When there is a complete absence of President in the last four years of the respective
period, if the Congress of the Union is in session, it will appoint an alternate president, who
will complete the period, following in that capacity, the same procedure as in the case of
the interim president.

(Paragraph added by decree published on August 9, 2012)

If the Congress was not meeting, the Permanent Commission will immediate call for
extraordinary sessions to constitute the Electoral College and to appoint an alternate
president, following in that capacity, the same procedure as in the case of interim president.

(Amended by decree published on August 9, 2012)

Article 85.- If before starting a constitutional period the election was not made or declared
as valid, the President whose office has ended will cease and the interim president will be
that appointed by the Congress under the terms of the above Article.

(Amended by decree published on August 9, 2012)

If when starting a constitutional period there is a complete absence of President of the
Republic, the position will be provisionally taken by the President of the Chamber of
Senators, while the Congress appoints the interim president, in accordance to the above
Article.
When the President requests leave to separate himself from the office up to sixty natural days, once authorized by the Congress, the Minister of Interior will provisionally take the tenure of the Executive Power.

If a temporary absence of the President becomes into an absolute absence, the Congress shall act as indicated in the previous article.

Article 86

The President of the Republic can resign his position only due to a serious cause, which shall be evaluated by the Congress, to whom the resignation shall be submitted.

Article 87

The President, upon taking office, takes the following oath before the Congress, or before the Permanent Committee during the recess of the Congress: “I swear to observe and uphold the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States and the laws that emanate from it, and to loyally and patriotically perform the position of President of the Republic, which the people have conferred upon me, pursuing the welfare and prosperity of the country; and if I do not fulfill these obligations, may the Nation demand it of me.”

If by any circumstance the President could not swear in as such under the terms of the above paragraph, he will do so immediately before the Executive Boards of the Chambers of the Congress of the Union.

In case that the President could not swear in before the Congress of the Union, before the Permanent Commission or before the Executive Boards of the Chambers of the Congress of
the Union, he will do so immediately before the President of the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation.

*(Reformed through a decree published on August 29, 2008)*

**Article 88**

The President of the Republic can leave the national territory for up to seven days, previously notifying his reasons to the Senate or the Permanent Committee, as applicable, as well as the outcome of his activities. For absences larger than seven days, the President shall request a permit from the Senate or the Permanent Committee.

**Article 89**

The President of the Republic’s powers and rights include the following:

I. To enact and execute the laws issued by the Congress of the Union in the administrative field.

*(Amended by decree published on August 9, 2012)*

II. To freely appoint and remove the State Secretaries, to remove the ambassadors, general councils and upper management employees of Taxation, and to freely appoint and remove the rest of the employees of the Union, whose appointment or removal is not otherwise set in the Constitution or laws;

*(Added by decree published on February 10, 2014)*

State Secretaries and top executive employees of the Treasury and Foreign Affairs Ministries will take office on the day of appointment, when not endorsed under the terms of this Constitution, they shall leave office.

*(Added by decree published on February 10, 2014)*

In the cases of endorsement of Foreign Affairs and Treasury Ministries, when the coalition government is not an option, if the respective Chamber does not endorse twice the appointment of the same State Secretary, the President of the Republic shall appoint the person to take the position.\(^\text{11}\)

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\(^\text{11}\) According to the twelfth transitory article of the amendment decree published on February 10, 2014, paragraphs two and three, fraction II of Article 89 of the CPEUM will go into force on December 1\(^\text{st}\), 2018.
III. To appoint, with approval from the Senate, the ambassadors, general counsels and upper management employees of Taxation and the members of the collegiate bodies in charge of regulating in telecommunications, power and economic matters;

IV. To appoint, with approval from the Senate, Coronels and other chiefs of the National Army, Navy and Air Forces;

V. To appoint, according to the law, the rest of the officers of the Army, Navy and Air Force.

VI. To protect national security, in accordance to the applicable law, for this purpose, The President of the Republic can make use of the permanent armed forces: The Army, the Navy and the Air Force.

VII. To make use of the National Guard to assure domestic security and to protect the nation from other nations, observing the provisions established in the Article 76, section IV.

VIII. To declare war in the name of the United Mexican States, having the previous authorization of the Congress.

IX. To participate in the appointment and removal of the Attorney General of the Republic under the terms provided in Article 102, Section A, of this Constitution.
X. To lead the foreign policy; to make and execute international treaties; as well as to end, condemn, suspend, modify, amend, withdraw reservations and make interpretative declarations relating such treaties and conventions, requiring the authorization of the Senate. For these purposes, the President of the Republic shall observe the following principles: the right to self-determination; non-intervention; peaceful solution of controversies; outlawing the use of force or threat in international relations; equal rights of States; international cooperation for development; the respect, protection and promotion of human rights; and the struggle for international peace and security.

XI. To call the Congress to an extraordinary period of sessions at Permanent Committee’s request.

XII. To provide the Judicial Branch with all the assistance necessary for the free performance of its duties.

XIII. To equip all kind of ports; to set up maritime and border customs, indicating the place to install them.

*(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)*

XIV. To grant, according to the law, a pardon to the convicts sentenced because of federal crimes or common crimes;

XV. To grant exclusive privileges, for a limited period of time, to discoverers, inventors or improvers in any branch of industry, according to the applicable law.

XVI. During the recess of the Congress, the President of the Republic can make the appointments mentioned in the paragraphs III, IV and IX, having the approval of the Permanent Committee.

*(Added by decree published on February 10, 2014)*

XVII. At any moment, to choose a coalition government with one or several political parties represented in the Congress of the Union.
The coalition government will be ruled by the respective agreement and program, which shall be approved by the majority of the members present at the Senate. The agreement shall state the dissolution causes of the coalition government.  

XVIII. To submit to the Senate a list of candidates to become ministers of the Supreme Court of Justice; and to require authorization for their leaves and resignations.

(Amended by decree published on February 7, 2014)

XIX. To object the appointment by the Senate of commissioners of a guarantor body provided in Article 6th, of this Constitution under the terms established in this Constitution and the law;

XX. Other powers expressly conferred by this Constitution.

Article 90

Federal Public Administration shall be centralized and semipublic, according to the organic law issued by the Congress, which shall distribute the federal administrative affairs among the several Secretariats and shall define the general bases to create semipublic entities and the President of the Republic’s intervention there.

The laws shall regulate relationships between semipublic entities and the President of the Republic and the Secretariats.

(Added by decree published on February 10, 2014)

The role of the Legal Adviser of the Government will be in charge of the Federal Executive agency established by the law for such purpose.

(Added by decree published on February 10, 2014)

The Federal Executive shall represent the Federation in the matters where involved through the agency run by the Legal Adviser of the Government or the State Secretaries under the terms established by law.

12 According to the twelfth transitory article of the amendment decree published on February 10, 2014, fraction XVII of article 89 of the CPEUM will go into force on December 1st, 2018.
Article 91

In order to become a member of the Cabinet, it is required to be a Mexican citizen by birth, with legal capacity to exercise his rights, and to be 30 years old.

Article 92

All regulations, decrees, covenants and orders issued by the President of the Republic shall be signed by the Secretary in question, otherwise they won’t be compulsory.

Article 93

Members of the Cabinet, as soon as the ordinary period of sessions is open, shall answer to the Congress for the state of their respective affairs.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

(Reformed through a decree published on August 15, 2008)

Any of the Chambers may call the State Secretaries, directors, managers of state agencies, as well as the heads of the autonomous bodies to report under oath when a law is under discussion or a business is being analyzed regarding their respective branches or activities, or in order to answer inquiries or questions.

The House of Representatives, by request of a quarter of its members, and the Senate, by request of a half of its members, have the power to create committees to investigate functioning of decentralized and semipublic entities. Results of investigations shall be submitted to the President of the Republic.

(Added through a decree published on August 15, 2008)

Any of the Houses can require, in writing, the heads of the federal agencies to provide information or documents, who shall answer within the 15 days after request was received.

(Added through a decree published on August 15, 2008)
These attributions shall be exercised according to the Law and regulations of the Congress.

CHAPTER IV

The Judicial Branch

Article 94

The judicial power of the United Mexican States is vested in a Supreme Court of Justice, an Electoral Court, specialized circuit courts, unitary circuit courts and the district courts.

The Federal Judicial Council shall deal with matters of administration, supervision and discipline for Mexican federal judges, except by the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation, according to the provisions established by law.

The Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation shall consist of 11 ministers and shall work at plenary meetings or at courtrooms.

Sessions in plenary meeting or in courtrooms shall be public, in accordance with the law. Sessions may be secret whenever public interest or public morality should so require it.

The laws shall regulate, based on this Constitution, powers and functioning of the Supreme Court of Justice, the circuit courts, the district courts and the Electoral Court. The law shall establish liabilities for the Judicial Power’s employees.

(Amended by decree published on 11 June, 2013)

The Federal Judiciary Council will define the number, circuit division, territorial jurisdiction and specialization by area, including broadcast, telecommunications and economic competition of the Collegiate Courts and Unitary Circuit courts and District Courts.
The Supreme Court of Justice shall have the power to issue general covenants in order to create circuit courts, according to the number and specialization of the courts that belong to each circuit. The laws shall regulate integration and operation of these circuit courts.

The Supreme Court of Justice in plenary meeting shall have the power to issue general covenants in order to achieve an adequate distribution of issues among the courts and to submit to the specialized circuit courts those cases where they shall have established precedents and those affairs selected by the Supreme Court in order to deal with the cases promptly. Said covenants shall come into force after being published.

Constitutional adjudications, constitutional controversies and unconstitutionality claims shall have priority when one of the chambers of the Congress, through its President or the President of the Republic, justifies the urgency on the basis of social interest or the law and order, in accordance with the regulatory laws. This priority shall be requested by the Government Legal Advisor.

The law shall define the cases where precedents established by the federal and circuit courts shall be compulsory, relating to interpretation of the Constitution and general laws, as well as the requirements for interruption and modification thereof.

Remuneration granted to the ministers of the Supreme Court, the associated judges, the district judges, the councilors of the Federal Judiciary and the electoral judges, cannot be reduced during their term.

Ministers of the Supreme Court shall be appointed for a 15 years term, they may be removed only in the cases provided in the Title Fourth of this Constitution. Ministers shall be entitled to a retirement payment at the end of their term.
Ministers cannot serve a second term, unless they have held the office as provisional or interim ministers.

Article 95

To be appointed as minister of the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation, it is required:

I. To be a Mexican citizen by birth, with legal capacity to exercise his political and civil rights.

II. To be at least 35 years old.

III. To have a law degree, at least 10 years ago, issued by an institution legally empowered for that purpose.

IV. To have a good reputation and not have been convicted for a crime punishable by imprisonment for more than one year. However, should the crime have been robbery, fraud, forgery, breach of confidence or any other which would seriously damage good reputation, he shall be disqualified for office, whatever penalty may have been.

V. To have lived in the country the last two years before appointment.

(Amended by decree published on January 20, 2016) (Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

VI. Not have been State Secretary, Attorney General, senator, federal representative, constitutional governor the whole year before the appointment.
Preferably, ministers shall be persons who have served with efficiency, ability and integrity in the dispensation of justice, or who have distinguished themselves by their honor, ability and career in the legal field.

**Article 96**

For appointment of a minister of the Supreme Court of Justice, the President of the Republic shall submit a list of three candidates to the Senate, who should listen them and then choose one by the two-third vote within a 30 days period of time. This period may not be extended. Should the Senate not decide within such term, then the President of the Republic shall appoint one person from the list he has proposed.

If the Senate rejects all the three candidates in the list, the President of the Republic shall submit a new one, then the provisions established in the previous paragraph shall be observed. If the Senate rejects this second list completely, the President of the Republic shall appoint one person from such list.

**Article 97**

District and circuit judges shall be appointed by the Federal Judicial Council, based on objective criteria and observing the requirements and procedures established by law. District and circuit judges shall be appointed for a six years term. At the end of such term, they may be ratified or promoted, in such case, they may be dismissed only in the cases described by the law and following the established procedure.

*Reformed by the decree published on June 10, 2011*

The Supreme Court of justice of the Nation can request the Federal Judicial Council to investigate the behavior of a federal judge or magistrate.

*Paragraph repealed through a decree published on November 13, 2007*

Paragraph has been repealed.
The Supreme Court of Justice shall have the power to appoint and remove its secretary, officials and employees. Magistrates and judges shall have the power to appoint and remove the officials and employees for the circuit courts and district courts, observing the regulation about the judicial career.

Every four years, the Supreme Court of Justice, in plenary meeting, shall appoint a president for the Supreme Court from among its members. The President of the Supreme Court cannot be reelected for the next immediate term.

Each minister of the Supreme Court of Justice, upon taking office, takes the following oath before the Senate:

President of the Senate: “Do you swear loyally and patriotically perform the position of Minister of the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation, which has been conferred upon you and to observe and uphold the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States and the laws that emanate from it, pursuing the welfare and prosperity of the country?”

Minister: “Yes, I do.”

President of the Senate: “if you do not fulfill these obligations, may the Nation demand it of you.”

Circuit magistrates and district judges shall take the oath before the Supreme Court of Justice and the Federal Judicial Council.

**Article 98**

Whenever the absence of a minister exceeds one month, the President of the Republic shall submit a list of three candidates to the Senate in order to elect one interim minister according to that established in the Article 96 of this Constitution.
Should a minister be absent by cause of death or any other definitive cause, the President of the Republic shall submit a list of three candidates to the Senate in order to elect one according to that established in the Article 96 of this Constitution.

Resignation of a minister shall be accepted only due to serious offence. Resignation shall be submitted to the President of the Republic, who, if accepts it, shall in turn submit resignation to the Senate.

The leaves for the ministers that do not exceed one month can be granted by the Supreme Court of Justice. Those leaves exceeding such term, shall be granted by the President of the Republic with the Senate’s approval. No leave may exceed a term of two years.

(Reformed through a decree published on November 13, 2007)

**Article 99**

The Electoral Court shall be the highest authority in this area and the specialized body of the Federal Judicial Branch, except by that established in the Article 105, paragraph II, of this Constitution.

The Electoral Court shall work on a permanent basis, it shall have a Superior Electoral Court and regional electoral courts. Resolving sessions of the Electoral Court shall be public in accordance with the law. The Electoral Court shall have enough legal and administrative personnel for an appropriate performance.

The Superior Electoral Court shall be integrated by seven electoral magistrates, who shall appoint a president of the Electoral Court among them to hold the office for a period of four years.

The Electoral Court shall resolve the issues listed below, in a definitive an irrefutable manner, observing the provisions established by this Constitution and the applicable law:
I. Appeals of elections regarding representatives and senators.

II. Contestation of election of the President of the Republic. Only the Superior Electoral Court can resolve such kind of contestations.

The Superior Electoral Court and the regional electoral courts can annul an election only due to the causes expressly indicated in the law.

The Superior Electoral Court shall carry out the final count of votes in the election of the President of the Republic, provided that contestations thereof have been resolved. Then, the Electoral Court shall declare the validity of the election and shall name the elected President, i.e., the candidate who has obtained the highest number of votes.

III. Contestations of acts and resolutions issued by the federal electoral authority, different to those mentioned in the two previous paragraphs.

IV. Contestations of final acts and resolutions issued by the state electoral authorities related to organization and assessment of elections; as well as controversies arisen during the election process that could affect such election process or the results thereof. This procedure shall be admissible only when the remedy requested is physically and legally possible within the electoral terms, and provided that it is feasible to be implemented before the date legally established for set up of the electoral bodies or for inauguration of elected officials. V. Contestations regarding acts and resolutions that infringe political-electoral rights of citizens: right to vote, right to be elected, right to freely join a party, right to peaceful assembly, according to this Constitution and laws.

Contestations, filed by citizens against the political party they are affiliated, will be valid only if the plaintiff has exhausted all the instances provided by the party for solution of internal conflicts. The law shall establish regulations and terms for this kind of contestations.

VI. Labor conflicts between the Electoral Court and its employees.
VII. Labor conflicts between the National Electoral Institute and its employees;

VIII. Definition and imposition of sanctions by the National Electoral Institute on political parties, political associations, or private or legal entities, either national or foreign, who have infringed dispositions provided by this Constitution and the laws;

IX. Cases submitted by the National Electoral Institute on breaches to Base III, or Article 41 and eighth paragraph of Article 134 of this Constitution; rules on political and electoral propaganda, as well as for run-ups and campaigns and set the corresponding penalties, and

X. Other issues specified by the law.

The courtrooms of the Electoral Court shall make use of the necessary coercive means in order to enforce their sentences and resolutions, in accordance with the terms established by law.

Without prejudice to the Article 105 of this Constitution, the courtrooms of the Electoral Court can determine not to apply electoral laws which are contrary to this Constitution. Such kind of resolutions shall be limited to the concrete case in question. In such event, the Superior Electoral Court shall notify the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation.

When a courtroom of the Electoral Court defends an argument on the unconstitutionality of an act or resolution, or on the interpretation of a constitutional provision, and such argument may be contradictory to the one sustained by the Supreme Court of Justice, then any of the ministers, courtrooms or parties can denounce the contradiction, according to the terms established by the law. The Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation, in plenary meeting, shall decide definitely which argument shall prevail. Such kind of resolutions shall not affect the cases already decided.
This Constitution and the laws shall regulate the organization of the Electoral Court, the jurisdiction of the courtrooms, the procedures to decide the affairs, as well as the mechanisms to set mandatory legal precedents in this matter.

The Superior Electoral Court can bring cases from regional electoral courts at their request. Likewise, the Superior Electoral Court can submit cases to the regional electoral courts for resolution. The law shall establish regulations and procedures to exercise such kind of power.

In accordance with the terms provided by the law, the administration, supervision and discipline of the Electoral Court shall pertain to a committee of the Federal Judicial Council, which shall be composed of: a) the president of the Electoral Court, who shall chair; b) a magistrate from the Superior Electoral Court, elected by secret vote; and c) three members of the Federal Judicial Council. The Electoral Court shall submit its proposal about its own budget to the president of the Supreme Court of Justice in order to be included in the budget of the federal judicial branch. The Electoral Court shall issue its own internal regulations and decrees it should require to operate adequately.

Magistrates composing the High Court and the regional courts of the Electoral Court shall be proposed by the Supreme Court of Justice and elected by the vote of the two-thirds of the senators present. Election of the magistrates shall be staggered, observing the rules and procedures established by law.

Magistrates composing the High Court of the Electoral Court shall meet the requirements stated by the law, which may not be less than those required to be a minister of the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation. Magistrates shall hold the office for a term of nine years. This term cannot be extended. The magistrates of the High Court of the Electoral Court shall submit their resignations, leaves and permits to the High Court of the Electoral Court, which shall process and grant them, as applicable according to the Article 98 of this Constitution.

Magistrates composing the regional courts of the Electoral shall meet the requirements stated by the law, which may not be less than those required to be a circuit magistrate. Regional magistrates shall hold the office for a term of nine years. This term cannot be extended, unless they got a promotion.
In case of a definitive vacancy, a new magistrate shall be appointed, who shall finish the term.

Labor relations between the Electoral Court and its employees shall be regulated by the rules applicable to the federal judicial branch and by the special laws and exceptions applicable to them.

**Article 100**

The Federal Judicial Council shall be a body belonging to the federal judicial branch and shall have technical and operational independence, it shall also be independent to issue its resolutions.

The Federal Judicial Council shall be composed of seven members: the president of the Supreme Court of Justice, who shall also be the chairman of the Council; three councilors appointed by the Supreme Court in plenary meeting, by at least eight votes; the candidates proposed by the Supreme Court shall be circuit magistrates or district judges; two councilors appointed by the Senate and one councilor appointed by the President of the Republic.

All councilor shall meet the requirements established in the Article 95 of this Constitution and shall be individuals who have distinguished themselves through professional and administrative capacity, honesty and honor in the conduct of their activities. In the case of the councilor appointed by the Supreme Court, they must also have a good professional reputation within the field of the judiciary.

The Federal Judicial Council shall work at plenary meeting or at committees. The plenary meeting of the Council shall decide on appointment, assignment, ratification and dismissal of magistrates and judges, as well as on other affairs defined by the law.
Except by the chairman of the Council, the councilor shall hold the office for a period of five years, they shall be replaced in a staggered manner. Councilors cannot be appointed for a second period.

The councilors do not represent the institutions appointing them, therefore, they shall perform their duties in an independent and impartial manner. They may be dismissed only in accordance with the provisions established in the Title Four of this Constitution.

The law shall create the basis to provide training and updating to the public officials, as well as to develop judicial career, which shall be governed by the principles of excellence, objectivity, impartiality, professionalism and independence.

The Federal Judicial Council shall have the power to make and execute general covenants in order to achieve an adequate performance of its duties. The Supreme Court of Justice can request the Council to make and execute those general covenants that are necessary to achieve an adequate performance of the federal duties. The Supreme Court of justice can also review such covenants and, if necessary, revoke them by a majority of at least eight votes. The law shall regulate the exercise of these powers.

Federal Judicial Council’s decisions are final and irrefutable, therefore, no trial or legal instrument is accepted against such decisions, except by decisions related to appointment, assignment, ratification and dismissal of magistrates and judges. Such kind of decisions can be reviewed by the Supreme Court of Justice only with the purpose to verify they have been taken according to the rules established in the applicable organic law.

The Supreme Court of Justice shall propose its own budget, and the Federal Judicial Council shall propose the budget for the rest of the federal judicial branch, but complying with the provisions established in the Article 99, paragraph seventh, of this Constitution. These budgets shall be submitted by the President of the Supreme Court of Justice in order to include them into the Nation’s federal budget. The President of the Supreme Court of Justice shall manage the Supreme Court’s internal affairs.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
Article 101. The ministers of the Supreme Court of Justice, the circuit magistrates, the district judges, their respective clerks, the councilors of the Federal Judicial Council and the Justices of the High Chamber of the Electoral Court cannot accept or perform any other job or assignment, either in a private company or in the federal or state government, except for those performed for free in scientific, educational, literary or charitable associations.

The ministers of the Supreme Court of Justice, the circuit magistrates, the district judges, the councilors of the Federal Judicial Council and the magistrates of the High Court of the Electoral Court, within the two years after finishing their respective term, shall not be allowed to work as attorneys, lawyers or legal representatives in any case before the agencies belonging to the federal judicial power.

During the same term, the former ministers cannot be appointed for such positions mentioned in the Article 95, paragraph VI of this Constitution, unless they have been provisional or interim ministers.

Impediments established in this article will apply also to the judicial officials who have leaves.

In the event of infringement of the provisions stated in the previous paragraphs, the offenders shall be punished with dismissal and loss of benefits, even benefits that could correspond to such position in the future, in addition to the other penalties established by law.

Article 102

(The first paragraph was amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

A.- The Public Prosecution Service shall be organized into a Federal Auditing Office as an autonomous public agency granted with legal identity and own estate.

To become Attorney General, it is required: to be a Mexican citizen by birth; to be at least 35 years old on appointment date; to be a law graduate for a minimum of 10 years; to have a good reputation; and not to have been convicted due to an intentional crime.
The Attorney General will be in office for nine years and will be appointed and dismissed according to the following:

I. On the definite absence of the Attorney General, the Senate will have twenty days to make the list of at least ten candidates for the office, approved by two thirds of the members present and will be sent to the President of the Republic.

Should the President of the Republic not receive the list, within the following ten days the President shall propose a slate of three and freely send it to the Senate and provisionally appoint the Attorney General, who will exercise duties until the final appointment according to this article. In this case, the appointed Attorney General may be part of the slate of three.

II. After receiving the list mentioned in the previous section, the President, within the next ten days, will propose a slate of three and send it to the Senate.

III. The Senate, based on the slate of three and previous attendance of the persons nominated and within ten days, will appoint the Attorney General with the vote of two thirds of the members present.

In the event that the President did not send the slate of three mentioned in the previous fraction, the Senate will appoint the Attorney General within days from among the candidates of the list mentioned in fraction I.

If the Senate does not make the appointment within the period established in the previous paragraphs, the President will appoint the Attorney General from among the candidates in the list or if applicable from the respective slate of three.

IV. The President of the Republic may dismiss Attorney General on serious grounds established by the law. The Senate may object, within ten working days, said dismissal by the majority vote of the members present; in such a case the Attorney General will be dismissed from duties. The objection will be deemed inexistent if the Senate does not pronounce on that regard.

V. When the Senate is in recess, the Permanent Committee will immediately call for extraordinary sessions for the appointment or objection of the dismissal of the General Attorney.

VI. The Attorney General’s absence will be replaced under the terms provided by the law.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

The Public Prosecution Service shall have the power to prosecute in court all the federal crimes and to request the arrest warrant against the accused. The Public Prosecution Service has the duty to procure and submit evidence to prove the
defendant participation in acts appointed by the law as crimes, to make sure that trials are carried out with regularity so that justice may be provided in a prompt and clear manner, to request the imposition of penalties and to intervene in all matters determined by law.

The Attorney General's office shall at least have the specialized prosecution offices on electoral crimes and to fight corruption. The Attorney General shall appoint and dismiss the heads of said specialized prosecution offices. The Senate may object the appointment and dismissal of the specialized prosecutors afore mentioned by the vote of two thirds of the members present, within the deadline set by the law; The objection will be deemed inexistent if the Senate does not pronounce within said period.

The Law will establish the bases for the education and updating of employees of the Prosecution Office, as well as for their professional career development, which shall be ruled by the principles of legality, objectivity, efficiency, professionalism, honesty and respect to human rights.

The Attorney General shall report annually to the Legislative and Executive Branches of the Union, appearing before any of the Houses when called for accountability or to report on his job.

The Attorney General and the public prosecutors shall be liable for faults, omissions or infringements that they commit because of their duties.

B.- The Congress of the Union and the state legislatures shall provide, under their respective jurisdictions, agencies directed to protect the human rights which are recognized by the Mexican legal system. Such agencies shall receive all the complaints against administrative actions or omissions committed against human rights by any public employee, except for the officials working for the federal judicial branch.

(Reformed by the decree published on June 10, 2011)

These agencies shall issue public recommendations, which shall not be compulsory. They also shall file accusations and complaints with the appropriate authorities. All public servants are obliged to answer the recommendations issued by these agencies. When the authorities or public servants responsible do not accept or enforce these recommendations, they must substantiate such refusal and make it publish. In addition, the Senate, the Permanent Committee or the state congresses, as appropriate, may call, at the request of these agencies, the authorities or public servants responsible to appear and explain the reasons of such refusal.
These agencies shall not have jurisdiction over electoral and jurisdictional matters.

Such kind of agency, created by the Congress of the Union, shall be called National Human Rights Commission. It shall have managerial autonomy, legal status and its own wealth and budget.

State constitutions shall establish and guarantee the autonomy of the human rights protection agencies.

The National Human Rights Commission shall have a Board of Advisors, which will be composed of ten councilors, who shall be elected by two-thirds of the members present at the Senate, or at the Permanent Committee during the congress recess. The law shall establish the procedure to be followed by the Senate to nominate the candidates. Every year, the most senior councilors shall be replaced, unless they are proposed and ratified for a second term.

The President of the National Human Rights Commission shall be elected following the procedure established in the previous paragraph, he/she shall be also the chairman of the Board of Advisors. He/she shall hold office for a five years term and may be reelected once only. He/she may be dismissed only in the cases established in the Title Fourth of this Constitution.

The election of the President of the National Human Rights Commission, as well as the members of the Board of Advisors and the heads of the state human rights commissions, shall be subject to a referendum, which shall meet the requirements established by law.
The President of the National Human Rights Commission shall submit an annual report to the three branches of the Union. For this purpose, he/she shall appear before both Houses under the terms established by law.

The National Human Rights Commission shall hear complaints against the resolutions, covenants and omissions made by the state human rights commissions.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

(Added by the decree published on June 10, 2011)

The National Human Rights Commission can investigate serious violations of human rights, at the request of the President of the Republic, the Senate, the House of Representatives, a governor, or a state congress.

(Reformed by the decree published on June 6, 2011)

**Article 103.**-

The federal courts shall resolve all disputes concerning:

I. Laws or acts issued by the authority, or omissions committed by the authority, which infringe the fundamental rights recognized and protected by this Constitution and the international treaties signed by Mexico.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

II. Laws or acts issued by the federal government and which break or restrict the sovereignty of the Mexican states or the autonomy of Mexico City, and

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

III. Laws and acts issued by the state authorities that invade the jurisdiction of the federal authority.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

**Article 104**

The federal courts shall have jurisdiction over:
I. Proceedings relating to federal crimes.

II. Any civil or mercantile controversy arisen about the observance and enforcement of federal laws or international treaties signed by Mexico. The plaintiff can file such kind of controversy with an ordinary court when the controversy affects only private interests. Sentences pronounced by a trial court may be challenged with the appropriate appellate court.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)
III. Review resources filed against final rulings pronounced by the administrative courts mentioned in the article 73, fraction XXIX-H of this Constitution, but only in the cases provided by the law. Review resources that are to be heard by the specialized circuit courts shall be subject to the formalities established by the statutory law of the articles 103 and 107 of this Constitution. No trial or legal instrument shall be admissible against the rulings pronounced by the specialized circuit courts on such review resources;

IV. Any controversy relating to maritime law.

V. Any controversy where the Federal Government is an interested party.

VI. Any controversy or action mentioned in the Article 105, which can be resolved exclusively by the Supreme Court of Justice.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
VII. All disputes between a Mexican state and one or more inhabitants of another state, and

VIII. All controversies regarding diplomats and consuls.
**Article 105**

The Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation shall resolve the cases related to the following topics, in accordance with the provisions established by the applicable statutory law:

(Amended by decree published in October 15, 2012)

I. About constitutional disputes, except for those referring to electoral matters, between:

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

a) The Federal Government and one state.

b) The Federal Government and one local authority.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

c) The President of the Republic and the Congress of the Union; the President of the Republic and any of the Houses; or as the case may be, the Permanent Committee;

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

d) Two States;

(Repealed by decree published on January 29, 2016)

e) Repealed.

(Repealed by decree published on January 29, 2016)

f) Repealed.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

g) Two local councils belonging to different states.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

h) Two powers belonging to the same state about the constitutionality of their acts or general provisions;
i) A state and one of its local councils, about the constitutionality of their acts or regulations.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

j) A state and a local council belonging to another state or a territorial demarcation of Mexico City, about the constitutionality of their acts or general provisions, and

(Repealed by decree published on January 29, 2016)

k) Repealed.

(Amended by decree published on February 7, 2014)

(Added by decree published on 11 June, 2013)

l) Two independent constitutional bodies, among them the Executive Branch of the Union or the Congress of the Union about constitutionality of the acts and general provisions. The provision in this section will be applicable to the guarantor body specified in article 6th of the Constitution.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

The rulings taken by the Supreme Court of Justice, by a majority of eight vote, invalidating general provisions, shall have general compulsory effect; provided that the respective controversy is generated by the general provisions issued by a state or local council, or territorial demarcations of Mexico City, and which are challenged by the Federal Government; or by the general provisions issued by a local council or territorial demarcations of Mexico City and which has been challenged by the state; or in the cases indicated in paragraphs “c”, “h” and “k

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l) Two independent constitutional bodies, among them the Executive Branch of the Union or the Congress of the Union about constitutionality of the acts and general provisions.
In all other cases, the rulings pronounced by the Supreme Court of Justice shall have effect only on the particular case in question.

II. Unconstitutionality lawsuits directed to raise a contradiction between a general regulation and this constitution.

Unconstitutionality lawsuits shall be initiated within the 30 days after publication of the regulation, they shall be initiated by:

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

a) The equivalent of thirty-three percent the members of the House of Representatives against federal laws or laws enacted by the Congress;

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
b) The equivalent of thirty-three percent of the members of the Senate against federal laws or against international treaties signed by the Mexican State;

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)
c) The Federal Executive through the Government’s Legal Adviser, against federal and state laws;

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
d) The equivalent of thirty-three percent of the members of a state legislature, against laws enacted by such state legislature;

(Repealed by decree published on January 29, 2016)
e) Repealed.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)
f) the political parties duly registered before the National Electoral Institute, through their national leaders and against federal or local electoral laws; also, the state parties, through their leaders, only against electoral laws enacted by the state legislature that granted them registration;

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
g) the National Human Rights Commission, against federal or state laws, against laws enacted by states, as well as against international treaties signed by the President of the Republic and approved by the Senate of the Republic, which break human rights established in this Constitution. Also, unconstitutionality lawsuits can be initiated by the state human rights agencies, against laws issued by the state legislature;

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)  
(Added by decree published on February 7, 2014)

h) The guarantor body stated on article 6 of this Constitution against the federal and local laws, as well as international treaties signed by the President of the Republic and approved by the Senate of the Republic that breach the right to access public information and personal data protection. Also, guarantor bodies equivalent on states against laws enacted by local state legislatures; and

(Added by decree published on February 10, 2014)

i) The Attorney General regarding federal and state criminal and procedural criminal laws, as well as those related to their duties;

The only legal instrument to appeal the unconstitutionality of an electoral law is the one provided in this article.

Federal and local electoral laws shall be enacted and published at least 90 days before the electoral process begins. During an electoral process, essential amendments cannot be carried out.

The rulings of the Supreme Court of Justice can invalidate the regulations that have been challenged only if such rulings have been approved by a majority of eight votes.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

III. By its own motion, or by motion justified and submitted by the corresponding unitary circuit court of the Federal Executive, or by the Legal Adviser of the Government, as well as the Attorney General of the Republic on cases involving the Public Prosecutor’s Office, the Supreme Court of Justice can hear appeals
against sentences pronounced by district judges, provided that the Federal Government is an interested party in the case and such case is transcendental.

Invalidations mentioned in the sections I and II of this article shall not have retroactive effect, except by criminal matter, where criminal general principles and legal provisions shall govern.

In case of failure to comply with the rulings mentioned in the sections I and II of this article, the procedures established in the Article 107, first two paragraphs of the section XVI, of this Constitution shall be applied.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

Article 106. The Judicial Branch, according to the terms provided in the respective law, shall resolve the controversies that could arise between two federal courts or between a federal court and a state court, or between two courts belonging to different states.

(First paragraph was reformed by the decree published on June 6, 2011)

Article 107

All controversies mentioned in the article 103 of this Constitution, except for electoral controversies, shall follow the legal procedures and formalities established by the statutory law, according to the following principles:

(Reformed by the decree published on June 6, 2011)

I. The constitutional adjudication (appeal on the grounds of unconstitutionality) shall be carried out at the request of the offended party. The offended party is the holder of an individual or collective right, which has been violated by the challenged act, affecting his/her legal framework, either directly or by the means of his/her special situation before the legal system.
Regarding acts or rulings pronounced by administrative or labor courts, the plaintiff must argue that he/she holds a subjective right that has been directly and personally affected.

(Reformed by the decree published on June 6, 2011)

II. The sentence pronounced in a constitutional adjudication shall cover only to the plaintiffs, protecting them only in the specific case concerned in the complaint.

If a court rules unconstitutionality of a general provision for a second consecutive time in constitutional adjudications, the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation must notify the authority which enacted such provision.

When the bodies belonging to the Federal Judicial Branch establish legal precedents by repetition, ordering unconstitutionality of a general provision, the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation shall notify the authority which enacted such provision. If after 90 days the unconstitutionality is not overcome, the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation shall issue a declaration of unconstitutionality, indicating its scope and conditions, according to the statutory law. Such declaration must be approved by a majority of 8 votes.

The previous two paragraphs do not apply to general provisions which regulate taxes.

In a constitutional adjudication, any deficiency regarding the terms “violation” and “grievances” should be corrected by the court, according to that established in the statutory law.

Whenever the acts claimed in the constitutional adjudication deprive or may deprive the farming cooperatives or communities or their members of their lands, waters, pasture and mountains, all evidence that could benefit any of the aforesaid entities or individuals must be obtained at the court’s own motion, and any proceedings that could be necessary to prove their rights must be ordered. Also, the nature and consequences of the claimed acts shall be defined.
In the constitutional adjudication mentioned in the preceding paragraph, dismissal of the suit because of procedural inactivity or by discontinuance shall not be admissible to the detriment of farming cooperatives or indigenous communities, or to the detriment of a native or joint-title farmer. However, this kind of proceedings shall be admissible to their benefit. Waiving or express consent shall not be accepted when the claimed acts affect the community’s rights, unless waiving or express consent are agreed by the General Assembly of the farming cooperative.

III. The constitutional adjudication against rulings pronounced by judicial, administrative or labor courts shall be admissible only in the following cases:

(Reformed by the decree published on June 6, 2011)

a) Against final rulings, binding judgments or resolutions that end the trial, no matter if infringement is committed by such rulings, binding judgments or resolutions, or during the proceeding affecting the plaintiff’s defense and the verdict. Regarding the constitutional adjudication mentioned in this subdivision and in the section V of this article, the specialized circuit court shall decide on all infringements to the proceedings and the corrections to the brief, establishing the terms for the new ruling. If such violations were not reported in the first constitutional adjudication, and the specialized court did not decide on the subject, then they cannot be invoked in a second constitutional adjudication.

The party who has obtained a favorable ruling, as well the party who has legal interest that the act in question persists, can file a constitutional adjudication in addition to the one filed by any of the parties involved in the trial that generated the challenged act. The law shall determine the procedure and requirements to file such trial.

For the constitutional adjudication admissibility, first the plaintiff must exhaust the ordinary instruments provided by the applicable law, which may be suitable to modify or revoke the final sentence, binding judgment or ruling, except for the cases when the law allows plaintiff to waive such resources.

Violations to the procedural law should be invoked when challenging the final rulings, binding judgments or resolutions that end the trial, provided that the plaintiff has challenged them through the ordinary instruments. However, this requirement does not apply to the constitutional adjudication filed against acts which affect the rights of minors.
or disabled persons, or affect the marital status or the family’s order and stability, or the criminal acts filed by the defendant.

b) Against acts during a trial which enforcement would render them impossible to restitute, provided that all applicable appeals have been exhausted.

c) Against acts affecting persons who are not involved in the trial.

(Reformed by the decree published on June 6, 2011)

IV. Regarding the administrative matter, the constitutional adjudication is accepted also against rulings pronounced by other authorities, different to the judicial, administrative and labor courts, which caused irreparable offence. It is necessary to exhaust these means of challenge, provided that the effects of such acts have been suspended by the court or by the plaintiff through the appropriate legal instrument. In this case, the constitutional adjudication shall have the same scope than the one indicated by the statutory law, and the requirements will be the same as required to grant the final suspension. Also, the term shall not be greater than the one established for provisional suspension, regardless of whether the act may be suspended or not, according to the law.

It is not necessary to exhaust such means of challenge when the challenged act has no grounds, or when only direct violations to this Constitution are argued.

(Reformed by the decree published on June 6, 2011)

V. The constitutional adjudication against final sentences, binding judgments or rulings that end the trial, shall be filed with the competent specialized circuit court, according to the law, in the following cases:

a) Relating to criminal matter, against final rulings pronounced by federal, ordinary or military courts.
b) Relating to administrative matter, when private persons challenge final sentences or rulings pronounced by administrative or judicial courts, provided that such sentences or rulings are not repairable through a legal instrument, trial or any other ordinary means.

c) Relating to civil matter, against final sentences pronounced in federal trials, or in federal or local mercantile trials, or in trials for common crimes.

In federal civil cases, sentences may be challenged through the constitutional adjudication by any of the interested parties, even the Federal Government, in defense of its pecuniary interests.

d) Relating to labor issues, when the constitutional adjudication challenges binding judgments pronounced by a federal or local Commission for Conciliation and Arbitration, or by the Federal Court of Conciliation and Arbitration for public employees.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)
The Supreme Court of Justice may hear direct constitutional adjudications that are important or transcendental, by its own motion or by motion justified and submitted by a specialized circuit court or by the Attorney General on cases involving the Public Prosecutor's Office, or the by the President of the Republic by the Legal Adviser of the Government.

(Reformed by the decree published on June 6, 2011)

VI. The Statutory Law shall indicate the procedure and conditions to be met by the specialized circuit courts and the Supreme Court in order to pronounce a ruling relating to section V of this Article.

(Reformed by the decree published on June 6, 2011)

VII. The constitutional adjudication against acts or omissions committed during a trial, in the trial context or after that the trial, or against acts that affect persons who are not involved in the trial, or against general laws or administrative authority’s acts or omissions, shall be lodged before the district judge having jurisdiction over the place where the
harmful actions have been committed or have been tried to be committed. The procedure for such constitutional adjudication is as follows: 1) authority’s report, 2) a hearing, 3) receipt of evidence provided by the interested parties, and 4) argument hearing. The sentence shall be pronounced in the hearing.

VIII. The sentences pronounced as a result of a constitutional adjudication by a district judge or a unitary circuit court may be reviewed. Such review shall be lodged before the Supreme Court of Justice:

(Reformed by the decree published on June 6, 2011)

a) In the event that the unconstitutionality still remains after the constitutional adjudication filed against general provisions.

b) In the cases mentioned in the Article 103, sections II and III, of this Constitution.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)
The Supreme Court of Justice may hear the constitutional adjudications that are important or transcendental, by its own motion or by motion justified and submitted by a specialized circuit court or by the Attorney General on cases involving the Public Prosecutor’s office or by the President of the Republic by the legal adviser of the government.

In all other cases, reviews shall be lodged before a specialized circuit court, which sentence shall be final and shall not admit any further review.

(Reformed by the decree published on June 6, 2011)

IX. Regarding the direct constitutional adjudication, the review resource is appropriate to challenge the sentences concerning the unconstitutionality of general provisions, or make a direct interpretation of a constitutional provision, or failed to rule on these issues, provided that the Supreme Court of Justice considers that such rulings create an important and transcendent criterion. In the constitutional adjudication, only the constitutional issues shall be analyzed.
X. Claimed acts may be suspended in the cases and under the terms established by law. For this purpose, the judge shall take into account the correct law and the public interest.

Regarding criminal matter, such suspension shall be applied while notifying the constitutional adjudication lodged. Regarding civil, mercantile and administrative matters, such suspension shall be applied when the plaintiff pays a bail, which shall be used to pay for the damages caused by the suspension to a third party. Such suspension shall be void if the other party pays an indemnity bond in order to assure re-installment of the situation as if the constitutional adjudication has been granted.

XI. The direct constitutional adjudication shall be lodged before the authority responsible, which shall rule on the suspension. In other cases, adjudication shall be filed with the district court or the unitary circuit court, which shall rule on suspension, or with the state courts where allowed by law;

XII. Appeals against violations to the constitutional rights provided under articles 16, related to criminal matter, 19 and 20, shall be filed with the superior court standing directly above the court that committed the infringement, or with the appropriate district judge or unitary circuit court. The rulings pronounced hereby may be reviewed according to the provisions established in the paragraph VIII of this article.

In the event that the district judge or unitary circuit court does not reside in the same place than the authority responsible, then the law shall define the appropriate judge or court to lodge the constitutional adjudication. Such judge or court can suspend temporarily the challenged act in accordance with the law.

(The first paragraph was amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)
(Reformed by the decree published on June 6, 2011)

XIII. In the event that specialized courts of the same circuit defend contradictory criteria regarding constitutional adjudication under their jurisdiction, then the Attorney General, on criminal and criminal procedural matters, as well as those under their jurisdiction, the specialized circuit courts, their members, the district judges, the parties or the President of the Republic, by the Legal Adviser, can report this contradiction to the appropriate circuit court, which shall decide which argument shall prevail as legal precedent.

In the event that circuit courts belonging to different circuits, or the specialized circuit courts belonging to the same circuit, or the circuit courts of the same circuit with different specialization defend contradictory criteria, then the ministers of the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation, the circuit courts or the bodies mentioned in the previous paragraph can report this contradiction to the Supreme Court of Justice, so that the Plenary Meeting or the respective courtroom decides which argument shall prevail.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

In the event that the Chambers of the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation hear and defend contradictory criteria on amparo actions, then the ministers of the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation, the circuit courts and their members, District judges, the Attorney General of the Republic on criminal and criminal procedural cases, as well as those related to their duties, the President of the Republic by the Legal Adviser or the parties involved may report said contradiction to the Supreme Court of Justice, so that the Plenary Meeting, according to the regulating law, to resolve such contradiction.

Rulings pronounced by the Plenary Meeting of the Supreme Court of Justice or by one of its courtrooms, or by the circuit courts according to the previous paragraphs, shall only establish jurisprudence. They shall not affect the specific legal situations derived from the sentences pronounced in the trials where contradictory legal precedents arose.

(Repealed by the decree published on June 6, 2011)

XIV. Repealed
(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

XV. The Attorney General, or the federal public prosecutor appointed by the Attorney General, shall be an interested party in all constitutional amparo actions, where the action claimed are from criminal proceedings and those appointed by the law;

(Reformed by the decree published on June 6, 2011)

XVI. If the authority responsible fails to enforce the sentence pronounced in the constitutional adjudication, but such failure is justified, then the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation shall grant the authority responsible a reasonable term to enforce the sentence, according to the procedure provided by the law. This term may be extended at the request of the authority responsible. If failure to observe the sentence is not justified, or the term has expired, then the Supreme Court of Justice shall separate the head of the authority responsible from office and bring him/her to trial before the appropriate district judge. This will apply also to the superior of the authority responsible if he/she is liable, as well as to the previous heads of the authority responsible, if they failed to enforce the sentence.

If, after that the constitutional adjudication has been granted, the act in question is repeated, the Supreme Court of Justice shall separate the head of the authority responsible from office, according to the procedure established by law, notifying the Federal Public Prosecution Service, unless the authority responsible acted with no premeditation and cancels the act in question before the Supreme Court of Justice pronounces the respective ruling.

The Supreme Court of Justice can replace the sentence pronounced in a constitutional adjudication, by its own motion or at the request of plaintiff, when the execution of such sentence affects seriously the society or third parties, more than the benefits granted to the plaintiff, or when it is impossible or excessively expensive restore the previous situation. Then, the sentence should be exchanged by an economic compensation to the plaintiff. For this purpose, the parties shall sign a covenant before the Supreme Court of Justice.

The constitutional adjudication cannot be filed until the sentence is enforced.

(Reformed by the decree published on June 6, 2011)
XVII. The responsible authority shall be prosecuted before the appropriate authority if it fails to suspend the challenged act having the duty to do so, as well as if it accepts a false or inadequate bail.

XVIII. Repealed.

TITLE FOUR

*(Name modified by decree published on May 27, 2015)*

Accountability of Public servants, related individuals with Administrative Misconducts or Incidents of Corruption and Liability against the State

*(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)*

*(First paragraph was reformed through a decree published on November 13, 2007)*

**Article 108.** For the purposes of this Title, public servants or civil servants are the representatives elected by popular vote, the members of the Federal Judicial Branch, the members of the Judicial Branch, the officials, the public employees and, in general, any person who holds any position or assignment in the Congress of the Union or in the Federal Public Administration. Public servants are also the persons who work in the autonomous bodies created by this Constitution. Public servants are accountable for the acts or omissions they commit in the performance of their duties.

The President of the Republic, during his term in office, may be impeached only for treason or serious common crimes.

*Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016*
*Amended by decree published on June 17, 2014*
*Amended by decree published on February 7, 2014*

Governors, representatives of the state Houses, magistrates of the state Supreme Courts, where applicable, members of the local Judicial Councils, members of the municipal council and city halls, and members of autonomous bodies created by the Local Constitution, as well as other local public servants shall be liable for infringements of this Constitution and federal laws, as well as for mishandling federal funds and resources.

*Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016*
*Amended by decree published on May 26, 2015*
The constitutions of the states shall specify, under the terms of the first paragraph of this article and for the purposes of their liabilities, as public servant every person that performs a job, position or assignment in the state government local councils, and territorial demarcations of Mexico City. Said public servants shall be accountable for mishandling public resources and the public debt.

(Added by decree published on May 27, 2015)\textsuperscript{13} Public servants referred to in this article will be required to present under oath their assets and interests declaration before the competent authorities and under the terms provided by the law.

(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)\textsuperscript{14}

**Article 109.** Public servants and particular individuals resulting accountable before the State shall be sanctioned according to the following:

I. The public servants mentioned in the Article 110 can be impeached and punished when while performing duties they commit acts or omissions that affect fundamental public interests or their defense.

Impeachment due to expression of ideas is not accepted.

II. Perpetration of crimes by any public servant or private individual that participate on incidents of corruption shall be prosecuted and punished according to the criminal law.

The laws shall determine the cases and circumstances when public servants shall be criminally penalized by illicit enrichment during the time of their duties or as a result of their duties, by themselves or by a third party, when they increase their estate, purchase goods or behave as owners of them, and the illegal precedence may not be justified. Criminal laws shall sanction with forfeiture and deprivation of property of said assets, in addition to other corresponding penalties;

III. Administrative penalties shall be imposed to the public servants who commit acts or omissions affecting their legality, honesty, loyalty, impartiality and efficiency while performing their jobs, duties or assignments. Said penalties will be warning, suspension, removal, and disqualification, as well as financial penalties that should be established according to the economic benefits that, as the case may be, the

\textsuperscript{13} Article Five of the Transitory articles from Decree published on the Official Gazette of the Federation on May 27, 2015 states that the addition of this paragraph to article 108 will come into full force on the same date as the laws referred to in the Second Transitory Article of said Decree.

\textsuperscript{14} Article Five of the Transitory articles from Decree published on the Official Gazette of the Federation on May 27, 2015 states that reform to article 109 will come into force on the same date as the laws referred to in the Second Transitory article of said Decree.
accountable party had received and the damage to property caused by the acts or omissions.

Administrative offenses will be investigated and processed by the Federal Auditing Office and internal control bodies or similar state entities, accordingly, and will be resolved by the competent Administrative-law Tribunal. Other administrative offenses will be heard and resolved by the internal control bodies.

Administrative liabilities by the members of the Federal Judicial Branch will be investigated, processed and sanctioned as provided by Article 94 of this Constitution without prejudice to the powers of the Federal Auditing Office on supervision matters about the management, custody and use of public resources.

The law shall establish the cases and procedures to challenge the classification of administrative offences as not severe by internal control bodies.

The law will provide the federal public entities the power to prevent, correct and investigate possible administrative offenses or omissions; to punish those outside the jurisdiction of the Federal Administrative-law Tribunal, to supervise income, outcome, management, custody and use of public federal resources and federal participations, as well as to file claims on criminal actions or omissions before the Specialized Unit of the Public Prosecutor’s office to Fight Corruption referred to herein.

The public state and local council entities, as well as the Federal District and its territorial demarcations will have internal control agencies with the local jurisdiction and power referred in to the previous paragraph, and

IV. Administrative-law tribunals will establish for particular individuals participating in acts related to severe administrative offenses, regardless of other types of liabilities, the economic penalties, disqualification to participate on purchasing, leasing, services or other public works; as well as compensation for damages caused to the Ministry of Treasure or to federal, state or local council entities. Legal entities will be sanctioned in terms of this fraction when the action related to severe administrative offenses had been performed by private individuals that act on behalf or representing the legal entity or for the benefit of the latter. Also, the suspension of activities, dissolution or supervision of the respective legal entity may be ordered for the legal entity in the case of severe administrative offenses causing damage to the Ministry of Treasure of other public federal, local or local council entities, when the legal entity obtains a financial benefit and the participation of its managerial, surveillance or its partners is proved, or in the cases when the legal entity is identified as being used systematically to be related to severe administrative offenses. In such cases, the penalty will be enforced until final resolution. The laws shall establish the proceedings for the investigation and imposition of penalties applicable to said acts or omissions.
Proceedings for the imposition of penalties mentioned in the above fractions shall take place autonomously. The same penalties may not be imposed twice for a single conduct.

Any citizen, under his or her most strict responsibility and by means of presentation of evidence, may be able to file a claim before the House of Representatives of the Congress of the Union regarding the behaviors referred in this Article.

The provisions to protect the secrecy of the fiscal information or that related to deposit operations, management and investment of monetary resources will not be enforced to those agencies that, while fulfilling their duties, are responsible for the investigation and penalty of administrative accountability and corruption acts.

The Federal Auditing Office and the Secretary of the Executive Branch accountable for the internal control may appeal the decisions of the Specialized Unit of the Prosecutor’s Office to Fight Corruption and the Federal Administrative-law Tribunal, in accordance with provisions in Articles 20, Section C, fraction VII and 104, fraction III of this Constitution, respectively.

Accountability of the Federal State on damages caused as a result of irregular administrative activities on private individuals’ goods and rights will be objective and direct. Private individuals will have the right to a compensation according to the bases, limits and proceedings established in the laws.

(First paragraph amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
(First paragraph amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)
(First paragraph amended by decree published on February 7, 2014)

**Article 110.** The following civil servants may be impeached: representatives of the Congress of the Union, ministers of the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation, councilors of the Federal Judicial Council, secretaries of state, the Attorney General of the Nation, the Attorney General of the Federal District, the circuit magistrates, district judges, the President Councilor, the electoral councilors, the Executive Secretary of the National Electoral Institute, Justices of the Electoral Court and general managers of the decentralized agencies, companies with majority state control, associations assimilated by companies with majority state control and public trusts.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
(Amended by decree published on February 7, 2014)

Governors, state representatives, magistrates of the state Superior Courts and the members of the state Judicial Councils, members of state Judicial Councils, as well as members of the agencies with the autonomy granted by State constitution, may be impeached as provided in this Title because of serious infringement of this Constitution and the federal laws derived from it, as well as mishandling federal funds and resources. However, the ruling shall be only declarative and shall be notified to the state legislature in order to implement the pertinent proceeding.
Penalties shall be removal from office and disqualification to perform any public function, job, position or assignment.

The procedure shall be as follows: The House of Representatives shall substantiate the case, shall hear the accused, the absolute majority of the members of the House shall declare the impeachment, the House of Representatives shall submit the impeachment to the Senate.

Then, the Senate shall carry out the necessary proceedings and shall hear the accused. The Senate then shall become jury and shall impose the appropriate penalty by the vote of the two-thirds of the members present.

Rulings pronounced by the House of Representatives and the Senate are irrefutable.

(First paragraph amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
(First paragraph amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)
(First paragraph amended by decree published on February 7, 2014)

**Article 111.** In order to indict the senators and representatives of the Congress of the Union, ministers of the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation, Justices of the Superior Chamber of the Electoral Court, councilors of the Federal Judicial Council, secretaries of state, the Attorney General of the Nation, as well as, the President Councilor and the electoral councilors of the General Council of the National Electoral Institutes for perpetration of crimes during their terms, the House of Representatives shall declare, by absolute majority, whether there are grounds to proceed against the accused.

A negative declaration by the House of Representatives shall suspend any further procedure. However, such a suspension shall not resolve the indictment in a definitive way. Once the accused finish his term in office, he can be put on criminal trial if the charges remain.

If the House of Representatives declares the indictment, the individual shall be turned over the respective authorities, which shall proceed according to the law.
The President of the Republic may be charged only before the Senate and according to the provisions established by the Article 110. The senate shall resolve the case observing the applicable criminal law.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
(Amended by decree published on February 7, 2014)

In order to indict governors, state representatives, magistrates of the state Superior Courts, the members of the state Judicial Councils for federal crimes, and the members of the agencies granted autonomy by the state constitutions, the procedure established in this article shall be followed. However, the ruling shall be only declarative and shall be notified to the state legislature in order to implement the pertinent proceedings.

Rulings pronounced by the House of Representatives and the Senate are irrefutable.

Penalties shall be removal from office while the accused is on trial. In the event of acquittal, the accused can resume duties. In the event of guilty verdict, pardon may not be granted to the accused, provided that the crime was perpetrated during his term.

Related to lawsuits on civil matter against any public servant, it is not necessary that the Congress declares the properness of the proceedings.

Prison sentences shall be applied according to that established in the criminal law. In the case of crimes where the perpetrator obtains economic benefit or cause damage or loss to property, prison sentence shall be proportional to the profit obtained by the accused and to the damages and losses caused by his unlawful conduct.

Economic penalties cannot exceed three times the amount of gains obtained or the damages or losses caused.

Article 112
It is not necessary that the House of Representatives declares the properness of the proceedings when any public servant, mentioned in the first paragraph of the Article 111, perpetrate a crime when he is not holding office.

However, if the public servant resumes duties or has been appointed or elected for a new position, which is mentioned in the Article 111, he shall be indicted according to such article.

(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015) 15

Article 113. The National Anti-Corruption System is the coordination instance between the authorities of all government levels competent on the prevention, detection and sanction of administrative accountability and corruption as, as well as auditing and control of public resources. The National Anti-Corruption System will be subjected to the following bases in order to comply with its objective:

I. The System will have a Coordination Committee that will consist of the heads of the Federal Auditing Office; of the Specialized Unit of the Prosecutor’s Office to Fight Corruption; of the secretary of the Executive Branch responsible for internal control; the president of the Federal Administrative-law Tribunal, of the president of the guarantor body established in article 6th of this Constitution; as well as a representative of the Council of the Federal Judiciary and other Citizens’ Participation Committee;

II. The Citizens’ Participation Committee of the System shall include five citizens who had made the most outstanding contribution to transparency, accountability or fight to corruption and who will be appointed under the terms established by the law, and

III. The Coordinator Committee of the System shall, under the terms provided by the Law:

a) Establish the coordination mechanism with local systems;

b) Design and promote comprehensive policies on auditing and control of public resources, prevention, control and deterrence of administrative offenses and corruption acts, especially on the cause generating them;

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15 Article Five of the Transitory articles from Decree published on the Official Gazette of the Federation on May 27, 2015, states that the amendment to article 113 will go into force on the same date as the laws referred to in the Transitory Two of said Decree.
c) Define the mechanisms for supply, exchange, systematization and update of information required on this matters by the competent institutions in the different government levels;

d) Establish the bases and principles for an effective coordination of the government authorities on auditing and control of public resources;

e) Annually report on the progress and results of its duties and the application of related policies and programs;

Issue non-binding recommendations for authorities, as a result of that report, with the purpose of embracing measures focused on institutional enhancement to prevent administrative offenses and corruption acts, as well as for a better performance of duties and internal control. Authorities receiving said recommendations will report the Committee about the attention paid to said recommendations.

The states shall establish the local anti-corruption systems with the purpose of coordinating the local relevant authorities in the prevention, detection and sanctioning of administrative accountabilities and corruption acts.

**Article 114**

Impeachment against a public servant can be initiated only during the period of time he is holding office and within the first year after such term. Punishments shall be applied within the first year after that proceedings have initiated.

Crimes perpetrated by a public servant during the period of time he is holding the office shall be punished according to the statutes of limitations provided by the criminal law. Such terms shall never be shorter than three years. Statute of limitations shall be interrupted while the public servant holds any of the offices listed in the Article 111.

*(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)*

The law shall establish the cases where the statute of limitations shall be applied to administrative liability, taking into account the nature and consequences of the acts or omissions mentioned in the Article 109, fraction III. Statute of limitations shall never be shorter than seven years for serious offenses or omissions.

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16 Article Five of the Transitory articles from Decree published on the Official Gazette of the Federation on May 27, 2015, states that the amendment to this paragraph from article 114 will go into force on the same date as the laws referred to in the Transitory Two of said Decree.
TITLE FIVE

(AMENDED BY DECREE PUBLISHED ON JANUARY 29, 2016)
Mexican States and Mexico City

(AMENDED [N.E. FIRST PARAGRAPH] BY DECREE PUBLISHED ON FEBRUARY 10, 2014)

Article 115. The Mexican states shall adopt a republican, representative, democratic, secular and popular form of government. The states shall be divided into municipalities, which shall be the basis of the political and administrative organization according to the following criteria:

I. Each municipality shall be governed by a City Council, which shall be composed of a mayor and the number of councilors and community representatives established by law, who shall be elected by direct vote. The City Council shall exercise the powers granted by this Constitution to the local governments. There is no intermediate authority between the City Council and the state government.

(AMENDED BY DECREE PUBLISHED ON FEBRUARY 10, 2014)

State Constitutions shall establish a consecutive election for the same office of Mayors, councilors and community representatives for an additional term, as long as the period of the mandate at the Municipal councils is not more than three years. The same party or any of the parties member of the coalition running may do the nomination, except when resigning or losing the militancy before half of their mandate.

State legislatures, by resolution of the two-thirds of their members, can suspend a City Council, eliminate it or suspend or revoke the powers of any of its members due to a serious cause mentioned by law, provided that the members of the City Council have had sufficient opportunity to submit evidence and provide arguments.

Substitutes shall be appointed to the vacant positions, unless otherwise ordered by law.

17 According to Transitory article fourteen of the amendment published on February 10, 2014, the amendment o article 115 of the CPEUM, reelection of mayors, council members, and municipal comptrollers will not be applicable to the members who had sworn office in the Municipal Council when said decree goes into force.
In the event that the state legislature eliminates a City Council, or in the event of resignation or absolute absence of the majority of its members, when the law does not allow the substitutes to finish the term nor to call elections, the state legislature shall appoint some inhabitants to make up a city board, which shall finish the term. The law shall establish the number of members for such city board. The members of the city board shall meet the same requirements than the councilors.

II. Municipalities shall be vested with legal status and shall manage their own assets in accordance with the law.

The state legislatures shall enact laws to empower City Councils to approve judicial edicts, government ordinances, regulations, notifications and administrative orders within their respective jurisdictions. The state legislatures shall empower the City Councils also to organize local government, to regulate public procedures, functions, affairs and services and to encourage citizen participation.

The purpose of such laws shall be to define:

a) The general basis of the local public administration and the administrative procedures, including legal remedies and the bodies that shall resolve the controversies that could arise between the local government and private individuals, observing the principles of equality before the law, open trial, hearing and legality.

b) The cases where the consent of the two-thirds of the City Council members is required to pronounce rulings affecting the City Council’s assets, or to make and execute agreements or acts for a period longer than the term of the City Council in question.

c) The norms to be applied to the agreements mentioned in the paragraphs III and IV of this article and in the second paragraph of the Article 116 of this Constitution.
d) The procedure to be followed by the state government in order to take charge of a local function or service because of the lack of a service provision agreement. In this case, it shall be necessary a previous request from the City Council in question, approved by at least the two-thirds of its members.

e) The provisions to be applied in those municipalities where there are not ordinances.

State legislatures shall establish the procedures to be followed in order to resolve conflicts that may arise between the City Councils and the state government, or between two or more City Councils, caused by the acts mentioned in the previous paragraphs “c” and “d”.

III. City Councils shall be in charge of the following functions and public services:

a) Drinking water, drainage, sewerage system, treatment and disposal of sewage.

b) Street lighting.

c) Garbage cleaning, collection, transport, treatment and final disposal.

d) Municipal markets and wholesale markets.

e) Cemeteries.

f) Slaughterhouse.

g) Streets, parks and gardens, as well as their equipment.
h) Public security, according to the provisions established by the Article 21 of this Constitution, as well as the local police.

i) Other affairs determined by the state legislature, depending on the territorial, social and economic conditions of the municipality and on the administrative and financial resources of the City Council.

The City Councils shall observe the federal and state laws, provided that they do not affect their functions or public service provision.

Two or more City Councils can coordinate their activities and collaborate to improve public services and their functions. For this purpose, the approval of the state legislature is necessary. When two or more City Councils belonging to different states want to collaborate, the approval of their respective state legislature is necessary. Likewise, a City Council and the respective state can make and execute agreements to authorize the state to temporarily take charge of one or some public services, directly or through the appropriate body. The City Council and the respective state can also agree to provide public services in a coordinated manner.

Indigenous communities belonging to the same municipality can also coordinate their activities and collaborate according to the law and for the purposes indicated thereof.

IV. City Councils shall freely manage their properties and assets, which shall be composed of the yields generated by their properties, as well as of the taxes and other revenues authorized by the state legislatures. City Council’s assets shall include:

a) Property tax and taxes on breaking up, division, consolidation, improvement and transfer of property, as well as any others that result from a change in the value of real estate.
City Councils can make and execute agreements with the state to authorize the state government to take charge of some functions regarding to management of local taxes.

b) Federal contributions authorized annually by the state legislature, specifying conditions, amounts and terms.

c) Revenue generated by provision of public services.

*(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)*
Federal laws shall not restrict the power of the state legislatures to fix the taxes and prices of the public services mentioned in the previous paragraphs a) and c). State laws shall not grant tax exemptions or allowances to the benefit of any person or institution. Only the properties belonging to the federal, state and local governments shall be exempt from taxes, provided that they are not used by semipublic or private entities for purposes different to those defined as public purpose.

City Councils shall submit to the state legislature their proposal for tolls, charges, rates, taxes and the table of property value, which serve as basis to fix the property tax.

*(Reformed through a decree published on August 24, 2009)*
State legislatures shall approve the revenue law for the City Councils, and shall review their public accounts. The expense budget shall be approved by the City Council, based on the available revenue. The expense budget shall include detail information about the salaries of the local public servants, according to that established in the Article 127 of this Constitution.

The resources constituting the municipal treasury shall be applied directly by the City Council or by whoever it authorizes, according to the law.
V. In accordance with the terms provided by the applicable federal and state laws, the City Councils shall have power to:

a) Plan, approve and manage urbanization and urban development.

b) Participate in the creation and administration of its own territorial reserves.

c) Participate in regional development planning. Federal and state governments shall invite City Councils to participate in regional development planning.

d) Authorize, control and supervise land use within their territory and jurisdiction.

e) Intervene in regularization of urban land tenure.

f) Grant construction permits.

g) Participate in creation and administration of nature reserves and in development and application of rules on this topic.

h) Intervene in development and implementation of public transportation programs, provided that such programs affect the City Council’s territory.

i) Make and execute agreements to manage and protect federal zones.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
The City Councils shall have power to issue administrative regulations and provisions necessary the purposes established in the third paragraph of the Article 27 of this Constitution. Federal real estate located in local councils will be exclusively under the jurisdiction of the federal branches without prejudice to agreements executed under the terms provided in section i) of this fraction;

VI. When two or more shanty towns located in two or more different municipalities or states tend to form one single urban settlement, then the federal, state and local governments involved shall collaborate to plan and regulate the development of such urban settlement, observing the applicable federal law.

(Reformed through a decree published on June 18, 2008)

VII. Local police shall be under the Mayor’s command, according to the terms established by the State Public Security Act. Local police shall obey the orders given by the Governor in case of force majeure or serious disturbances of public order.

The President of the Republic shall have command of public force in the place where he resides regularly or temporarily.

VIII. State laws shall introduce the principle of proportional representation in the election of the City Council members. Labor relations between the City Council and its employees shall be guided by the applicable state laws, in accordance with the Article 123 of this Constitution and its statutory provisions.

IX. Repealed.

X. Repealed.
Article 116

Public power of a state shall be divided into three branches: executive, legislative and judicial. Two or more of these powers cannot be united in one single person or corporation, nor shall the legislative branch be vested in one single person.

Public powers of a state shall be subjected to the state constitution, according to the following provisions:

I. Governors shall hold the office during a term of six years.

Governors and state representatives shall be elected by direct vote in accordance with that established in the applicable electoral law.

The incumbent governors cannot be elected for a second period, even as interim, provisional, substitute or secretary in a state department.

The following public servants may never be elected for the subsequent term:

a) The substitute of a governor or the person appointed to finish the term due to the absolute absence of the incumbent governor, even if the position has a different name.

b) The interim governor, the provisional governor or the person appointed to substitute the governor during temporary absences, which take place during the last two years of the governor’s term.

(Reformed through a decree published on September 26, 2008)

18 According to Transitory article thirteen of the amendment published on February 10, 2014, the amendment to article 116 of the CPEUM on the reelection of state representatives, as well as representatives to the Legislative Assembly of the Federal District, will not be applicable to legislators who had sworn under oath in the legislature when said decree goes into force.
To become governor, a person shall: a) be a Mexican citizen by birth, b) be a native of the respective state or live in such state for no less than five years immediately before the day of the election, and c) be at least 30 years old the day of the election. The state constitution can establish a younger age for the governor.

II. The quantity of representatives in the state congress shall be proportional to the number of inhabitants. The minimum quantity of representatives shall be seven, even if the state has a population of less than 400,000 inhabitants. The states with a population between 400,000 and 800,000 inhabitants, shall have nine representatives. The states having a population of more than 800,000 inhabitants shall have a minimum of 11 representatives.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)
State constitutions shall establish the consecutive election of representatives to state legislature up to four consecutive years. Nomination may be only by the party or any of the party members of the coalition that nominated him/her, except when resigning or losing militancy before the half of his/her mandate.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)
State representatives shall be elected according to the principle of majority voting and the principle of proportional representation, observing the conditions established by the state laws. In no case a political party may have a number of representatives by both principles representing the total of the legislature that exceeds eight points the percentage of the voting. This base will not apply to the political party that winning in single-member districts obtains the total percentage of seats of the legislature over the percentage of the votes casted plus eight percent. The percentage of representation of a political part in the integration of a legislature may not be lower to the voting percentage that had received at least eight percentage points.

(Added through a decree published on August 24, 2009)
The state legislature shall approve the annual expense budget. Salaries for the public servants shall be subjected to the provisions established in the Article 127 of this Constitution.

(Added through a decree published on August 24, 2009)
The state legislative, executive and judicial branches, as well as the autonomous entities recognized by the state constitution, shall include detailed information about salaries for their employees in their proposals for the expense budget. These proposals shall follow the procedures provided by the state constitution and the applicable state laws.

(Amended by decree published on May 27, 2015)
(Amended by decree published on May 26, 2015)

(This paragraph was moved from the fourth to the sixth position, through a decree published on August 24, 2009)

State legislatures shall have a state auditing office, which shall have autonomy regarding technical and managerial matters, as well as regarding its internal organization, functioning and decisions, according to the law. Auditing function shall be exercised according to the principles of legality, impartiality and reliability. The state auditing office shall also supervise the action of the states and local councils regarding funds, local resources and public debt. Audit reports from the state auditing offices shall be public.

(This paragraph was moved from the fifth to the seventh position, through a decree published on August 24, 2009)

The head of the state Auditing Office shall be appointed by the two-thirds of the members present in the House of Representatives of the state. The head of the state Auditing Office is appointed to serve for a period no less than seven years. He must have five years of experience in matters of control, financial auditing and liabilities.

(Added by decree published on May 27, 2015)
The previous year public account shall be sent to the state legislature before April 30. Only the state governor may request additional time for presentation of the account and the state legislature shall assess if it is sufficiently justified.

(Moved from the eight to the nine paragraph by decree published on May 27, 2015)

(Included by decree published on August 9, 2012)

The State Legislature will regulate the terms for the citizens to submit federal bills before the respective Congress.
III. State judicial power shall be exercised by the courts established by the state constitution.

Independence of magistrates and judges in the performance of their duties must be guaranteed by the state constitution and the state organic laws, which shall establish the requirements for admission, training and staying to be complied by the employees of the state judicial branch.

Local magistrates shall meet the requirements established in sections I to V of the Article 95 of this Constitution. Persons that have held the office of Secretary or equivalent in a state department, of the state Attorney General or state representative during the year immediate previous to the day of appointment, may not be magistrates.

Magistrates and judges shall preferably be persons who have served efficiently and honestly in the judiciary, or who deserve the position because of their honorability, abilities and judicial career.

Magistrates shall hold the office during the period of time specified in the local constitution, they may be reelected, they may be removed from office only according to the state constitution and to the Public Service Accountability Act of the state.

Magistrates and judges shall receive an adequate remuneration, which is non-negotiable and may not be reduced.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

(Reformed through a decree published on November 13, 2007)

IV. According to the bases established in this Constitution and the general laws on the matter, State constitutions and state electoral laws shall guarantee that:

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

a) Elections of governors, members of the state legislatures and members of the City Councils are carried out through the universal, free, secret and direct vote, and
that the elections take place the first Sunday of July of the respective year. This provision shall not be applicable to the states where elections take place the same year than federal elections, but not the same day.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)
b) The principles of certainty, impartiality, independence, legality, highest publicity and objectivity govern the work of the electoral authorities;

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)
c) The authorities in charge of organizing elections and the authorities that resolve electoral disputes are autonomous in the exercise of their functions and are independent while making decisions according to the provisions of the laws and as follows:

1st. State electoral bodies will have an upper management body with a President and six electoral councilors with the right to voice and vote; The Executive Secretary and the representatives of the political parties will attend the sessions only with the right to voice; each political party will have one representative in said body.

2nd. The President and the electoral counselors will be appointed by the General Council of the National Electoral Institute under the terms provided by the law. The state electoral counselors shall be from the corresponding state or have a five years effective residence before appointed and meeting the requirements and profile proving suitability for the position established by the law. In case of a vacancy of a state electoral counselor, the General Counselor of the National Electoral Institute will appoint the corresponding counselor under the terms of this article and the law. If the vacancy takes place within the first four years of office, an alternate shall be elected to complete the period. If the vacancy occurred within the last three years a new counselor shall be elected for the new period.

3rd. State electoral counselors will have a seven years position and may not be reelected. They will receive a salary according to their duties and may be removed by the General Council of the National Electoral Institute based on serious grounds established by the law.

4th. State electoral counselors and other public servants provided by the law may not hold another job, position or assignment, except for those unpaid on teaching, scientific, cultural, research or charity activities. They cannot take a public office at the bodies resulting from the election where they participated in the organization and development. They cannot be nominated to a popular election office or take a leading party position for two years after their term in office.

5th. Electoral court authorities will have an uneven number of justices who will be elected by two thirds of the members present at the Senate, previous public call, under the terms provided by the law.
6th. State electoral bodies will have certified public servants for electoral acts whose power and operation will be governed by the law.

7th. Challenges against acts by the National Electoral Institute, according to base V, article 41 of this Constitution, on state electoral processes will be resolved by the Electoral Court of the Federal Judicial Branch as provided by the law.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

d) The administrative electoral authority has the power to make and execute an agreement with the National Electoral Institute, so that this entity organizes local elections;

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

e) Political parties are composed only of citizens, without intervention of labor-unions or other organizations, and that political parties are not affiliated to a corporation. State constitutions and state electoral laws shall also guarantee that the political parties have the right to register candidates to popular election offices, except by that established in the Article 2, section A, fractions III and VII, of this Constitution.

f) Electoral authorities shall intervene in the internal affairs of the parties only according to the provisions established by the electoral laws.

(Added by decree published on February 10, 2014)

Register of the local political party that does not obtain at least three percent of the total valid votes casted in any of the elections held for renewal of the state government or legislature will be cancelled. This provision shall not be applicable for national political parties that participate at local elections;

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

g) Political parties receive public funding, in a fair manner, for their permanent ordinary activities and electoral activities. State constitutions and state electoral laws shall also establish procedures to settle political parties that lose registration and shall decide over their properties and balances.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

h) State constitutions and state electoral laws shall define restrictions to the expenditures made by the political parties during run-up and campaigns, as well as to the contributions made by militants and sympathizers;
i) The political parties have access to airtime in radio and television, according to the rules established in the Article 41, section III, paragraph B, of this Constitution.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

j) State constitutions and state electoral laws shall regulate political parties’ run-up and electoral campaigns and shall establish the appropriate penalties to offenders. Campaigns for governors shall last no longer than 90 days, campaigns for state representatives and members of the City Council shall last no longer than 60 days. Run-up shall last no longer than two-thirds of the campaign term.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

k) The nomination, registration, rights and obligation of independent candidates shall be regulated guaranteeing their right to public financing and access to radio and television airtime under the terms provided in this Constitution and the corresponding laws;

l) A system of legal remedies is established in order to guarantee legality of the electoral acts and rulings. State constitutions and state electoral laws shall establish conditions and rules to partially or totally recount votes.

m) The causes to annul elections for governors, for state representatives and for members of the City Councils are specified. State constitutions and state electoral laws shall also indicate the terms to file legal remedies and appeals, taking into account the principle of definitivity in setting the stages of electoral processes.

(Added by decree published on February 10, 2014)

n) One state election at least shall take place on the same date as any of the federal elections;

(Moved by decree published on February 10, 2014)

o) Crimes are classified and omissions are determined in electoral matters, as well as the sanctions that may be imposed for these.

(Moved by decree published on February 10, 2014)

(Amended by decree published on December 27, 2013)

p) Bases and requirements shall be set for citizens to request registration during elections as candidates to be voted in an independent form to all popular election offices under the terms provided in article 35 of this Constitution.
V. The constitutions and state laws may institute administrative-law courts, giving them full autonomy in making their rulings and establishing organization, operation and procedures and, as the case may be, procedures against their rulings. The courts will be responsible for settling the controversies that arise between the state government and private parties, also to impose sanctions to state and local council public servants on serious administrative offenses and to particular individuals involved in acts related to serious administrative offenses, as well as assign the offenders the compensation payment and financial sanctions resulting from damages impacting the state or local council treasury or the estate of the local or municipal council public entities.

For the investigation, processing and sanction of administrative accountability of the members of the State Judicial Branch, the respective Constitutions shall apply without prejudice to the powers of the auditing entities about management, custody and use of public resources;

VI. Labor relations between the state government and its employees shall be regulated by the laws enacted by the state legislature, based on the Article 123 of this Constitution and on its statutory regulations.

VII. Federal government and state governments can agree transfer among them of some functions, provision of public services or implementation of works, whenever it is necessary for the economic and social development of the country.

State government and City Councils can make and execute agreements to provide public services or perform functions mentioned in the previous paragraph.

(Added by decree published on February 7, 2014)

VIII. State constitutions shall establish autonomous, specialized, impartial and collegiate bodies responsible for guaranteeing the right of access to information and personal data protection in possession of the legally bound reporting parties, according to the principles and bases established in article 6 of this Constitution and the General law enacted by the Congress of the Union to set the bases, general principles and proceedings for the exercise of said right.

(Added by decree published on February 7, 2014)

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19 Transitory article Five of the Decree published on the Official Gazette of the Federation on May 27, 2015, provides that this fraction of article 116 shall become effective on the same date as the laws referred to in the Second transitory article of said Decree.
IX. States constitutions shall guarantee law enforcement based on principles of autonomy, efficacy, impartiality, legality, objectivity, professionalism, responsibility and respect of human rights.

Article 117

In no case shall the states:

I. Conclude alliances or coalitions, or make treaties with any other state or foreign government.

II. Repealed

III. Mint money or issue money, stamps or stamped paper.

IV. Levy a road tax on the persons or goods that pass through their territory.

V. Impede, directly or indirectly, the entrance or exit of domestic or foreign merchandises, or levy a tax on them.

VI. Levy a tax on circulation and consumption of domestic and foreign products when taxes or fees are collected by the local customs, or the packages are subject to inspection or registration, or require it to be accompanied by documents.

VII. Enact or keep in force fiscal laws or provisions that establish differences between the taxes and requirements for domestic products and those stated for foreign products, either such differences are established in respect to similar local products or between similar products of different origin.
VIII. To make and execute, directly or indirectly, bonds or loan agreements with foreign governments, foreign associations or foreign private parties, or when such bonds or loans are to be paid with foreign currency or outside the country.

(Amended by decree published on May 26, 2015)

States and local councils may not make and execute bonds or loan agreements only when such resources are to be allocated to productive public projects and to refinancing and restructuring, which shall be under the best conditions in the market, event those executed by decentralized bodies, public companies and trusts and, in the case of the States, to allocate guarantees regarding the debt of local councils. The latter according to the bases established by legislatures in the corresponding law, within provisions in this Constitution and items and amounts approved by the latter. Executives in charge shall inform about the use of these resources while submitting their public account. Debenture loans in no case may be allocated to cover the current expenditure.

(Added by decree published on May 26, 2015)

Local legislatures, with the vote of two thirds of their members present, shall authorize the maximum amounts to, in the best conditions in the market, hire said debenture loans and liabilities with a previous analysis of their destination, payment capacity and, as the case may be, granting the guarantee or establishing the source of payment.

(Added by decree published on May 26, 2015)

Without prejudice to the above, the States and local Councils may execute liabilities to cover their short-term needs, without exceeding the highest and conditions established by the general law enacted by the Congress of the Union. Short-term liabilities shall be settled in three months before the end of the term of the corresponding government, and during the last three months liabilities may not be acquired.

IX. Levy a different tax on production, store or sale of leaf snuff than the tax authorized by the Congress of the Union.
The Congress of the Union and the state legislatures shall enact laws to fight alcoholism.

**Article 118**

Without the Congress of the Union’s consent, the states cannot:

I. Establish tonnage duties or any other port duties, or levy a tax on importing or exports.

II. Have permanent troops or warships.

III. Declare war against foreign nation, except for cases of invasion or imminent danger. In such case, the state shall notify immediately the President of the Republic.

(The first paragraph was amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

**Article 119.** The Powers of the Union have the duty to protect the states against foreign invasion or violence. In the event of uprising or internal social unrest, the Powers of the Union must protect the state, as long as they are called by the state legislature, or by the governor if legislature is not in session.

(Amended by decree published on February 10, 2014)

Each state and the Federal District are obliged to deliver, without delay, those accused or sentenced persons required by another state, as well as to carry out confiscation and delivery of objects and instruments used in perpetration of the crime and the benefits thereof. These obligations will be complied through the respective Ministries of Justice, observing the conditions established in the collaboration agreements made by the states. For this purpose, the state authorities can make and execute collaboration agreements with the Attorney General’s Office.
Calls for extradition, made by a foreign State, shall be processed by the President of the
Republic, with the intervention of the judicial authority in accord with the provisions stated
in this Constitution, in the applicable international treaties and in the statutory laws. In
those cases, the writ of the judge, ordering to comply with the call for extradition, shall be
equal to cause the person requested to be detained for up to 60 calendar days.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
Article 120. Governors are obliged to publish and uphold federal laws.

(The first paragraph was amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
Article 121. Each state of the Federation shall give full faith and credit to the public
acts, registrations and judicial proceedings made by the other states. The
Congress of the Union, through general laws, shall establish the way for proving
such acts, registrations and judicial proceedings and their impact, in accord with
the following bases:

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
I. The laws of a state only have effect inside its territory, as a consequence, they
have no effect outside thereof.

II. Personal property and real estate shall be subject to the local law applicable to the place
where they are located.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
III. Sentences passed by a court of a state about property rights on properties
located in another state, may only be enforced in the other state when its own laws
so provide it.

Sentences about personal rights may only be enforced in other state when the
person judged has, expressly or by reason of residence, submitted himself to the
jurisdiction of the courts that pronounced such sentences, provided that the person
has been summoned to appear in the trial.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
IV. Acts pertaining to marital status, carried out according to the laws of a state,
shall be valid in the other states.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
V. University degrees issued by a state government, in accord with its laws, shall
be valid in the other states.
(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

**Article 122.** Mexico City is an autonomous State regarding its internal government and political and administrative organization.

A. Mexico City’s government is in charge of its local branches under the terms established in the Political Constitution of Mexico City, which will adjust to the provisions in this Constitution and the following bases:

I. Mexico City will adopt a republican, representative, democratic and secular form of internal government. The local authorities of Mexico City will be divided into the Legislative, Executive and Judiciary. Two or more of this branches may not be gathered into a single entity or corporation or be entrusted in the legislative as a single individual.

Mexico City’s Political Constitution will set the rules and guarantees to enjoy and protect human rights within its jurisdiction according to article 1 of this Constitution.

II. The exercise of the Legislative Branch is entrusted in Mexico City’s legislative branch, which shall be formed according the provisions established in the local Constitution. The members of Mexico City's Assembly shall meet the requirements established by the latter and will be elected by universal, free, secret and direct vote, under the terms of relative majority and proportional representation for a three-years period.

In no case, a political party may have a number of representatives by both principles representing a percentage of the total of the Assembly, exceeding in eight points to the total percentage of votes casted. This base will not apply to the political party that, for the victories in the single member districts, receives a percentage of seats from the total of the Assembly, higher to the total percentage of the total ballot issued plus the eight percent. For the integration of the Assembly the representation percentage of a political party cannot be lower to the percentage of the ballot issued minus the eight percent.

The Mexican Political Constitution shall establish that the representatives to the Assembly may be elected up to four consecutive periods. The same party or any of the parties member of the coalition may nominate the representative, except when resigning or losing militancy before the second half of their mandate.

The State Political Constitution shall establish the regulation to guarantee access of all parliamentary groups to the bodies of the local Congress government and, to those with larger representation, to the Presidency of the body.

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20 According to the third transitory article of the amendment decree published on January 29, 2016, provisions in the third paragraph, Base II, Section A, article 122 of the Constitution herein, will not be applicable to representatives members of Mexico City's VII Legislative Assembly.
The Assembly is responsible for approving additions and amendments to the Political Constitution of Mexico City and exercise the privileges established therein. Two thirds of the representatives present shall need to approve said additions or amendments to become part of Mexico City’s Constitution.

Mexico City’s Assembly is responsible for reviewing the previous year public account through the supervising entity, which shall be a body with technical and managerial autonomy on the exercise of its powers, and to decide over its internal organization, operation and resolutions under the terms provided by the Law. The auditing function shall be developed according to the principles of legality, impartiality and reliability.

The previous year public account shall be sent to the Assembly before April 30 next year. This period would only be extended by request of Mexico City’s Government with sufficient grounds to the judgment of the Assembly.

Audit reports by Mexico City’s auditing entity shall be made public.

The head of Mexico city’s auditing entity will be elected by two thirds of the members present in the Assembly for up to seven years. The head of Mexico City’s auditing entity shall have a five-years-experience on control, auditing, finances and accountability matters.

III. The head of Mexico City’s Executive Branch will be called Mexico City’s Governor and will be in charge of the public administration of that State. Mexico City’s Governor will be elected by universal, free, secret and direct vote and will be in office for six years only. Anyone who had being appointed or elected to take office as Mexico City’s Governor in no case an under no circumstances may take that office again as interim, temporary, substitute or in charge of the office.

Mexico City’s Political Constitution will establish the powers of the Governor and the requirements to run for such office.

IV.21 The exercise of the Judiciary Branch is entrusted in the High Court of Justice, the Judiciary Council and judges and courts established by Mexico City’s Political Constitution, which shall guarantee the independence of justices and judges while performing their duties. Local laws shall establish the conditions for the integration, education, continuance and specialization of those who wish to become part of the Judiciary.

Justices members of the Superior Court of Justice of Mexico City shall meet the minimum requirements provided in fractions I to V, article 95 of this Constitution. Persons who have taken office as Secretary of Mexico City’s Government or the

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21 According to the fourth transitory article of the amendment decree published on January 29, 2016, provisions in subparagraph b), third paragraph, Base VI, Section A, article 122 of the CPEUM, will not be applicable to the heads of the political-administrative agencies of the Federal District territorial demarcations elected in 2015 and may not run for the Mayor’s office in the 2018 election.
equivalent or as Attorney General or as member of the local Legislative Branch a year before the appointment day may not be Justices.

Justices will remain in office for the period established by Mexico City’s Political Constitution. They may be reelected and, otherwise, if removed from office under the terms established by this Constitution, as well as the Constitution and laws of Mexico City. Justices and judges will receive a proper and inalienable salary, which may not be reduced while in office.

V. Mexico City’s Public Administration will be centralized and controlled by the state. Mexico City’s public treasury and administration will be unitary including the salary and income rates of public servants. The Centralized Public Administration estate will also be unitary.

Mexico City’s public treasury will be organized according to the budgetary and financial unit criteria.

The Legislature is responsible for approving the corresponding annual expenditure budget. Public servants’ wages shall be subject to the bases provided in Article 127 of this Constitution.

The Legislative, Executive and Judicial branches, as well as constitutionally autonomous bodies shall include within the expenditure projects the proposed public servants’ salary rates on detail. These proposals shall follow the approval procedures for expenditures established by Mexico City’s Political Constitution and the local laws.

The Federal Law shall not limit Mexico City’s faculty to establish contributions about real state, subdivision, division, consolidation, transfer and improvement, as well as those based on the change of value of the real state and those resulting from the provision of public service they are accountable for, and there will not be tax exemption for them. Mexico City’s laws shall not establish tax exemption or subsidy in favor of a person or institution regarding said contributions. Only Federal public goods, state and local councils good will be exempt, except when such goods are used by state controlled entities or particular individuals, under any title, for other purposes but public.

Mexico City’s Governor shall propose the local Legislative branch the fees and rates applicable to taxes, rights, improvements, and unit value rates for land and constructions, which serve as the base to collect contributions about real property.

VI. Mexico City’s territorial division for the purpose of its administrative political organization, as well as the number, name and borders of its territorial demarcations will be defined as provided by the local Political Constitution.

The Government of Mexico City’s territorial demarcation will be responsibility of the Mayor’s Offices. The Legislature will approve the Mayor’s Offices budget according
to the income projections of Mexico City’s public treasure. They will use the budget autonomously in the cases and under the terms established by the local Political Constitution.

The local laws and Political Constitution shall establish the integration, administrative organization and powers of the Mayor’s offices according to the following principles:

a) Mayor’s offices are administrative political bodies which are composed by a Mayor and a Council, elected by universal, free, secret and direct vote for a three-years period. The members of the Mayor’s office will be elected from seven to ten candidates of party-lists, as applicable, gradually ordered starting by the candidate running for the Mayor’s Office and then Counselors and the respective alternates, in the specific number for each territorial demarcation provided by Mexico City’s Political Constitution. Under no circumstances the number of Counselors may be less than ten or more than fifteen. The members of the Council will be elected under the relative majority and proportional representation principles, on sixty percent and forty percent respectively. No political party or electoral coalition may have more than sixty percent of counselors.

b) Mexico City’s Political Constitution shall establish the consecutive election for the same Mayor and Counselors office for an additional period. Only the same party or any of the parties members of the coalition that had already nominated may nominate, except when resigning or losing militancy before half of their mandate.

c) Mayors are responsible for the public administration of the territorial demarcations.

Mexico City’s Political Constitution shall establish the competence of the Mayor’s Offices within their respective jurisdictions.

The Councils of the Mayor’s Offices shall approve their demarcations’ project of the expenditure budget, subject to the revenue projection of Mexico City’s treasury, and will send it to the Local Executive to include it in the Mexico City’s draft budget and send it to the Legislature. Likewise, Councils will be authorized to supervise and evaluate government actions and to control the exercise of public spending in the respective territorial demarcation.

When approving the expenditure budget proposal, the Councils of the Mayor’s Offices shall guarantee the operating cost of the territorial demarcation and adjust the current expenditure to the standards and maximum amounts, as well as the detailed rates of public servants salaries previously established by the Legislature, following the provision of Article 127 of this Constitution.

d) Mexico City’s Political Constitution shall establish the bases for the law to consider the criteria or formulas to allocate the budget of territorial demarcations,
which shall be at least, from the amounts that according to the law correspond to federal participations, local taxes collected by Mexico City’s treasury and incomes from the provision of services.

e) Under no circumstances the territorial demarcations may directly or indirectly acquire liabilities or debenture loans.

f) Mayors and Counselors shall meet the requirements established by Mexico City’s Political Constitution.

VII. Mexico City will have the autonomous constitutional bodies considered by this Constitution for the States.

VIII. Mexico City’s Political Constitution will set the rules for the organization and operation, as well as powers of the Administrative-law Tribunal, providing full autonomy to pronounce rulings and establishing operations, procedures and, where applicable, recourses against resolutions.

The Tribunal will be responsible for resolving disputes between the local Public Administration and particular individuals, for establishing, under the terms provided by the law, sanctions to public servants for serious administrative liability and particular individuals who commit acts related to serious administrative offenses; as well as for establishing for the responsible parties, compensations and financial penalties that result from damages that impact Mexico City’s treasure or the state of its public entities.

The law shall establish the rules to guarantee transparency on the process to appoint justices.

The investigation, proceedings and penalty of administrative liabilities by members of the High Court of Justice will correspond to the local Judiciary Council, without prejudice to the powers of the supervising entity about the management, custody or use of public resources.

IX. Mexico City’s Constitution and laws shall adjust to the electoral regulation established in Article 116, fraction IV of this Constitution and the corresponding general laws.

X. The local Political Constitution shall guarantee that Mexico City’s law enforcement is based on the principles of autonomy, efficiency, impartiality, legality, objectivity, professionalism, responsibility and respect to human rights.
XI. Labor relations between Mexico City and its employees will be governed by the law issued by the local Legislature, as provided in Article 123 of this Constitution and its regulating laws.  

B. Federal branches, regarding Mexico City, shall only have the powers granted expressly by this Constitution.

Mexico City’s government, given its role of Capital City of the Mexican United States and seat of the Branches of the Union, shall guarantee at all times and under the terms of this article, the conditions necessary for the exercise of the constitutional powers of the federal branches.

The Congress of the Union shall enact laws that establish the bases for the coordination between the federal branches and the local branches of Mexico City, in virtue of its role as Capital City of the Mexican United States, which shall have the necessary provisions that ensure the conditions for the exercise of powers that this Constitution grants to the Branches of the Union.

When deciding on the Expenditure Budget of the Federation, the House of Representatives shall analyze and determine the resources required to support Mexico City on its role as Capital City of the Mexican United States, as well as the bases for use.

Mexico City’s Governor shall be the director of the public security institutions of the state under the terms established by Mexico City’s Political Constitution and the local laws. Mexico City’s Governor shall freely appoint and remove the public servant in charge of the direct command of the public force.

Provisions in the second paragraph of fraction VII of Article 115 of this Constitution will be applicable in Mexico City regarding the President of the Mexican United States. The President of the Republic may remove the public servant in charge of the direct command of the public force referred to in the previous paragraph, on severe grounds determined by the law enacted by the Congress of the Union under the terms of this Base.

The Real State of the Federation located in Mexico City will be under the exclusive jurisdiction of the federal branches.

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22 According to transitory article six of the amendment decree published on January 20, 2016, amendments to the first paragraph of Article 123, Section B and Base XI, Section A, Article 122, regarding the legal arrangement of labor relations between Mexico City and its employees will go into force on January 1, 2020.

According to transitory article ten of the amendment decree published on January 29, 2016, the Congress of the Union, when enacting laws referred to in the third paragraph of Section B and the first paragraph of Section C of article 122 of the CPEUM, shall consider that they go into force on the date in which Mexico City’s Political Constitution goes into force.
C. The Federation, Mexico City, as well as its territorial demarcations and States and local Councils surrounding the Metropolitan area, will establish the administrative coordination mechanisms on development planning and execution of regional action for public service provision under the terms of the law enacted by the Congress of the Union.24

For an efficient coordination referred to in the above paragraph, said law shall set the bases for the organization and operation of the Metropolitan Development Council, which will be responsible for agreeing on the actions of human settlements; environmental protection; preservation and restoration of the ecological balance; transportation; transit; safe drinking water and drainage; collection, treatment and disposal of solid waste and public security.

The law enacted by the Congress of the Union shall establish the way in which the Metropolitan Development Council will ascertain, which include:

a) Territorial limits and coordination actions for the operation and function of metropolitan public works and services;

b) Commitments taken by every party for the allocation of resources to metropolitan projects; and.

c) The joint and coordinated projection of the development of surrounding areas and provision of public services.

D. Prohibitions and limitations established by this Constitution for the States shall also apply to Mexico City.

**TITLE SIX**

**Labor and social security**

**Article 123**

Every person has the right to have a decent and socially useful job. Therefore, job creation and social organization of work shall be encouraged according to the law.

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24 According to transitory article ten of the amendment decree published on January 29, 2016, the Congress of the Union, while issuing the laws referred to in the third paragraph of Section B and the first paragraph of Section C of article 122 of the CPEUM, shall prevent that they enter into force on the same date as Mexico City’s Political Constitution.
The Congress of the Union, without contravening the following basic principles, shall formulate labor laws which shall apply to:

A. Workers, day laborers, domestic servants, artisans and, in a general way, to all labor contracts:

I. The maximum duration of the working day shall be eight hours.

II. The maximum duration of night work shall be seven hours. The following jobs are prohibited for persons under sixteen years: unhealthful or dangerous work, industrial night work and any work after ten o’clock at night.

(Amended by decree published on June 17, 2014)

III. The use of labor of minors under fourteen years of age is prohibited. Persons above that age and less than sixteen shall have a maximum working day of six hours.

IV. For every six days of work a worker must have at least one day of rest.

V. During pregnancy, women shall not perform such work that requires excessive physical effort and could be dangerous regarding pregnancy. Women have the right to enjoy a disability leave due to childbirth, which shall cover six weeks previous to the birth and six weeks thereafter. During such disability leave, women shall receive their full wages and retain their employment and the rights acquired under their labor contract. During the nursing period, they shall have two special rest periods per day, consisting of half hour each one, to feed their babies.

(The first paragraph was amended by decree published on January 27, 2016)

VI. The minimum wage shall be established in a general way or according to the occupation. General minimum wage shall govern over the different economic zones. Professional wages shall apply on specific industries, professions, trades or special works. The minimum wage shall not be used as index, unit, base, measure or reference for purposes foreign to its nature.

The general minimum wage must be sufficient to satisfy the normal material, social, and cultural needs of a family, and to provide the compulsory education of children. The professional minimum wage shall be fixed by taking into account, in addition, the conditions of the different industrial and commercial activities.

Minimum wages shall be fixed by a national commission composed of representatives of the workers, employers, and the Government. This national commission may be assisted by those special advisory committees it should consider necessary for a better performance of its duties.

VII. Equal wages shall be paid for equal work, regardless of sex or nationality.
VIII. The minimum wage shall be exempt from attachment, compensation, or deduction.

IX. Workers are entitled to participate in profit sharing, which shall be regulated in conformity with the following rules:

a) A national commission, composed of representatives of workers, employers, and the Government, shall fix the percentage of profits to be distributed among workers.

b) The national commission shall research and study the general conditions of the national economy. It shall also take into consideration the need to promote the industrial development of the country, the reasonable interest that should be obtained by capital, and the necessary reinvestment of capital.

c) The national commission may revise the percentage fixed under paragraph “a” of this section, whenever new studies and research so justify.

d) The law may exempt newly established enterprises from the obligation of sharing profits for a specified and limited number of years, as well as the exploration works and other activities so justified by their nature or peculiar conditions.

e) In order to determine the amount of the profits of each enterprise, the basis to be taken is the taxable income according to the provisions of the Income Tax Law. Workers may submit to the appropriate office of the Department of the Treasury their objections, in accordance with the procedure indicated in the law.

f) The workers’ right to participate in profit sharing does not imply the power to intervene in the management or administration of the company.

X. Wage must necessarily be paid in legal tender and cannot be paid in goods, coupons, tokens or any other instrument intended to substitute the money.

XI. When, due to extraordinary circumstances, working hours must be extended, the salary to be paid for overtime shall be 100% more than the amount fixed for regular hours. Overtime work may never exceed three hours a day nor three times consecutively. Persons under sixteen years of age may not perform overtime.

XII. All farming, industrial, or mining enterprise or any other kind of business, employers are obliged to provide to workers comfortable and hygienic housing. This obligation shall be discharged through contributions made by the companies to a national housing fund, which shall provide the workers with inexpensive loans, sufficient to acquire a house.

The law shall create a body composed of representatives of the Federal Government, of the workers and of the employers. Such body shall manage the resources of the national housing fund.
The law shall establish the procedures to be followed by the workers in order to get a loan to acquire a house.

The companies located outside the villages are obliged to establish schools, medical services and other services necessary in the community. In addition, in these work centers, when the population of the community exceeds 200 inhabitants, a tract of land of not less than five thousand square meters must be set aside for the establishment of public markets, municipal services and recreation centers.

Establishments for the sale of intoxicating liquors and casinos are prohibited in all work centers.

XIII. The companies are obliged to provide their workers with training for the job. The statutory law shall establish the systems, methods and procedures through which employers will meet this liability.

XIV. Employers shall be responsible for labor accidents and for occupational diseases of workers. Therefore, employers shall pay the appropriate compensation, depending on the consequences of the accident or disease: death or only temporary or permanent incapacity to work, in accordance with the law. This liability shall survive even when the employer contracts the work through an intermediary.

XV. The employer shall observe the legal regulations on hygiene and health that are applicable to his establishment, and to adopt adequate measures for the prevention of accidents in the use of machines, instruments and materials. The employer must organize the work in such a way to protect the health and safety of workers and of unborn children, in the case of pregnant women. The law shall define the penalties applicable to offenders.

XVI. Both, employers and workers shall have the right to join together for the defense of their respective interests, by forming unions, professional associations, etc.

XVII. The laws shall recognize strikes and lockouts as rights of workers and employers.

XVIII. Strikes shall be legal when their purpose is to attain equilibrium between the several factors of production, harmonizing labor rights and the possibilities of the capital. In the case of public services, the workers must notify, at least ten days in advance, the Commission for Conciliation and Arbitration about the date agreed for the suspension of work. Strikes shall be considered as illegal only when the majority of strikers carries out violent acts against persons or property, or in the event of war, when the workers belong to governmental establishments or services.

XIX. Lockouts shall be legal only when an excess of production makes it necessary in order to maintain prices at a reasonable level, with prior approval of the Commission for Conciliation and Arbitration.
XX. Differences or disputes between employers and workers shall be subject to the decisions of the Commission for Conciliation and Arbitration, which shall consist of an equal number of workers and employers, and one government representative.

XXI. If an employer refuses to submit the conflict to the Commission for Conciliation and Arbitration or to accept the decision thereof, the work contract shall be terminated and the employer shall give to the worker a compensation equal to three months of salary, plus the liabilities originated by the conflict. This provision shall not be applicable in the case of actions covered in the following section. If the workers refuse to submit the conflict to the Commission for Conciliation and Arbitration, the work contract shall be terminated.

XXII. If an employer fires a worker without just cause or because he has joined an association or union, or for having taken part in a lawful strike, then the employer is obliged to fulfill the work contract or to indemnify the worker with a quantity equal to three months of salary, whatever the worker chooses. The law shall specify those cases in which the employer may be exempted from the obligation of paying an indemnity. The employer is also obliged to pay a three months of salary compensation to the worker if the worker leaves his employment due to the employer’s lack of honesty or because the employer mistreats the worker or worker’s wife, parents, children, brothers or sisters. The employer cannot be exempted from this liability when the mistreatment is inflicted by his subordinates or members of his family acting with his consent or tolerance.

XXIII. Credits in favor of workers for wages earned within the last year, and for compensations, shall have priority over all other obligations in the event of receivership or bankruptcy.

XXIV. Only the worker shall be responsible for debts acquired by himself and payable to his employer or to his employer’s associates, relatives or dependents. In no case may payment be exacted from the members of the worker's family, nor are these debts demandable for an amount exceeding one-month salary.

XXV. Employment services shall be free for workers, whether such service is performed by a municipal office, an employment agency or any other public or private institution.

When providing employment services, labor demand must be taken into account. In equal conditions, the persons who are the only income source for their family shall have preference.

XXVI. Every work contract made between a Mexican and a foreign employer must be authenticated by the responsible municipal authority and countersigned by the consul of the country to which the worker intends to go. Such work contract shall include a clause clearly specifying that the employer will bear the costs of repatriation.

XXVII. The following conditions or clauses shall be considered null and void and not binding on the contracting parties, even if expressed in the contract:
a) Those that fix an inhuman working day.

b) Those that fix wages that are not remunerative, according to the criteria of the Commission for Conciliation and Arbitration.

c) Those providing a period longer than one week for the payment of a daily wage.

d) Those indicating as the place of payment of wages a recreation center, cheap restaurant, coffee shop, tavern, bar, or store, except for the employees of such establishments;

e) Those indicating the direct or indirect obligation of acquiring basic products in specific stores or places.

f) Those that allow the retention of wages as a fine.

g) Those that constitute a waiver by the worker of indemnification to which he is entitled due to labor accidents, occupational diseases, damages caused by breach of contract or dismissal.

h) Any other provision that imply waiver of any right granted to workers by the laws.

XXVIII. The laws shall determine what property constitutes the family patrimony. Such property shall be inalienable, not subject to taxes or attachment, and shall be transferrable as inheritance, simplifying the formalities thereof.

XXIX. Social Security Act is enacted for social welfare. This act shall include disability benefit, retirement pension, life insurance, unemployment benefit, health services, nursery services, and other services intended to guarantee wellbeing of workers, farm workers and other kind of employees.

XXX. Cooperatives established for the construction of inexpensive and hygienic houses to be purchased on installments by workers, shall be considered of social utility.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
XXXI. Enforcement of the labor laws belongs to the authorities of the states, within their respective jurisdictions. However, it is the exclusive jurisdiction of the federal authorities in matters relating to:

a) Industrial sector and services:

1. Textile industry
2. Electricity
3. Movie industry
4. Rubber
5. Sugar
6. Mining
7. Metallurgical, iron and steel industries, including the exploitation of basic minerals, their processing and steelworks, production of iron and steel in all their forms and alloys, and their rolled products.
8. Hydrocarbons
9. Petrochemical
10. Cement

11. Limekilns,

12. Automobile industry, including car parts.

13. Chemical industry, including pharmaceutical and drug industry.

14. Cellulose and paper

15. Oils and vegetable fat

16. Food production, applicable only to industries producing packed, canned or bottled products.

17. Bottled and canned drinks, and related industries.

18. Railroad workers

19. Basic lumber industry, including sawmills and manufacture of plywood and agglutinate materials.

20. Manufacture of glass bottles and flat glass, either smooth or carved.
21. Tobacco industry, including manufacture of tobacco products.

22. Bank and credit institutions.

b) Enterprises:

1. Those enterprises that are administered directly or in a decentralized form by the Federal Government.

2. Those enterprises that have a contract or license granted by the Federal Government, and connected industries.

3. Those enterprises working in federal zones, in territorial waters or inside the exclusive economic zone of the nation.

The following topics shall be the exclusive jurisdiction of the federal authorities: a) labor disputes that affect two or more states; b) collective work contracts that have been declared obligatory in more than one state; c) employer’s obligations related to educational matters, according to the respective law; d) employer’s liabilities regarding training for workers, and safety and hygiene at work. State authorities shall assist federal authorities in matters under local jurisdiction, in accord with the applicable statutory law.

(The first paragraph was amended by decree published on January 27, 2016)

B. Between the Powers of the Union and their employees:

According to transitory article six of the amendment decree published on January 29, 2016, amendments to the first paragraph of Article 123, Section B and Base XI, Section A, Article 122, regarding the legal arrangement of labor relations between Mexico City and its employees will go into force on January 1, 2020.

While Mexico City’s Legislature exercise the power mentioned in Article 122, Base XI, Section A of the Constitution, labor relations between Mexico City and its employees, that before the entry into force of this Decree, had been ruled by the Federal Law on State Workers, Article 123, Section B of the Political Constitution of the Mexican United States, will continue...
I. The maximum duration of the working day shall be eight hours. The maximum duration of night work shall be seven hours. Those in excess will be considered overtime, the salary to be paid for overtime shall be 100% more than the amount fixed for regular hours. Overtime work may never exceed three hours a day nor three times consecutively.

II. For every six days of work, the employee must have at least one day of rest, with full payment of wage.

III. Workers shall be entitled to vacations of not less than twenty days a year.

(First paragraph was reformed through a decree published on August 24, 2009)

IV. Wages shall be fixed in the respective budgets, and their amount may not be decreased while a given budget is in effect, observing the provisions stated by the Article 127 of this Constitution.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

In no case, the wages of the public servants may be lower than the minimum wage established in general in the states.

V. Equal wages shall be paid for equal work, regardless the gender.

VI. Withholdings, discounts, deductions or attachments from wages may be made only in those cases provided by law.

VII. There shall be a system to appointment personnel according to their knowledge and skills. The State shall organize schools on public administration.

regulated by said law and labor conflicts will be heard and resolved by the Federal Arbitration and Conciliation Court, until the competent local instance is established. [N.E. Refer to the terms of said transitory article.]
VIII. There shall be a scale in order to grant promotions in accordance with knowledge, skills and seniority. Under the same conditions, the individual representing the only source of income for his family shall have preference.

IX. Workers may be suspended or fired only due to just cause and according to the law.

In the event of unjustifiable dismissal, employees have the right to choose between reinstatement and the appropriate indemnity through the appropriate legal proceedings. In case of positions axing, the affected workers shall have the right to get another position equivalent to the position that has been axed or to get an indemnity.

X. Public employees shall have the right to join together in order to protect their common interests. They may also exercise their right to strike, observing the requirements prescribed by law, whenever the rights established by this article are generally and systematically violated.

XI. Social security shall be organized according to the following minimum bases:

a) Social security shall cover work accidents, occupational diseases and other diseases, motherhood, retirement, disability, old age, and death.

b) In case of accident or illness, the right to work shall be retained for the time specified by law.

c) During pregnancy, women shall not perform such work that requires excessive physical effort and could be dangerous regarding pregnancy. Women have the right to enjoy a disability leave due to childbirth, which shall cover one month previous to the birth and two months thereafter. During such disability leave, women shall receive their full wages and retain their employment and the rights acquired under their labor contract. During the nursing period, they shall have two special rests per day, consisting of half hour each one,
to feed their babies. In addition, they shall enjoy medical and obstetrical services, medicines, nursing aid and nursery services.

d) Worker’s family has the right to medical care and medicines, in those cases and in the proportions specified by law.

e) The Social Security System shall create centers for vacations and convalescence, as well as cheap grocery stores for workers and their families.

f) The Social Security System shall provide to workers inexpensive housing for rent or sale, in accordance with previously approved programs. Additionally, the State shall create a national housing fund and shall make contributions to it. Such fund shall provide the workers with inexpensive loans, sufficient to acquire a comfortable and hygienic house, or to build, renovate or improve their home or to pay loans used to buy a house.

Contributions made to the national housing fund shall be notified to the Social Security Institute. The law of such Institute, as well as the other applicable laws, shall regulate the administration of the national housing fund and shall establish procedures to grant loans to workers.

XII. Individual, collective and inter-union conflicts shall be submitted to a federal court for conciliation and arbitration, which shall be organized as provided in the statutory law.

Disputes between the federal judicial branch and its employees shall be settled by the Federal Judicial Council. Disputes arising between the Supreme Court of Justice and its employees shall be resolved by the first one.

(Reformed through a decree published on June 18, 2008)

XIII. Military and naval personnel, Foreign Service personnel, public prosecutors, legal experts and members of the public security corps, shall be governed by their own laws.
Public prosecutors, legal experts and members of the police forces belonging to the Federation, the states and the local councils, can be dismissed if they do not meet the requirements established by prevailing laws to stay in said institutions or being dismissed due to engaging in accountability while performing their duties. If the jurisdictional authority determines that dismissal, redundancy or any other form of termination is not justified, the State shall be obliged only to pay to the employee the compensation and other benefits established by law, but this shall not mean to bring the employee back to service, regardless the ruling pronounced in the trial.

The federal, state and local authorities shall implement complementary social security systems to strengthen social security for the employees of the Public Prosecution System, of the police forces and of the legal services, as well as for their families and defendant.

The State shall provide active members of the Army, Air Force and Navy with the benefits mentioned in the paragraph “f” of section XI of this part, through the body created for this purpose in such institutions.

XIII bis. The Central Bank and all the organs belonging to the Mexican banking system shall follow the provisions established in this part regarding labor relations between them and their employees.

XIV. The law shall determine what positions are to be considered as trusted positions. Persons who hold such positions shall be entitled to the social security and protection of wages.

TITLE SEVEN

General considerations

Article 124. The powers not expressly granted by this Constitution to federal officials, shall be understood to be reserved to the states or Mexico City, within their jurisdiction.
Article 125. No person may hold two federal elective offices at the same time, nor one federal elective office and one state elective office; but an elected candidate may choose which of the two he desires to hold.

Article 126

No payment may be made if it is not included in the budget or provided for by a subsequent law.

(First paragraph amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

(Reformed through a decree published on August 24, 2009)

Article 127. Employees of the Federal Government, the state governments, the City Councils, and territorial demarcations of Mexico City, their identities and agencies, as well as the employees of any governmental agency, semipublic companies, public trusts, autonomous bodies and institutes, and of any other public entity, shall receive an adequate remuneration for their work, which shall be proportional to the liabilities.

This remuneration shall be non-negotiable and shall be fixed annually in the expenditure budgets of each organ in accord with the following bases:

I. Remuneration is any payment made in cash or in kind, including expenses, Christmas bonus, bonus, rewards, incentives, commissions, compensations and any other payment, except for expenses allowance that must be supported by receipts and invoices and for labor costs for traveling in official activities.

II. No public servant can have a salary higher than the President of the Republic’s salary.

III. No public servant can have a salary equal or higher than his/her superior’s salary, except when the exceeding part is due to the performance of several public duties or to the characteristics of the job, like a specialized technical job or a very specialized function. The
addition of such remunerations shall not exceed a half of the President of the Republic’s remuneration.

IV. Only pensions, payments, loans and credits established by law, a decree, a labor contract or labor covenant shall be granted. Such benefits are not part of the remuneration. Social security services are excluded.

V. Public servants’ remunerations and detailed tables shall be public information, such information shall specify every fixed and variable element, including payments in cash and in kind.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

VI. The Congress of the Union, the state legislatures, within the scope of their powers, shall enact the laws necessary to enforce the provisions included in this article and all related constitutional provisions. They shall also establish criminal and administrative penalties to be applicable to public servants that circumvent this article.

Article 128

Every public official, without exception, before taking office, shall swear allegiance to the Constitution and to the laws emanating thereof.

Article 129

No military authority may, during peacetime, perform any functions other than those directly related to military affairs. There shall be fixed and permanent military command headquarters only in the castles, forts and warehouses immediately subordinate to the Federal Government, or in the camps, barracks or dumps established outside towns for the troops by the Federal Government.

Article 130
The historic principle of separation of the State and the churches guides the provisions established in this article. Churches and any other religious groups shall observe the law.

Only the Congress of the Union can legislate on matters of public worship, churches and religious groups. The respective public statutory law shall develop and detail the following provisions:

a) Churches and religious groups shall have legal status after registration. The law shall regulate the religious associations and shall establish the requirements to get registration.

b) The government shall not intervene in the internal affairs of the religious associations.

c) Mexicans can become ministers of any religious denomination. For this purpose, Mexicans and foreigners must meet the requirements established by law.

d) Religious ministers cannot hold public offices, according to the statutory law. As citizens, religious ministers have the right to vote, but they do not have the right to be elected. Those who have ceased being church ministers in anticipation of running and in the form established by law, may be elected.

e) Church ministers cannot join together for political purposes nor proselytize in favor of certain candidate, party or political association or against them. Neither may they oppose the laws of the Nation or its institutions, nor insult patriotic symbols in any form, in public meetings, in worship or in religious literature.

The formation of any kind of political group with a name containing any word or other symbol related to any religion is strictly prohibited. No meeting of a political character may be held in churches or temples.
The simple promise of truthfulness and fulfillment, subjects the person to the penalties established by law in the event of failing to fulfill them.

Church ministers, their antecedents, children, brothers, sisters and spouses, as well as their religious associations, cannot inherit by will from their followers, who do not have a family relationship of up to fourth grade.

Acts of marital status pertain only to the administrative authorities under the terms established by law. The law shall define the effect and validity for the marital status acts.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
The law shall confer powers and duties on civil matters to the federal authorities, state authorities, local authorities and territorial demarcations of Mexico City authorities.

(First Paragraph amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)
**Article 131.** Only the Federal Government can tax imports and exports, and merchandises that pass in transit through the national territory, as well as to regulate at all times, and even to prohibit, for security reasons, the circulation of merchandises across the country, regardless of their origin.

The President of the Republic can be empowered by the Congress of the Union to: increase, decrease, or abolish tariff rates on imports and exports, that were imposed by the Congress; to establish new tariff rates; to restrict and to prohibit the importation, exportation or transit of products, articles and goods in order to regulate foreign trade, the economy of the country, the stability of domestic production, or for accomplishing any other purpose to the benefit of the country. The President of the Republic shall send to the Congress, together with the annual budget, a report about the way he has exercised this power.

**Article 132**

The forts, barracks, warehouses and other buildings used by the Federal Government to provide public services or for public use, shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the federal powers in accordance with the law enacted by the Congress of the Union. However, if the
Federal Government acquires properties in the future within the territory of any state, in order to put such property under federal jurisdiction, the consent of the respective legislature shall be necessary.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

**Article 133.** This Constitution, the laws derived from the Congress of the Union and enacted by the Congress of the Union, and all the treaties made and execute by the President of the Republic, with the approval of the Senate, shall be the supreme law of the country. The judges of each state shall observe the Constitution, the laws derived from it and the treaties, despite any contradictory provision that may appear in the constitutions or laws of the states.

(First Paragraph amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

(First paragraph was reformed through a decree published on May 7, 2008)

**Article 134.** Economic resources available for the federal, state and local governments, and for Mexico City’s territorial demarcations shall be managed with efficiency, effectiveness, savings, openness and honesty in order to achieve the objectives for which they are intended.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

(Added through a decree published on May 7, 2008)

The result of the use of said resources shall be assessed by specialized state agencies respectively created by the Federation and the states with the purpose of guaranteeing that such resources are distributed according to the respective budgets observing the principles stated in the previous paragraph. The above, without prejudice to provisions in Article 26, Section C, 74, fraction VI and 79 of this Constitution.

All contracts made by the authorities and entities mentioned before on acquisitions, renting, transfers, provision of services and works shall be awarded by open tender, where qualified bidders submit their sealed bids. These sealed bids are opened in public for scrutiny in order to assess their offers about price, quality, financing, opportunity and other appropriate conditions.
When tender is not appropriate to guarantee the conditions mentioned in the previous paragraph, the law shall establish the bases, procedures, regulations, requirements and other conditions necessary to prove the good price, effectiveness, efficiency, impartiality and honesty of the process for the benefit of the state.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

(Reformed through a decree published on May 7, 2008)

Management of federal economic resources by state governments, local governments, territorial demarcations of Mexico City shall be carried out observing the bases established in this article and the applicable statutory laws. Revision of the use of such resources shall be made by the specialized state agencies mentioned in the second paragraph of this article.

Public servants shall be accountable, according to the terms stated in the Title Four of this Constitution, for any violation committed against the provisions established in this article.

(Amended by decree published on January 29, 2016)

(Added through a decree published on November 13, 2007)

The public servants working in the federal, state and local governments, as well as Mexico City’s territorial demarcations are always obliged to impartially invest the public resources under their management and not to affect the equity of the competition between political parties.

(Added through a decree published on November 13, 2007)

Propaganda disseminated through any media by the government, the autonomous bodies, the government agencies or any other entity belonging to any of the three levels of government, shall be institutional and shall bring information, education or guiding. Such propaganda cannot include names, images, voices or symbols which imply the promotion of a public servant.
The laws shall, within their field, guarantee enforcement of the two previous paragraphs and shall define penalties to be applied to offenders.

TITLE EIGHT

Constitutional reforms

(Article 135) Additions and amendments may be done to this Constitution, but to become a part of it, such additions and amendments must be agreed by the Congress of the Union, by the vote of two-thirds of the members present, and must be approved by the majority of the states and Mexico City’s legislatures.

The Congress of the Union or the Permanent Committee, as appropriate, shall count the votes of the legislatures and shall announce those additions or amendments that have been approved.

TITLE NINE

The inviolability of the Constitution

(Article 136) This Constitution shall not lose force and effect, even if its observance is interrupted by a rebellion. In the event that a government, whose principles are contrary to those that are sanctioned herein, is established through any public disturbance, as soon as the people recover their liberty, its observance shall be reestablished, and those who have taken part in the government emanating from the rebellion, as well as those who have cooperated with such persons, shall be judged in accordance with this Constitution and the laws derived from it.

TRANSITORY ARTICLES

(First Article) This Constitution shall be published at once and, with the greatest solemnity, an oath of allegiance to the Constitution must be taken in order to uphold it throughout the Republic; except for the provisions relating to the election of the supreme federal and state
powers, which shall enter into force at once. This Constitution will come into force the first
day of May 1917. In such date, the Constitutional Congress shall be formally installed, and
the citizen elected as the President of the Republic in the next elections shall swear an oath
to exercise the office.

In the elections that must be called in accordance with the following article, section V of
the Article 82 shall not apply, and to be in active service in the Army shall not be an
impediment to become a representative or senator, provided that such service is not
command of forces in the electoral district in question. In the same way, Secretaries and
under-Secretaries can be elected for the next Congress of the Union, provided that they
definitely resign their position on the day that the respective call is issued.

Second Article. As soon as this Constitution is published, the President of the Republic
shall call for elections for the federal powers, endeavoring to do this in such a way that the
Congress shall be organized promptly, since it must declare the winner of the elections for
the Presidency, after the count of the votes casted, so that the provisions of the preceding
article could be complied.

Third Article. The next constitutional term for representatives and senators shall begin to
run on September first of last year, and for the President of the Republic from December 1,
1916.

Fourth Article. Senators bearing even numbers at the next election shall hold office for
two years only, in order to change the half of the Senate every two years.

Fifth Article. The Congress of the Union shall elect the magistrates of the Supreme Court
of Justice of the Nation next May in order to have the Court installed by June first.

At this election, the Article 96 shall not govern with respect to the proposals of candidates
by the local legislatures. However, the elected candidates shall hold office only for the first
two-year term established in the Article 94.
Sixth Article. The Congress of the Union shall have an extraordinary period of session, which will begin on April 15, 1917. In such period, the Congress shall become an electoral college to count the votes, approve the election for the President of the Republic and declare the winner. In this same extraordinary period of sessions, the Congress shall enact the Organic Law for the circuit and district courts and the Organic Law for the Federal District courts, so that the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation may immediately appoint the circuit magistrates and district judges. In addition, the Congress of the Union shall appoint the judges of first instance for the Federal District and shall enact all laws requested by the President of the Republic. The circuit magistrates, the district judges and the magistrates and judges of the Federal District must assume office before July 1, 1917, at which time those persons who had been appointed by the current President of the Republic shall resign.

Seventh Article. This time only, a counting board must be created for each electoral district. The counting board of the first electoral district in each states and the Federal District shall count the votes for Senators, and these boards shall issue the majority certificate to the senators elected.

Eighth Article. The Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation shall settle the pending Amparo trials, observing the current laws.

Ninth Article. The President of the Republic is empowered to enact the Electoral Law, under which, this time the elections shall be held to create the Powers of the Union.

Tenth Article. Persons who have taken part in the government formed by the rebellion against the legitimate Government of the Republic, or those who cooperated with it, afterwards combating with arms or holding office or employment with the factions that attacked the Constitutional Government, shall be tried under laws in force, unless they have been pardoned by the Constitutional Government.

Eleventh Article. Until the Congress of the Union and the state legislatures enact laws governing the agrarian and labor affairs, the bases established in this Constitution for such affairs shall take effect throughout the country.
Twelfth Article. Mexicans who have fought in the Constitutional Army, and their children and widows, as well as other persons who rendered services to the Revolution or to public education, shall have priority to acquire land according to the Article 27 and shall have the right to discounts specified by law.

Thirteenth Article. All debts contracted by workers, by reason of their labor, until the date of this Constitution, with employers, their families, or intermediaries are hereby extinguished in full.

Fourteenth Article. The Secretariat of Justice is hereby abolished.

Fifth Article. Hereby, the President of the Republic is empowered to issue the tort law applicable to the offenders, accomplices and accessories to the crimes perpetrated against the constitutional order during the month of February 1913 and against the Constitutional Government.

Sixteenth Article. The Constitutional Congress, in the next ordinary period of sessions starting on September 1 this year, shall enact all organic laws of this Constitution that have not already been enacted in the extraordinary period of sessions mentioned in the sixth transitory article. The Congress shall give priority to laws related to fundamental rights and to the Articles 30, 32, 33, 35, 36, 38, 107 and the last part of the Article 111 of this Constitution.

Seventeen Article. Churches, temples and other properties belonging to the Federal Government, based on the provisions established in the section II of the Article 27 of this Constitution, which is reformed through this decree, shall maintain their current legal status.

This Constitution has been issued in the Congress Chamber in Queretaro on January 31, 1917.

Transitory articles of the reform acts made to this Constitution
1. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act issued on April 4, 1990 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on April 6, 1990, which makes reforms and additions to the Article 5, 35 section III, 36 section I, 41, 54, 60 and 73 section VI, third base, and through which the transitory Article 17, 18 and 19 are repealed.

First Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second Article.- Until there is a national citizen register, Mexicans shall register themselves in the electoral roll.

Third Article.- Representatives elected for the LIV Legislature of the Congress of the Union shall hold office until October 31, 1991.

Fourth Article.- Senators elected for the LIV Legislature for a three years term, shall hold office until October 31, 1991. Senators elected for the LIV and LV Legislatures for a six years term, shall hold office until October 31, 1994.

Fifth Article.- Permanent Committee is composed of 37 members in accordance with the Article 78 of this Constitution starting from the first recess of the LIV Legislature of the Congress of the Union.

Sixth Article.- Until a new electoral statutory law is enacted by the Congress of the Union, the Federal Electoral Code shall be in force.

2. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act issued on June 26, 1990 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on June 27, 1990, which repeals the fifth paragraph of the Article 28, modifies and adds the paragraph “a” of the section XXXI of the part A of the Article 123, and reforms section XIII bis of the part B, same article, of this Constitution.
First Article. - This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second Article. - Until new regulations are issued, banking and credit institutions, as well as branches belonging to foreign banks, which have license to operate in Mexico, shall be governed by the legal provisions and regulations currently in force.

3. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act issued on January 3, 1992 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on January 6, 1992, which reforms the Article 27 of this Constitution as follows: third paragraph and sections IV, VI first paragraph, VII, XV and XVII are amended; second and third paragraphs of the section XIX are added; and sections X to XIV and XVI are repealed.

First Article. - This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second Article. - Since the enactment of this decree, and until the agriculture law is amended, its provisions shall remain in force, including those relating to the responsible authorities and agencies and those related to the internal organization of farm cooperatives and indigenous communities, provided that they do not oppose this decree.

Third Article. - The Department of the Agrarian Reform, the Agrarian Advisory Body, the mixed agrarian commissions and the other agrarian authorities shall continue settling the affairs that have been already initiated on: a) land extension and grant of land, forests and waters; b) creation of new communities; and c) return, recognition and title deeds about common property; according to the legal provisions currently in force.

Pending files shall be turned to the agrarian courts, upon taking office, in order to pronounce a definitive ruling in accord with their organic law and the previous paragraph.
The rest of the files, as well as the new cases arising after publication of this decree and related to agrarian affairs, shall be turned to the agrarian courts, upon taking office.

4. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act issued on January 27, 1992 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on January 28, 1992, through which the complete Article 102 of this Constitution becomes into part “A” of such article and a new part “B” is added.

First Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second Article.- Until the state human rights commissions are created, the National Human Right Commission must resolve all the complaints.

Within the 30 days after publication of this decree, the National Human Rights Commission shall send the corresponding pending cases to the states human rights commissions that have been already created.

The congresses of the states have one-year term, starting from the date this decree has been published, to create the state human rights commissions.

5. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act issued on January 22, 1992 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on January 28, 1992, which adds the first paragraph to the Article 4 of this Constitution, so the rest of the paragraphs have been moved in order.

Only Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.
6. **TRANSITORY ARTICLE** of the Reform Act issued on January 22, 1992 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on January 28, 1992, which reforms the Article 3 in the following way: section IV is repealed, section I is amended and becomes into sections I and II, sections II and III are moved to third and fourth positions, respectively, and section IV is amended. In addition, the fifth paragraph of the Article 5 is amended; the Article 24 is amended; sections II and III of the Article 27 are amended; the Article 130 is amended, except for the fourth paragraph; and the seventeenth transitory article is added.

**Only Article.** This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

7. **TRANSITORY ARTICLE** of the Reform Act issued on March 3, 1993 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on March 5, 1993, which reforms the Articles 3 and 31, section I, of this Constitution.

**Only Article.** This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

8. **TRANSITORY ARTICLE** of the Reform Act issued on August 18, 1993 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on August 20, 1993, which adds section III to the Article 82 of this Constitution.

**Only Article.** This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

9. **TRANSITORY ARTICLES** of the Reform Act issued on August 18, 1993 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on August 20, 1993, which reforms the Article 28, 73 and 123 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

**First Article.** This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.
Second Article.- Until the law for the Central Bank is enacted, derived from the Article 28 of this Constitution, the Organic Law of the Banco de México shall remain in force.

10. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act issued on September 2, 1993 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on September 3, 1993, which reforms the Article 65 and 66 of this Constitution.

First Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second Article.- The ordinary period of sessions corresponding to November and December, 1993, and the ordinary periods corresponding to 1994, shall be carried out according to the dates that have been governed and observing the provisions established by the Reform Act published on April 7, 1986.

Third Article.- Starting from March 15, 1995, ordinary periods of sessions shall be carried out according to the dates established in this Reform Act.

Fourth Article.- Representatives elected for the LVI Legislature of the Congress of the Union, shall hold office from November 1, 1994 to August 3, 1997.

Fifth Article.- Senators elected for the LVI and LVII Legislatures of the Congress of the Union shall hold office from November 1, 1994 to August 3, 2000.

Senators elected in 1997 shall hold the office from November 1, 1997 to August 31, 2000.

11. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act issued on September 2, 1993 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on September 3, 1993, which reforms
First Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second Article.- Current magistrates of the Federal Electoral Court, appointed by the House of Representatives, shall hold the office for a term indicated in the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on October 3, 1990.

Third Article.- In the federal election that will be carried out in 1994, from each state and the Federal District, two senators shall be elected by the principle of majority and one senator shall be appointed by the principle of largest minority for the LVI and LVII Legislatures of the Congress of the Union. These senators shall hold office from November 1, 1994, to the end of the term corresponding to the LVII Legislature. For this election, the parties must register two sets of candidates for each state and the Federal District.

In the federal election that will be carried out in 1997, from each state and the Federal District, one senator shall be elected by the principle of majority for the LVII Legislature. These senators shall hold office from November 1, 1997, to the end of the term corresponding to the LVII Legislature. For this election, the parties must register one set of candidates for each state and the Federal District.

Fourth Article. Federal Representatives of the LVI Legislature shall hold office from November 1, 1994 to the end of the term of said legislature.

Fifth Article.- Federal election for the LVI Legislature of the House of Representatives shall be carried out based on the distribution of uninominal districts and the five plurinominal districts created for the 1991 elections. For the federal election that will be carried out in 1997 for the LVII Legislature, a new distribution of uninominal districts shall be done, based on the 1990 census.
Sixth Article. - All provisions opposing the reforms established in this Reform Act are repealed.

12. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act issued on September 2, 1993 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on September 3, 1993, which reforms the Article 16, 19, 20 and 119 of this Constitution, and the section XVIII of the Article 107 is repealed.

First Article. - This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation, except for that established in the Second Transitory Article.

Second Article. - The provision stated in the first paragraph of the section I of the Article 20, indicated in this Reform Act, shall come into force one year after publication.

13. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act issued on October 20, 1993 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on October 25, 1993, which reforms the Article 31, 44, 73, 74, 79, 89, 104, 105, 107, 122; In addition, the name of the Title Five is changed, the section IX is added to the Article 76, the first paragraph is added to the Article 119, and the section XVII of the Article 89 is repealed.

First Article. - This decree shall come into force 30 days after its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation, except for that established in the following transitory articles.

Second Article. - The Federal District Assembly of Representatives, elected for the period November 1991 to November 1994, shall have the same powers indicated in section VI of the Article 73 of this Constitution upon this Reform Act comes into force.

Third Article. - The Third Federal District Assembly of Representatives shall have the powers conferred by this Reform Act. This Assembly shall work from November 15, 1994 to September 16, 1997.
Fourth Article. - Starting from March 15, 1995, ordinary periods of sessions of the Federal District Assembly shall be carried out according to the dates indicated in this Reform Act.

Fifth Article. - First appointment for the Head of the Federal District Government, according to this Reform Act, shall be done on December 1997, and he must hold office until December 2, 2000.

Until the Head of the Federal District Government takes up office, the Federal District Government shall be the President of the Republic’s responsibility, in accordance with the Article 73, section VI, first base of this Constitution. The President of the Republic shall keep the power to freely appoint and dismiss the Head of the Federal District Government and the heads of the other Federal District Government agencies. Hereafter, the President of the Republic shall keep the powers established in the section I of the Article 89 of this Constitution.

Sixth Article. - Citizen councils per district shall be elected and formed in 1995, according to the Government Code and the applicable laws.

Seventh Article. - Public servants that go back to work for the new Federal District Government and its agencies shall keep all their labor rights.

Eight Article. - The proposals for revenue laws and expenditure budgets for the Federal District corresponding to the years 1995, 1996 and 1997, as well as the public accounts corresponding to 1995 and 1996, shall be submitted by the President of the Republic to the Federal District Assembly of Representatives. The 1994 public account shall be reviewed by the House of Representatives.

Ninth Article. - Until new provisions are issued to coordinate the fiscal system between the Federal Government and the Federal District Government, the current regulations on the matter shall be applied.
Tenth Article.- Until new regulations are enacted for the Federal District, the current legal provisions and regulations will continue in force.

Eleventh Article.- The Congress of the Union shall keep the power to enact laws on common, civil and criminal matters for the Federal District, until the new federal regulations are issued. After that, the Assembly of Representatives will legislate on such matters, in accord with this Reform Act.

14. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act issued on April 15, 1994 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on April 19, 1994, which reforms the eighth, ninth, seventeenth and eighteenth paragraphs of the Article 41 of this Constitution.

Only Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

15. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act issued on June 28, 1994 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on July 1, 1994, which reforms the section I of the Article 82 of this Constitution.

Only Article.- This decree shall come into force on December 31, 1999.

16. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act issued on December 30, 1994 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on December 31, 1994, which adds three paragraphs to the Article 21; reforms the section V of the Article 55; re-establishes the section XXIII of the Article 73; amends sections II and VIII of the Article 76; amends sections II and V of the Article 79; amends sections II, IX, XVI and XVIII of the Article 89; amends second paragraph of the Article 93; amends first, second, fifth, sixth, eighth, and ninth paragraphs and add the tenth paragraph of the Article 94; amends sections II, III and V of the Article 95 and adds the section VI and the last paragraph to such article; reforms the Article 96; reforms the Article 97; reforms the Article 98; amends the Article 99; amends the Article 100; reforms the Article 101; amends the first, third and fifth paragraphs of the Article 102, part “A”, and adds the last paragraph to such article; reforms sections II and III of the Article 103; amends section IV of the Article 104; reforms the Article 105; amends the Article 106; reforms sections V last paragraph, VIII first and
penultimate paragraphs, XI, XII first and second paragraphs, XIII first paragraph, and XVI
of the Article 107; amends paragraph third of the Article 108; amends first and second
paragraphs of the Article 110; reforms first and fifth paragraphs of the Article 111; reforms
section III, third paragraph, of the Article 116 and the fifth paragraph of said article is
repealed, therefore the order of the paragraphs is changed; reforms and adds section VII of
the Article 122; and reforms section XII, second paragraph, of the part “B” of the Article
123 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

First Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the
Official Gazette of the Federation, except for that established in the eighth and ninth
transitory articles below.

Second Article.- Current ministers of the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation shall
conclude their term when this Reform Act comes into force. They will receive a pension
equal to the amount established in the “Act that establishes the causes for compulsory or
voluntary retirement of ministers of the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation”.

Impediments stated in the last paragraph of the Article 94 and the third paragraph of the
Article 101, reformed by this Reform Act, shall not be applicable to the ministers
mentioned in the previous paragraph.

In the event that ministers go back to work in the Supreme Court, according to the
procedure established in the amended Article 96, the right granted in the first paragraph
shall be suspended during the time they hold office.

Third Article.- In order to appoint the first ministers for the Supreme Court of Justice in
accord with the amendments done by this Reform Act, the President of the Republic shall
submit a list of 18 candidates to the Senate, which will approve 11 ministers from such list
through the vote of two-thirds of the members.

Fourth Article.- In order to comply with the provisions established in the first paragraph of
the Article 97 of this Reform Act, the law that regulates selection, entry, promotion and
dismissal of the Federal Judiciary’s employees shall specify which cases are to be
processed according to sections I, II and III of the Article 109 of this Constitution.
The Senate must hear the candidates and pronounce its resolution within 30 calendar days, this term is not extendable.

Term during which ministers shall hold office will end on November 30 every three years, 2003, 2006, 2009 and 2012 for every two ministers, and will end on November 30, 2015 for the last three ministers. While approving appointments, the Senate shall indicate the term for each minister.

Once at least seven ministers have been appointed, a solemn session must be carried out for opening, where the President of the Supreme Court shall be appointed.

Fifth Article.- The first circuit magistrates and district judges selected to conform the Federal Judicial Council shall hold office until November 30, 2001. One councilor appointed by the Senate and the councilor appointed by the President of the Republic shall hold office until November 30, 1999, the remaining councilor shall hold office until November 30, 1997. The Senate and the President of the Republic shall appoint the respective councilors within 30 days after that this Reform Act has come into force. The Senate shall indicate the term for each of its councilors.

The Federal Judicial Council shall be opened once five councilors have been appointed, provided that one of them is elected as the chairman.

Sixth Article.- Until the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation and the Federal Judicial Council are opened in accord with the third and fifth transitory articles above, the last commission and management of the Supreme Court shall perform their duties and manage the administrative affairs of the Federal Judiciary. Therefore, the second transitory article shall apply to the members of said commission.

The said commission must call to the solemn session mentioned in the third transitory article and must take the necessary measures to assure that the first circuit magistrates and district judges for the Federal Judicial Council are elected in a few days after this Reform Act comes into force.
After opening, the said commission will no longer work and must give a report on the affairs mentioned in the previous paragraphs to the Supreme Court or to the Federal Judicial Council, as applicable.

**Seventh Article.** - The magistrate, the judge of first instance and the Justice of the Peace appointed to be the first councilors in the Federal District Judicial Council shall hold office until November 30, 2001. One of the councilors appointed by the Federal District Assembly of Representatives and the councilor appointed by the Head of the Federal District Government shall hold office until November 30, 1999. The remaining councilor shall hold office until November 30, 1997. The Assembly of Representatives and the Head of the Federal District Government must appoint their councilors within the 30 calendar days period after this Reform Act comes into force, they shall indicate the period for each of their councilors.

Once five councilors have been appointed, the Federal District Judicial Council must be opened.

The plenary meeting of the Supreme Court of Justice shall manage the administrative affairs until the Federal District Judicial Council is opened and shall take the necessary measures to assure that the magistrate and the judge of first instance are elected in a few days after this Reform Act comes into force.

**Eighth Article.** - Amendments done to the Article 105 shall come into force the same day the appropriate statutory law comes into force.

**Ninth Article.** - Affairs mentioned in the reformed articles shall continue their process according to the new provisions.

Amendments done to the section XVI of the Article 107 shall come into force the same day when amendments to the statutory law of the Articles 103 and 107 come into force.
Tenth Article.- Labor conflicts, between the federal judicial branch and its employees, filed before this Reform Act, shall continue their process in accordance with the new provisions.

Eleventh Article.- Until the new legal provisions, regulations and general covenants related to the amended articles are issued, the current provisions, regulations and covenant shall remain in force, provided that they do not oppose the new ones.

Twelfth Article.- Labor rights of the public servants belonging to the Federal Judiciary must be completely observed.

17. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act issued on February 27, 1995 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on March 2, 1995, which reforms the fourth paragraph of the Article 28 of this Constitution.

Only Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

18. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act issued on June 26, 1996 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on July 3, 1996, which reforms the Articles 16, 20 section I and penultimate paragraph, 21, 22 and 73 section XXI of this Constitution.

Only Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

19. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act issued on August 21, 1996 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on August 22, 1996, which reforms the section III of the Article 35; section III of the Article 36; Article 41 from the second to the last paragraphs, Article 54 from the section II ahead; Article 56; second and third paragraphs of the Article 60; section I of the Article 74; first, fourth and eight paragraphs of the Article 94; Article 99; first and second paragraphs of the Article 101; the head and third paragraph of the section II of the Article 105, therefore the third paragraph moves to the
fifth position; the first paragraph of the Article 108; first paragraph of the Article 110; first paragraph of the Article 111; third paragraph of section II of the Article 116; and the Article 122. In addition, a third and fourth paragraphs are added to the Article 98; also the point “f” and the third and fourth paragraphs are added to the section II of the Article 105; and the section IV is added to the Article 116. Therefore, the sections IV, V and VI are moved to the sections V, VI and VII. Section VI of the Article 73 is repealed; as well as the second paragraph of the third transitory article of the Reform Act issued on September 2, 1993 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on September 3, 1993, which reforms the Articles 41, 54, 56, 60, 63, 74 and 100 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

First Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation, except for that established in the following transitory articles.

Second Article.- Additions made to the section II of the Article 105 of this Reform Act, related to the state electoral laws shall come into force on January 1, 1997, since according to their electoral calendars, elections must be carried out before April 1, 1997.

Only for this time, the term indicated in the fourth paragraph of the section II of the Article 105 shall not be applicable for the federal and local electoral laws issued before April 1997.

Appeals that raise a contradiction between a general electoral rule and the Constitution, according to the Article 105, section II, and this Reform Act and filed before April 1, 1997, shall be subject to the following special provisions:

a) The term mentioned in the Article 105, section II, second paragraph, shall be equal to 15 calendar days.

b) The Supreme Court of Justice shall resolve the case in a term no longer than 15 business days, after filing of the initial document.
Amendments done to the Article 116 by this Reform Act shall not be applicable in the states where electoral campaigns have begun or begin before January 1, 1997. This states, shall have one year after conclusion of elections to adapt their electoral laws to this Reform Act.

The rest of the states shall adapt their electoral laws to that established in the Article 116 within a six months term after this Reform Act comes into force.

**Third Article.** On October 31, 1996 at the latest, the President Councilor and the Executive Secretary of the General Council of the Federal Electoral Institute must be appointed, as well as the eight new electoral councilors and their substitutes. The current councilors cannot be reelected. Until the new appointments are done and the law is reformed, the General Council of the Federal Electoral Institute shall perform the same duties currently established in the Federal Code of Electoral Institutions and Procedures.

**Forth Article.** In the federal election that is to be carried out in 1997, 32 senators shall be elected for the LVII Legislature according to the principle of proportional representation, where the lists of candidates shall be voted in one single plurinominal district. These senators shall hold office from November 1, 1997 to the end of the LVII Legislature. Appointment must be carried out according to the formula that takes into account the natural quotient and the higher remainder, and following the decreasing order of the lists. This reform Act repeals the second paragraph of the third transitory article of the Reform Act issued on September 2, 1993 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on September 3, 1993, which reforms the Articles 41, 54, 56, 60, 63, 74 and 100 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

**Fifth Article.** The new electoral magistrates shall be appointed at the latest on October 31, 1996. Only for this time, the vote of the three quarters of the members present in the Senate is required.

**Sixth Article.** Until the respective laws are reformed or issued, the Federal Electoral Court must perform the duties currently stated in the Federal Code of Electoral Institutions and Procedures.
Seventh Article. - The Head of the Federal District Government shall be elected in 1997, and for this only time, he will hold office until December 4, 2000.

Eight Article. - The norm that establishes the power to issue provisions that regulate elections in the Federal District shall come into force on January 1, 1998. Such norm is established in the Article 122 of this Reform Act, part “C”, section V, paragraph “f”. However, the Federal Code of Electoral Institutions and Procedures shall be applied in the 1997 elections for Head of the Federal District Government and members of the Assembly of Representatives.

Ninth Article. - The requirement stated in the Article 122, part “C”, SECOND BASE, section I, second paragraph, which prohibits a citizen who performed the duties of an office similar to the Head of the Federal District Government to become the holder of such office, applies to every citizen that has held a similar office, regardless the name of such position.

Tenth Article. - The provisions established in the Article 122, part “C”, THIRD BASE, section II, regarding appointment of the heads of the political administrative organs for the Federal District, shall come into force on January 1, 2000. Meanwhile, in 1997, these public servants shall be appointed through an indirect way according to the law.

Eleventh Article. - The provision that grants the Federal District Assembly of Representatives the power to enact laws on civil and criminal matters for the Federal District shall come into force on January 1, 1999.

Twelfth Article. - Federal Government shall keep the properties and goods located in the Federal District that are used for provision of federal services.

Thirteenth Article. - All current regulations applicable to the Federal District government agencies shall remain in force until the new ones are issued by the responsible organs according to the bases established in this Reform Act.
20. **TRANSITORY ARTICLES** of the Reform Act issued on March 5, 1997 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on March 20, 1997, which reforms the Articles 30, 32 and 37 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

**First Article.** - This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

**Second Article.** - Those who have lost their Mexican nationality by birth due to the voluntary acquisition of a foreign nationality, provided that they are in full enjoyment of their rights, can benefit from that established in the Article 37, part “A”, of this Constitution by submitting their application to the Department of Foreign Affairs.

(Modified through a reform act published on March 20, 1997, which reforms the second transitory article corresponding to the Articles 30, 32 and 37 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States)

**Third Article.** - Current provisions about Mexican nationality, issued before this Reform Act comes into force, shall remain in force for that persons who were born or conceived during their effect.

**Fourth Article.** - Until the Congress of the Union enacts the provisions related to nationality, the current law shall apply when it does not oppose this Reform Act.

**Fifth Article.** - The last paragraph of the part “C” of the Article 37 shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

**Only Article**.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

*The new text of such article is as follows:

**THIRD ARTICLE**

“Current provisions about Mexican nationality, issued before this Reform Act comes into force, shall remain in force for that persons who were born or conceived during their effect, but only where such provisions favor the persons, without prejudice to the benefits granted by this Reform Act.

**22. TRANSITORY ARTICLE** of the Reform Act issued on February 3, 1999 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on March 8, 1999, which reforms the second paragraph of the Article 16; amends the first paragraph and adds a second paragraph to the Article 19, so that the two subsequent paragraphs have been moved to the third and fourth positions; adds a third paragraph to the Article 22, so the subsequent paragraph has been moved to the fourth position; reforms the first paragraph and adds a third paragraph to the section XIII of the part B of the Article 123 of this Constitution.

**Only Article**.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

**23. TRANSITORY ARTICLES** of the Reform Act issued on June 9, 1999 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on June 11, 1999, which reforms the Articles 94, first and sixth paragraphs; 97, last paragraph; 100, first, second, third, fifth, seventh, eighth and ninth paragraphs; and 107, section IX. In addition, a second paragraph is added to the Article 94, therefore paragraphs second to tenth have been moved to the third to eleventh positions; and a third paragraph is added to the Article 100, so the third to ninth paragraphs are moved to the fourth to tenth positions, all these articles belongs to the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

**First Article**.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.
Second Article.- Current councilors serving in the Federal Judicial Council shall conclude their term upon this Reform Act comes into force, except by the President Councilor.

The Supreme Court of Justice, in plenary meeting, the Senate and the President of the Republic shall appoint the councilors for the Federal Judicial Council within the 30 calendar days after this decree comes into force, in accordance with the Article 100 as amended.

For this only time, councilor appointed by the Supreme Court of Justice shall hold office until November 30, 2002, 2004 and 2006. Councilor appointed by the Senate shall hold office until November 30, 2003 and 2007. The councilor appointed by the President of the Republic shall hold office until November 30, 2005. While appointing councilors, their term shall be specified.

Third Article.- Until the Federal Judicial Council is opened, a temporary commission shall perform its duties, which shall be composed of the President Councilor and the officials directly reporting to the Council. Such commission shall process and resolve urgent administrative affairs, except for appointment, ratification and dismissal of judges and magistrates. Once the Federal Judicial Council has been installed, the commission shall submit a report about its resolutions to the plenary meeting.

Fourth Article.- Cases filed before publication of this Reform Act shall continue their process according to the provisions in force when they were filed.

24. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act issued on June 9, 1999 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on June 28, 1999, which adds a fifth paragraph to the Article 4, so that fifth and sixth paragraphs have been moved to the sixth and seventh positions, respectively; and reforms the first paragraph of the Article 25 of this Constitution.

Only Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.
25. **TRANSITORY ARTICLE** of the Reform Act issued on June 9, 1999 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on June 28, 1999, which reforms section XXIX-H and adds section XXIX-I of the Article 73 of this Constitution.

*Only Article.*- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

26. **TRANSITORY ARTICLES** of the Reform Act issued on June 9, 1999 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on June 28, 1999, which adds the section XXIX-J to the Article 73 of this Constitution.

*First Article.*- This addition shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

*Second Article.*- The term established to issue the statutory law about the powers of the Federal Government on sports matter is one year.

27. **TRANSITORY ARTICLE** of the Reform Act issued on July 14, 1999 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on July 29, 1999, which reforms the Article 58 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

*Only Article.*- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

28. **TRANSITORY ARTICLES** of the Reform Act issued on July 14, 1999 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on July 30, 1999, which adds a second paragraph and eight sections to the Article 78, having a section V in the Chapter II of the Title Three; and reforms the Article 74, section IV, fifth paragraph; reforms Articles 73, section XXIV, 74 section II, and 79. In addition, section III of the Article 74 of this Constitution is repealed.
First Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation, except for that established in the following transitory articles.

Second Article.- The Federal Auditing Office shall begin operations on January 1, 2000. Sections I to IV of the Article 79, amended through this Reform Act, shall apply starting from the 2001 public account.

The Federal Auditing Office shall review the public accounts corresponding to 1998, 1999 and 2000 according to the provisions in force before this Reform Act.

Whenever such provisions talk about the Accounts Office of the House of Representatives, such mentions shall mean the Federal Auditing Office.

Third Article.- Until the Federal Auditing Office is opened, the Accounts Office shall continue performing its duties in accord with the Article 74, section IV of this Constitution, its organic law and other applicable judicial provisions in force before publication of this Reform Act.

Labor rights of the public servants working in the Accounts Office shall not be affected in any way due to the publication of this Reform Act and derived from it laws.

Once the Federal Auditing Office has been created, all human and material resources, as well as all properties belonging to the Accounts Office, shall be transferred to the Federal Auditing Office.

Fourth Article.- The Head of the accounts Office shall be the Head of the Federal Auditing Office until December 31, 2001. He may be ratified in the post until completion of the eight years term established in the Article 79 of this Constitution.
29. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act issued on August 18, 1999 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on September 13, 1999, which reforms the Article 102, part B, of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

First Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second Article.- Current members of the Advisory Council of the National Human Resources Commission shall hold office until their terms. They may be elected for a second term according to the terms established in the Article 102, part “B”, fifth paragraph, which is amended by this Reform Act.

Third Article.- Within a 60 days term, the Senate, or the Permanent Committee, shall appoint the President of the National Human Rights Commission in accord with the procedure indicated in the part B of the Article 102, which is reformed hereby. For this purpose, the following rules must be observed:

A. The appropriate commission of the Senate shall carry out a complete auscultation among the social organizations and public and private bodies that defend and protect human rights.

B. Based on the results of the auscultation, said commission can suggest ratification of the current Head of the National Human Rights Commission or suggest a list of three candidates.

Fourth Article.- Until the Congress of the Union issues the reforms to the Act of the National Human Rights Commission, this Commission shall perform its duties according to this Reform Act and the statutory law in force.

Fifth Article.- All provisions that oppose this Reform Act are repealed.
30. **TRANSITIONAL ARTICLES** of the Reform Act issued on October 28, 1999 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on December 23, 1999, which reforms the Article 115 of this Constitution.

**First Article.** - This decree shall come into force 90 days after its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation, except for that established in the following transitory articles.

**Second Article.** - States shall have one-year term to adapt their constitutions and laws in accord with this Reform Act. The Congress of the Union shall adapt the federal laws to this decree at the latest on April 30, 2001.

Until such date, current provisions shall remain in force.

**Third Article.** - Related to functions and services provided by the state governments or in coordination with the City Councils, and which must be transferred to the City Councils according to this decree, the state government may continue providing such services with the approval of the City Council. State governments must carry out all necessary arrangements in order to transfer such services to the City Council in an orderly manner within a 90 days term, starting from submission of the request.

State government can request the state legislature to keep under state jurisdiction the services mentioned in the Article 115, section III, paragraph “a” if transfer of such services to the City Council should affect their provision. The state legislature must pronounce a resolution thereof.

Until transfer of services mentioned in the first paragraph has been carried out, performing of public functions and provision of public services will continue under the current terms and conditions.
Fourth Article.- State governments and City Councils must make all arrangements necessary to adapt previous agreements to that established in this Reform Act and in the state constitutions and laws.

Fifth Article.- Before 2002 fiscal year, state legislatures, together with the respective City Councils, shall adjust registered land values to the market values in order to have an updated base for tax collection, observing the principles of proportionality and equity.

Sixth Article.- While making arrangements to comply with this decree, state governments and City Councils must observe the rights and comply with the liabilities acquired with third parties, and must observe the rights of the state and local public servants.

31. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act issued on March 8, 2000 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on April 7, 2000, which makes reforms and additions to the Article 4, last paragraph, of this Constitution.

First Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

32. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act issued on August 23, 2000 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on September 21, 2000, which reforms, adds and repeals several provisions of the Article 20 of this Constitution.

First Article.- This decree shall come into force six months after its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second Article.- Until the pertinent statutory laws are enacted, current legal provisions shall remain in force, provided that they do not oppose this Reform Act.
33. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act issued on August 23, 2000 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on September 21, 2000, which reforms the section XXV of the Article 73 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

**Only Article.**- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

34. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act issued on July 18, 2001 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on August 14, 2001, which adds the second and third paragraphs of the Article 1; reforms the Article 2; repeals the first paragraph of the Article 4; adds the sixth paragraph to the Article 18; and adds the last paragraph of the third section of the Article 115 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

**First Article.**- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

**Second Article.**- Once these reforms come into force, the Congress of the Union and the state legislatures shall reform the federal laws and state constitutions to comply with the provisions established in this decree.

**Third Article.** While defining the uninominal electoral districts, location of indigenous communities must be taken into account, where feasible, in order to encourage their political participation.

**Fourth Article.**- The President of the Republic shall order translation of the reasons and regulations of this decree to the several indigenous languages, as well as their spread among indigenous communities.

35. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act issued on June 13, 2002 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on June 14, 2002, which modifies the name of the
Title Four and adds a second paragraph to the Article 113 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

**Only Article.** This decree shall come into force on January 1 of the second year following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

The federal, state and local governments will have the period between publication of this Reform Act and its enforcement to make the modifications and enact the laws necessary to assure compliance with it, as well as to include in their budgets the respective item in order to deal with their property liabilities.

Approval of the constitutional reform implies modifications to the federal and local secondary legal provisions in accordance with the following criteria:

a) Related to compensations, the appropriate procedures must be followed first in order to determine whether the private individual is entitled to such compensation.

b) Payment of compensation is subject to the budget available in that year.

The federal, state and local governments will have the period between publication of this Reform Act and its enforcement to make the modifications and enact the laws necessary to assure compliance with it. Such period shall be longer than one year, but less than two years, according to the date of publication and date of enforcement.

36. **TRANSITORY ARTICLES** of the Reform Act issued on May 15, 2002 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on November 12, 2002, which adds the sections III, V and VI to the Article 3 and the section I to the Article 31 of this Constitution.

**First Article.** This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.
Second Article.- The Federal Department of Education must create technical and advisory commissions, together with other education authorities in the country, in order to standardize educational, curriculum and labor structure of the three educational levels and create a single level of basic education.

Third Article.- The Federal Department of Education must create technical and advisory commissions, together with other education authorities in the country, in order to review the plans, syllabus and materials for the courses and create the new syllabus for the compulsory preschool education applicable throughout the country; as well as to train teaching and managerial staff.

Fourth Article.- In order to encourage quality in preschool education, the Department of Education must make the necessary arrangements to comply with the Article 2 of the Statutory Law of the Article 5 of this Constitution: In order to teach preschool education, the teacher must have a degree, without damaging the rights of the current preschool teachers.

Fifth Article.- Preschool education shall be compulsory according to the following terms: third class, starting from the 2004-2005 cycle; second class, starting from 2005-2006 cycle; first class, starting from 2008-2009 cycle. Mexican State shall standardize a quality preschool education in the whole country.

Sixth Article.- Budgets of the federal, state, local and Federal District governments shall include the resources necessary to carry out: a) construction, extension and provision of the enough infrastructure to cover the three cycles of preschool education; b) training programs for the teaching staff; c) provision of study material for free for teachers and pupils. Regarding remote rural communities, where it is not possible to build infrastructure for provision of preschool education, the Federal Department of Education, together with the local education authorities, shall implement special programs and resolutions in order to assure that pupils will have access to the elementary school.

Seventh Article.- State governments and the Federal District Government shall make and execute covenants with the Federal Government in order to comply with the provision about compulsory preschool education.
Eighth Article.- Once this Reform Act comes into force, the National Education Act and the other applicable provisions shall be reformed and added.

37. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act issued on May 21, 2003 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on September 29, 2003, which adds the section XXIX-K to the Article 73 of this Constitution.

Only Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

38. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act issued on August 13, 2003 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on October 29, 2003, which reforms the first paragraph of the Article 63 and the section IV of the Article 77 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

Only Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

39. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act issued on March 18, 2004 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on April 5, 2004, which adds the section XXIX-M to the Article 73 and amends section VI of the Article 89 of this Constitution.

Only Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

40. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act issued on June 2, 2004 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on July 22, 2004, which reforms the second transitory article of the Articles 30, 32 and 37 of this Constitution, published on March 20, 1997.
**Only Article.**- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

**41. TRANSITORY ARTICLE** of the Reform Act issued on July 7, 2004 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on July 30, 2004, which reforms the section IV of the Article 74 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

**Only Article.**- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

**42. TRANSITORY ARTICLES** of the Reform Act issued on June 30, 2004 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on August 2, 2004, which reforms the first paragraph of the Article 65 of this Constitution

**First Article.**- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

**Second Article.**- Once this decree comes into force, the Organic Law of the Congress of the Union and the other applicable provisions must be reformed and added.

**43. TRANSITORY ARTICLE** of the Reform Act issued on July 28, 2004 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on September 27, 2004, which adds the section XXIX-L to the Article 73 of this Constitution.

**Only Article.**- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

**44. TRANSITORY ARTICLE** of the Reform Act issued on May 4, 2005 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on June 20, 2005, which adds text to the Article 21 of this Constitution.
Only Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

45. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act issued on November 8, 2005 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on November 28, 2005, which adds the third paragraph to the section XXI of the Article 73 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

Only Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

46. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act issued on November 3, 2005 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on December 8, 2005, which reforms the only paragraph of the Article 46 and adds the second and third paragraphs to it; repeals the section IV of the Article 73; adds sections X and XI to the Article 76, therefore section X has been moved to become section XII; and reforms the section I of the Article 105, all belonging to the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

First Article.- This reform shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second Article.- In the first ordinary period of sessions after enforcement of this decree, the Senate shall create the Commission for State Borders, which creation and operation shall be carried out in accord with the statutory law enacted for this purpose, the Organic Law of the Congress of the Union and the internal regulation.

Third Article.- Conflicts between states about their borders, that have been submitted to the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation before this Reform Act comes into force, shall be sent immediately to the Senate, which shall pronounce a definitive resolution through a decree.
47. **TRANSITORY ARTICLE** of the Reform Act issued on November 8, 2005 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on December 9, 2005, which reforms the Articles 14, second paragraph, and 22, first paragraph; and repeals the fourth paragraph of the Article 22 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

**Only Article.**- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

48. **TRANSITORY ARTICLES** of the Reform Act issued on November 8, 2005 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on December 12, 2005, which reforms the Article 18 of this Constitution as follows: amends the fourth paragraph, adds the fifth and sixth paragraphs, and the last two paragraphs are moved ahead.

**First Article.**- This decree shall come into force three months after its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

**Second Article.**- The states and the Federal District will have a six months term after enforcement of this decree to create the laws, institutions and organs necessary for implementation of this decree.

*(Added through a decree published on August 14, 2009)*

Federal Government will have one-year term after enforcement of this decree to enact the laws and create the institutions and organs necessary to implement, in the federal field, a complete system of justice for teenagers.

*(Added through a decree published on August 14, 2009)*

**Third Article.**- Affairs that are in process when the new laws come into force and the new institutions and organs are opened, shall be resolved according to the laws in force when they have been initiated. Once the new system comes into force, pending affairs shall be submitted to the responsible authority for resolution.
49. **TRANSITORY ARTICLES** of the Reform Act issued on March 16, 2006 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on April 7, 2006, which reforms the Articles 26 and 73, section XXIX-D, of this Constitution.

**First Article.**- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

**Second Article.**- Until the law mentioned in part “B” of the Article 26 of this Constitution is enacted, the current law on statistical and geographical information and the other applicable legal and administrative provisions shall remain in force. Also, the appointments, powers, mandates and all the assignments and attributes conferred to the public servants serving in the National Institute of Statistics and Geography shall survive.

**Third Article.**- Upon enforcement of the part “B” of the Article 26 of this Constitution, all the financial, material and human resources belonging to the National Institute of Statistics and Geography shall be transferred to the organ created according to this decree. The part “B” of the Article 123 of this Constitution shall continue governing labor relationships in the new organ. The labor rights of the employees who were working in the National Institute of Statistics and Geography and start serving in the new organ will not be affected.

**Fourth Article.**- According to the law, the budget granted to the new organ must guarantee the free management, non transferring and proficiency of the public resources in order to carry out the plans and programs created under the Article 26 of this Constitution.

**Fifth Article.**- Pending affairs shall be transferred to the new organ, created under this decree.

**Sixth Article.**- The Congress of the Union shall enact the law mentioned in the part “B” of the Article 26 of this Constitution within the 180 calendar days after enforcement of this Reform Act.

**Seventh Article.**- All provisions that oppose to this decree are hereby repealed.
50. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act issued on August 23, 2006 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on September 14, 2006, which adds the paragraph “g” to the section II of the Article 105 of this Constitution.

**Only Article.** This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

50. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act issued on November 21, 2006 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on December 4, 2006, which reforms the Article 73, section XXIX-H of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

**First Article.** This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

**Second Article.** The law that regulates administrative liabilities of the public servants shall continue governing until its modification.

52. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act issued on November 21, 2006 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on December 4, 2006, which reforms the Article 1, third paragraph, of this Constitution.

**Only Article.** This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

53. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act issued on January 17, 2007 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on February 12, 2007, which reforms the Article 76, section I, and the Article 89, section X, of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.
Only Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

54. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act issued on May 9, 2007 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on June 19, 2007, which reforms the section VI of the Article 82 of this Constitution.

Only Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

55. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act issued on May 9, 2007 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on June 19, 2007, which reforms the section V of the Article 55 of this Constitution.

Only Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

56. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act issued on May 9, 2007 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on July 20, 2007, which reforms the section X of the Article 73 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

First Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second Article.- All legal provisions that oppose to this Reform Act are hereby repealed, without prejudice to the norms issued by the state governments on accident prevention, public security and civil protection, provided that such norm observe the applicable law.
57. **TRANSITORY ARTICLES** of the Reform Act issued on June 13, 2007 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on July 20, 2007, which adds the second paragraph, with seven sections, to the Article 6 of this Constitution.

**First Article.** - This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

**Second Article.** - Federal, state and local governments must enact laws that guarantee right to information and transparency, or reform the existing laws, at the latest one year after enforcement of this decree.

**Third Article.** - Federal, state and local governments must have electronic systems to make information available for anybody at remote places two years after enforcement of this decree at the latest. Local laws shall implement the measures necessary to assure that municipalities having more than 70,000 inhabitants and the Federal District suburbs have their own electronic systems in the same term.

58. **TRANSITORY ARTICLES** of the Reform Act issued on May 9, 2007 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on August 2, 2007, which reforms the Articles 29, 73, 90, 92, 93, 95, 110 and 111 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

**First Article.** - This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

**Second Article.** - The Congress of the Union shall modify the federal laws to adapt them to the provisions stated in this Reform Act. The states and the Federal District shall modify their laws to adapt them to the provisions established in this decree at the latest six months after its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

59. **TRANSITORY ARTICLES** of the Reform Act issued on June 13, 2007 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on August 15, 2007, which adds the section XXIX-N of the Article 73 of this Constitution.
First Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second Article.- All provisions that oppose this Reform Act are hereby repealed.

60. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act issued on May 9, 2007 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on September 27, 2007, which reforms section IV of the Article 99 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

Only Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

61. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act issued on November 6, 2007 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on November 13, 2007, which reforms the first paragraph of the Article 6; makes reforms and additions to the Articles 41 and 99; amends the first paragraph of the Article 85; reforms the first paragraph of the Article 108; amends and adds the section IV of the Article 116; reforms the Article 122, First Base, section V, paragraph “F”; adds the three last paragraphs to the Article 134; and repeals the third paragraph of the Article 97, all belonging to the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

First Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second Article.- Only for this time, the Federal Electoral Institute must fix an expenditure ceiling amount for the presidential campaign in 2008, with the purpose to fix a limit to the annual private contributions to the parties.

Third Article.- The Congress of the Union must adapt the federal laws within a 30 calendar days term after enactment of this decree.
Fourth Article.- In order to comply with the Article 41, Fifth Base, third paragraph, of this Constitution, the House of Representatives must create the General Council of the Federal Electoral Institute within a 30 calendar days term after enforcement of this decree and according to the following bases:

a) The House of Representatives shall appoint a new President Councilor, who shall hold office until October 30, 2013. This President Councilor may be reelected once only in accordance with the third paragraph of the Article 41 of this Constitution.

b) The House of Representatives must appoint two new electoral councilors, who shall hold office until October 30, 2016.

c) Among the current eight electoral councilors, the House of Representatives must select three councilors, who shall hold office until August 15, 2008, and three councilors, who shall hold office until October 30, 2010.

d) Before August 15, the House of Representatives must appoint three new electoral councilors, who shall hold office on October 30, 2013.

Until the House of Representatives makes these appointments, the current President Councilor and the current electoral councilors shall continue in office. The appointment of substitute councilors established in the Reform Act published on October 31, 2003 in the Official Gazette of the Federation is hereby cancelled.

Fifth Article.- The Organic Law of the Federal Judiciary shall govern the staggered renovation of electoral magistrates for the High Court and the regional courts of the Electoral Court of the Judicial Power of the Mexican Federation.

Sixth Article.- State legislatures and the Federal District Assembly of Representatives shall have one-year term to adapt their laws to the provisions established in this decree. If
applicable, they must observe the provisions of the Article 105, section II, fourth paragraph of this Constitution.

The states that are carrying out electoral processes or are to begin them while this decree is been enforced, shall perform elections according to their current electoral laws. However, after completion of the electoral process, they must modify their electoral laws in the term indicated in the previous paragraph, starting from the day following conclusion of the electoral process.

Seventh Article.- All provisions that oppose this decree are hereby repealed.

62. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act issued on February 19, 2008 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on May 7, 2008, which reforms the Article 74, section IV, first and eight paragraphs; reforms the Article 79, sections I and II, and fifth paragraph; amends Article 122, part “C”, First Base, section V, letter “c” first paragraph, and letter “e”; reforms the Article 134, first and fourth paragraphs; adds the section XXVIII to the Article 73; adds the section VI to the Article 74; adds the second paragraph to the Article 79, so the second to sixth paragraphs have been moved to the third to seventh positions, respectively, and adds the second paragraph to the section IV; adds the fourth and fifth paragraphs to the section II of the Article 116; adds the third paragraph to the letter “c”, section V, First Base, part C of the Article 122; adds the second paragraph to the Article 134, so that the second to the eighth paragraphs have been moved to the third to ninth positions, respectively; and repeals the fifth, sixth and seventh paragraphs of the section IV of the Article 74, so that the eighth paragraph has been moved to the fifth position, all these articles belonging to the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

First Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation, except for that established in the third transitory article below.

Second Article.- The Congress of the Union, the state legislatures and the Federal District Assembly of Representatives shall have one-year term to enact the laws and issue the reform acts necessary to comply with this decree, starting from its enforcement date, except for that established in the Article 74, section IV, of this Constitution.
Third Article.- The dates established for submission of the public accounts and the revision reports shall come into force starting from the 2008 public account.

Fourth Article.- Public accounts corresponding to years before 2008, shall be subject to the following provisions:

I. Within the 180 calendar days after enforcement of this decree, the House of Representatives must conclude revision of the public accounts corresponding to the years 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005.

II. Public accounts corresponding to the years 2006 and 2007, shall be reviewed in accordance with the provisions in force before this decree.

III. The House of Representatives must conclude revision of the 2006 public account during 2008.

IV. 2007 public account must be submitted at the latest on May 15, 2008. The revision report must be presented on March 15, 2009 at the latest, and revision must end during 2009.

February 19, 2008.- Senator Santiago Creel Miranda, speaker; congresswoman Ruth Zavaleta Salgado, speaker; senator Gabino Cue Monteagudo, secretary; congresswoman Esmeralda Cardenas Sanchez, secretary. Signatures.

63. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act issued on May 28, 2008 and published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on June 18, 2008, which reforms the Articles 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22; reforms sections XXI and XXIII of the Article 73; amends section VII of the Article 115; and amends the Article 123, part B, section XIII, of this Constitution.
First Article. - This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation, except for that established in the following transitory articles.

Second Article. - The new adversarial criminal justice system, established by the Article 16, second to thirteenth paragraphs; the Article 17, third, fourth and sixth paragraphs; the Articles 19 and 20; and the Article 21, seventh paragraph, of this Constitution, shall come into force on the date established by the respective secondary legislation, without exceeding an eight years term after publication of this decree.

Therefore, the federal government, the state governments and the Federal District Government must issue and implement the necessary modifications and provisions to incorporate the new adversarial criminal justice system. The federal government, the state governments and the Federal District Government can choose the type of adversarial criminal justice system: regional or by type of crime.

Once the legal provisions mentioned in the previous paragraph have been published, the respective legislative organ must issue a declaration, through the official media, stating that the adversarial criminal justice system has been incorporated and, as a consequence, the fundamental rights granted by this Constitution shall govern the criminal proceedings.

Third Article. - The new adversarial criminal justice system shall come into force on the day following publication of this decree in the Official Gazette of the Federation in the states where it was already incorporated to the laws. The proceedings carried out according to this laws shall be fully valid, regardless the filing date. However, the states must issue the declaration mentioned in the second transitory article.

Fourth Article. - Criminal proceedings initiated before the new adversarial criminal justice system, established in Articles 16, second and thirteenth paragraph; 17, third, fourth and sixth paragraph; 19; 20 and 21, seventh paragraph of the present Constitution shall be concluded in accordance with the provisions in force before such system.

Fifth Article. - The new rehabilitation system mentioned in the second paragraph of the Article 18, as well as modifications made to penalties in the third paragraph of the Article
21, shall come into force on the date indicated in the respective secondary legislation, without exceeding a three years term after publication of this reform act.

**Sixth Article.** State laws on organized crime shall remain in force until the Congress of the Union exercises the power conferred to it in the Article 73, section XXI, of this Constitution. Criminal proceedings initiated according to the previous state laws and the sentences pronounced basing on them will not be affected when the new federal laws come into force. Therefore, such proceedings must be concluded and sentences must be enforced in accord with the previous state laws.

**Seventh Article.** The Congress of the Union shall enact a law to create the National System of Public Security within the six months after publication of this decree. The state legislatures shall enact the laws on this matter within one-year term after enforcement of this decree.

**Eight Article.** The Congress of the Union, the state legislatures, and the Federal District Assembly of Representatives shall set the necessary resources aside for the reform of the criminal justice system. This item must be included in the budget for the next year after enforcement of this Reform Act, as well as in the successive budgets. These resources shall be used for design of legal reforms, organizational changes, construction and operation of infrastructure and training for judges, public prosecutors, police officers, counsels, legal experts and lawyers.

**Ninth Article.** Within the two months after enforcement of this decree, it shall be created a coordinating body, which must include representatives of the executive branch, the legislative branch, the judicial branch, the academic sector, the civil society, the public security conferences, the courts and presidents of the courts. This coordinating body shall have a technical department, which shall attend the local and federal authorities.

**Tenth Article.** The Federal Government must create a special fund to finance the activities of the technical department mentioned in the previous article. Resources shall be granted according to the fulfillment of objectives and responsibilities.
**Eleventh Article.** Until the new adversarial criminal justice system comes into force, the agents of the Public Prosecution System can request the judge the house arrest of the suspect in the case of serious crimes for up to 40 days.

This measure applies only when necessary for the success of the investigation, the protection of persons or legal properties, or when there is a justified risk of escape.


**64. TRANSITORY ARTICLES** of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on August 15, 2008, which reforms the first paragraph of the Article 69 and adds a second paragraph to it; amends the second paragraph of the Article 93 and adds the fourth and fifth paragraphs to it, both articles belonging to the Political Constitution of the United States.

**First Article.** This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

**Second Article.** All provisions opposing this decree are hereby repealed.


**65. TRANSITORY ARTICLE** of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on August 29, 2008, which reforms the Article 88 of this Constitution.

**Only Article.** This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.
66. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on September 26, 2008, which reforms the Article 116, section I, fifth paragraph, of this Constitution.

First Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second Article.- State legislatures must modify the state constitutions and the secondary laws within the 30 calendar days after enforcement of this Reform Act.

67. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on April 30, 2009, which adds the ninth paragraph to the Article 4; reforms the section XXV of the Article 73 and adds the section XXIX-Ñ to it, both articles belonging to the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

First Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second Article.- All the legal acts issued according to the previous laws and to the Federal Copyright Law in force will remain valid, including registration of works and contracts, copyrights, resolutions of proceedings, as well as legal acts made and executed between private parties, like agreements, covenants, wills, etc.
68. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on April 30, 2009, which adds the section XXIX-O to the Article 73 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

First Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second Article.- Once this Reform Act comes into force, the Congress of the Union must enact the law on this matter within a 12 months term.

Third Article.- The laws on personal data managed by private parties enacted by the state legislatures shall remain in force until the Congress of the Union enacts the respective law on the power conferred hereby.

March 24, 2009.- Senator Gustavo E. Madero Muñoz, speaker; congressman Cesar Horacio Duarte Jaquez, speaker; senator Gabino Cue Monteagudo, secretary; congressman Manuel Portilla Dieguez, secretary.- Signatures.

69. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on May 4, 2009, which reforms the first paragraph of the section XXI of the Article 73 of this Constitution.

First Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.
Second Article.- State laws on kidnapping shall remain in force until the Congress of the Union exercises the power conferred to it by the Article 73, section XXI, of this Constitution. Criminal proceedings initiated according to the previous state laws and the sentences pronounced basing on them will not be affected when the new federal laws come into force. Therefore, such proceedings must be concluded and sentences must be enforced in accord with the previous state laws.


70. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on June 1, 2009, which adds a second paragraph to the Article 16 of this Constitution, so that the rest of paragraphs have been moved ahead.

Only Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.


71. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on August 14, 2009, which adds a second paragraph to the second transitory article and adds a third transitory article to the Reform Act published on December 12, 2005 in the Official Gazette of the Federation, which amends the fourth paragraph of the Article 18 of this Constitution and adds the fifth and sixth paragraphs to it, so that the last two paragraphs of such article are moved ahead.

Only Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.
72. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on August 24, 2009, which reforms the Article 115, section IV, letter “c”, fourth paragraph; amends the Article 122, First Base, section V, letter “b”, first paragraph; reforms the Article 123, part B, section IV, first paragraph; amends the Article 127; and adds the second and third paragraphs to the Article 75; adds the fourth and fifth paragraphs to the section II of the Article 116, so that the fourth and fifth paragraphs have been moved ahead; adds a second paragraph to the letter “b” of section V, First Base, of the Article 122, so that the second to fifth paragraphs have been moved ahead, all these articles belonging to the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

First Article.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation. Provisions which contravene this decree are hereby repealed.

Second Article.- Remunerations that exceed the maximum remuneration established in this decree must be adjusted or decreased in the next expenditure budget.

Third Article.- Starting from the fiscal year following that one where this decree has come into force, remunerations of the ministers of the Supreme Court of Justice, the magistrates of the Electoral Court, the circuit magistrates, the district judges, the councilors of the Federal Judicial Council, the members of the General Council of the Federal Electoral Institute, and the state magistrates and judges shall be subject to the following provisions:

a) Salaries exceeding the ceiling amount established in the base II of the Article 127 of this Constitution shall remain without changes until the end of the term.

b) Additional remunerations, such as bonuses, rewards, incentives, commissions, compensations and any other remuneration in cash or in kind, may be kept by the public servant only when the total remuneration does not exceed the ceiling amount established in the base II of the Article 127 of this Constitution.
c) Increases to the salary or to the additional remunerations may be done only when the total remuneration does not exceed the ceiling amount mentioned before.

**Fourth Article.** The Congress of the Union, the state legislatures and the Federal District Assembly of Representatives shall have a period of 180 calendar days after enforcement of this decree in order to enact or modify the laws to comply with the provisions established in this decree.

**Fifth Article.** Within the 180 calendar days after enforcement of this decree, the Congress of the Union, the state legislatures and the Federal District Assembly of Representatives must classify and punish, through criminal and administrative proceedings, public servants’ misconducts directed to evade the provisions established in this decree.


73. **TRANSITORY ARTICLE** of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on April 27, 2010, which reforms the Article 122 of this Constitution, part “C”, Fourth Base, section II.

**Only Article.** This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.


74. **TRANSITORY ARTICLE** of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on July 29, 2010, which adds a third paragraph to the Article 17 of this Constitution and moves the order of the following ones.
Only Article.- A third paragraph is added to the Article 17 of this Constitution and moves the order of the next ones, as it follows:

First Article.- This amendment will come into force the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second Article.- The Congress of the Union shall modify the corresponding laws within a one-year period from this amendment coming into effect.


75. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the DECREE published in the Official Gazette of the Federation the 13th day of April 2011, which reforms the article 43 of the Mexican Constitution.

Only article. This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

22th day of February 2011.- Deputy Jorge Carlos Ramirez Marin, chairman.- Senator Manlio Fabio Beltrones Rivera, chairman.- Deputy Carlos Samuel Moreno Teran, secretary.- Senator Martha Leticia Sosa Govea, Secretary.- Signatures.

76. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the DECREE published in the Official Gazette of the Federation the 6th day of June 2011, which reforms the article 94 of the Mexican Constitution in the following way: a) amending paragraph currently located in eight place; b) paragraphs currently located in seventh and ninth places were added. In addition, the articles 103 and 104 were reformed. The following parts of the article 107 were reformed: first paragraph; sections I and II; subdivision (a) of section III; sections IV, V, VI, and VII; subdivision (a) of section VIII; sections IX, X, XI, XIII, XVI and XVII; and section XIV was repealed.

First Article.- This decree shall come into force 120 days after publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.
Second Article.- The Congress shall enact the appropriate legal reforms within 120 days of the date of publication of this decree.

Third Article.- The constitutional adjudications filed before the date this decree comes into force shall continue to be processed until final ruling and enforcement according to the applicable provisions that were in force on the date such constitutional adjudications were filed, except for the provisions that regulate discontinuation due to inactivity in the proceeding or discontinuance.

Fourth Article.- For the integration of case law by repetition, the theses approved on the basis of provisions that were in force before this decree comes into force should not be taken into account.

4th day of May 2011.- Senator Manlio Fabio Beltrones Rivera, chairman.- Deputy Juan Carlos López Fernández, Secretary.- Signatures.

77. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the DECREE published in the Official Gazette of the Federation the 10th day of June 2011. This decree modifies the name of the Chapter One of the Title One of the Mexican Constitution; as well as the first and fifth paragraphs of the article1; the second paragraph of the article 3; the first paragraph of the article 11; the article 15; the second paragraph of the article 18; the first paragraph of the article 29; the first paragraph of the article 33; the section X of the article 89; the second paragraph of the article 97; the second and third paragraphs of the part B of the article 102; and the subdivision (g) of the section II of the article 105 of the Mexican Constitution. This decree also adds two new paragraphs (second and third) to the article 1, moving forward the rest of paragraphs; as well as a new paragraph (second) to the article 11; the second, third, fourth and fifth paragraphs to the article 29; the second paragraph to the article 33, moving forward the previous second paragraph; and the fifth, eighth and eleventh paragraphs to the article 102, part B, of the Mexican Constitution.

First Article.- This decree shall come into force the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second Article.- The law mentioned in the third paragraph of the article 1 of the Mexican Constitution, regarding redress, should be enacted within one year of the date this decree comes into force.

Third Article.- The law mentioned in the article 11 of the Mexican Constitution, regarding asylum, should be enacted within one year of the date this decree comes into force.

Fourth Article.- The Congress of the Union shall enact the statutory law of the article 29 of the Mexican Constitution, regarding suspension of constitutional rights, within one year of the date this decree comes into force.
**Fifth Article.** - The Congress of the Union shall enact the statutory law of the article 33 of the Mexican Constitution, regarding expulsion of foreigners, within one year of the date this decree comes into force. Meanwhile, the article 33 will be applied according to the current text.

**Sixth Article.** - The trials mentioned in the second paragraph of the article 97 of the Mexican Constitution, filed before this reform comes into force, shall be processed by the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation until the sentence is pronounced.

**Seventh Article.** - Regarding the part B of the article 102 of the Mexican Constitution, as well as the autonomy of local bodies which protect the human rights, the local congresses shall carry out the necessary modifications within one year of the date this decree comes into force.

**Eighth Article.** - The Congress of the Union shall adapt the Law of the National Human Rights Commission within one year of the date this decree comes into force.

**Ninth Article.** - Any provision which contravenes this decree is hereby repealed.

1st day of June 2011.- Senator Manlio Fabio Beltrones Rivera, President.- Deputy Julio Castellanos Ramírez, Secretary.- Signatures.

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78. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the DECREE published in the Official Gazette of the Federation the 14th day of July 2011, which reforms the articles 19, second paragraph; 20, part C, section V; and 73, section XXI, first paragraph, of the Mexican Constitution.

**First article.** - This decree shall come into force the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

**Second article.** - The Mexican Congress shall enact the Law to Prevent and Punish Trafficking in Persons within 180 days of the date in which this decree comes into force.

June 29, 2011.- Senator Manlio Fabio Beltrones Rivera, President.- Deputy Arturo Zamora Jiménez, Secretary.- Signatures.

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79. TRANSITORY ARTICLES Updated by the reforms made to the articles 71, 72 and 78, published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on August 17, 2011.

**SINGLE ARTICLE.** - This decree shall come into force on the day after its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

80. PROVISIONAL ARTICLE from the DECREE published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Wednesday, October 12th, 2011, whereby paragraphs six and seven of article 4 are amended and section XXIX-P is added to article 73, from the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

Sole.- This Decree shall be go into effect the day after its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.


81. PROVISIONAL ARTICLES from the DECREE published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Wednesday, October 12th, 2011, whereby a tenth paragraph is added to article 4 and section XXIX-J in article 73 is amended, from the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

First. This Decree shall be go into effect the day after its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second. Within a year as of the publication of this Decree, Congress will emit a general regulatory law from article four of the constitution regarding physical culture and sport (sic)


82. PROVISIONAL ARTICLE from the DECREE published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Thursday, October 13th, 2011, whereby a third paragraph is added to article 4, shifting the order of the following paragraphs, and a second paragraph is added to section XX of article 27, both of these from the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.
Sole.- This Decree shall be go into effect the day after its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.


83. TRANSITORY ARTICLES from the DECREE published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Wednesday February 8th, 2012, through which the fifth paragraph is amended and a sixth paragraph is added moving the subsequent order of article 4th of the Political Constitution of the Mexican United States.

First.- This Decree will come into force the day after publication on the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second.- The Congress of the Union will have a 180-day period to incorporate the provisions related to the right to a healthy environment and the liabilities for the environmental damage and deterioration.

Third.- The Congress of the Union will have a 360 days period to issue a General Law of Waters.


84. TRANSITORY ARTICLES from the DECREE published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Thursday February 9th, 2012, through which the first paragraph is amended; item c) section II and section V of article 3rd, and section I of article 31, all from the Political Constitution of the Mexican United States.

First. This Decree will come into force the day after publication on the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second. The obligation of the State to guarantee the middle and high education, offering a place to attend for anyone on the common age who had completed the basic education, will be gradually and growingly performed as of the 2012-2013 school year and until achieving a complete coverage on the different modalities in the country, the latest on the 2021-2022 school year, with the budgetary coincidence of the Federation and federative entities, and under the terms set on the instruments of the Democratic Development Planning of the National System and the State Systems.
Third. In order to fulfill the obligation principle, the federal budget, as well as the budget of the federative entities and municipalities will include the necessary resources; likewise, the mechanism to drive the implementation of multi-year budgets that will ensure in the long term the economic growing resources for the infrastructure of the middle and high education will be set.

Fourth. Within the 180 days after this Decree comes into effect, the Congress of the Union and the legislature of the states should adequate in the environment of their respective competences, the General Education Law and other applicable legal provisions on the matter.


First. This Decree will become effective as of the day after publication on the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second. The Congress of the Union should perform the reforms to the secondary laws corresponding to a maximum term of up to six months, starting from the day after this Decree comes into force.

Third. Federal authorities should perform the authority to assert jurisdiction mentioned in this Decree, after the reforms of the secondary law come into force, according to the purposed issued by the Honorable Congress of the Union.

Mexico, City, June 6, 201.- Sen. José González Morfín, President.- Rep. Gloria Romero León, Secretary.- Signatures.

86. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the DECREE published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Thursday August 9, 2012, by which the following are amended: the first paragraph and section II of article 35; section III of article 36; second paragraph of article 71; section XXVI of article 73; the fourth paragraph of section VI of article 74; section II of article 76; sections IV, VI and VII of articles 78; article 83; the first, second and third paragraphs (which become the fourth and fifth) of article 84; first, second and third paragraphs of article 85; sections II, III and IV of article 89; and section III of the First Base of Subparagraph C of article 122; the following are added: section VI, VII and VIII of article 35; section IV and a third and fourth paragraphs of article 71; a fraction XXIX-Q of
article 73; second and third paragraph moving in a subsequent order and the last paragraph of article 84; a second and a third paragraph of article 87; an eighth paragraph to section II of article 116; subparagraph o), moving in a subsequent order to fraction V of the First Base of the Subparagraph C of article 122, of the Constitution of the United Mexican States.

First Article. This Decree will become effective the day after published in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second Article(sic). The Congress of the Union shall issue a new legislation to enforce the provision of this Decree, no later than a year starting (sic) after the entry into force of the article.

Third Article. The State Congress and the Legislative Assembly of the Federal District should perform the necessary adjustments to their secondary legislation, from this Decree in a one-year period, not longer, starting from entering into force.

Fourth Article. Provisions contrary to this Decree are revoked.


87. TRANSITORY ARTICLE from DECREE published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Monday October 15, 2012, thus first paragraph is amended, a second paragraph is added, and the two last paragraphs of article 46 are taken out; section XI of article 76 is repealed; and section I of article 105 is amended, all from the Political Constitution of the Mexican United States.

Single. This amendment will become effective the day after published in the Official Gazette of the Federation, and all regulatory provisions that violate this decree are repealed.


88. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the DECREE published on the Official Gazette of the Federation on Friday, November 30, 2012, which amends Article 40 of the Political Constitution of the Mexican United States.

Single.- This Decree will come into effect the day after published in the Official Gazette of the Federation.
Mexico, City, November 8, 2012.- Sen. Ernesto Javier Cordero Arroyo, President.-

89. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of DECEE published in the Official Gazette of the
Federation on Tuesday February 26, 2013, by which the following are amended: articles
3rd., section III, VII and VIII, and 73, section XXV; and a third paragraph is added,
subsection d) to the second paragraph of section II and a section IX, to article 3rd., of
Political Constitution of the Mexican United States.

First. This Decree will become effective the day after published in the Official Gazette of
the Federation.

Second. The Federal Executive will subject the House of Representatives to a three
candidates lists to appoint the members of the Governing Board of the National Institute for
Education Evaluation, in an up to sixty natural days term as of the publication of this
Decree in the Official Gazette of the Federation. The latter should fall into people with the
ability and experience in the Institute’s competence matters.

In order to ensure the staggered renewal of the members, the first appointments will be on
the following periods:

I. Two appointments for a five years period;

II. Two appointments for a six years period, and

III. One appointment for a seven years period.

The Federal Executive should determine the period that corresponds to each member when
submitting appointment for approval by the House of Senators.

For the First Assembly of the Governing Board of the Institute, the Federal Executive will
submit the approval for approval by the House of Senators five three persons list to appoint
five members of the Board. The submittal of the lists in the future will correspond to the
staggered renewal specified at the second paragraph of this article.

The first Chairman of the Governing Board of the Institute will be in office for four years.

Third. The Congress of the Union should issue the Law of the National Institute for
Evaluation of Education, as well as reforms to the corresponding General Law of
Education, on a six months term the latest as of the date of publication of this Decree.

While the Congress of the Union issues the Law of the National Institute for Evaluation of
Education, the National Institute created by this decree will exercise its powers and
jurisdictions according to the Decree reforming the other creating the National Institute for Evaluation of Education published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on May 16, 2012, not contrary to this Decree. For such purpose, powers established in said ordinance for the Governing Body and the Technical Board, will be now exercised by the Governing Board of the Institute, and those for the Chairmanship by the Chairman of the Governing Board.

Fourth. Material and financial resources, as well as workers ascribed to the decentralized body National Institute for Evaluation of Education will become part of the Institute created under the terms of this Decree.

Fifth. For the proper fulfillment of articles 3rd and 73, section XXV, of this Constitution, the Congress of the Union and the corresponding authorities should foresee at least the following:

I. Creating an Information and Education Management System. For such effect, during 2013 the National Institute of Statistics and Geography will carry out a census of schools, teachers and students, which will allow the authority to have a single platform of data necessary for the operation of the educational system and that, at the time, allows for a direct communication among principals of schools and education authorities;

II. Using the teachers performance evaluation to provide a higher relevance and potential to the national education, updating, training and professional growth system for teachers, within the frame of creating a teaching professional service. Evaluation to teachers first purpose should be that them as well as the education system have properly based reference for reflection and dialogue leading to a better professional practice. The education system should grant the necessary support for the teachers to be able to prioritize development of their strengths and overcome their weakness, and

III. Adjustments to the legal frame to:

a) strengthen school management autonomy before the corresponding government orders with the purpose of improving their infrastructure and buying educational material, solving basic operation problems and favoring participation conditions for students, teachers and parents, under the leadership of the principal, to participate in the resolution of said challenges faced on each school.

b) Setting a gradual way and according to the budgetary capacity, full time schools with 6 to 8 hours a day, in order to take advantage of the best time available for the academic, sportive and cultural development. In the schools with the need, according to poverty, marginalization and nutritional status, efficient nutritious food supply schemes will be encouraged from local micro companies for students, and

c) Prohibit at all schools food unhealthy food for students.
To that effect, the Legislative Branch will make the necessary regulating adjustments including the elements that will allow the Federal Executive to implement such measure. The Federal Executive will implement that in a 180 natural days term starting as of the next day the standards issued, for such purpose, by the Congress of the Union come into effect.

Sixth. Provisions contrary to this Decree are revoked.


90. TRANSITORY ATICLES of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Wednesday, June 5, 2013, which reform the first and last paragraphs of article 25, as well as the first and third paragraph of section A of article 26, both from the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

First Article. This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second Article. The Federal Executive will have 16 months to initiate the pertinent statutory laws to this decree.


91. TRANSITORY ATICLES of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Tuesday, June 11, 2013, which reform the first paragraph of article 6th.; article 7th.; the sixth paragraph of article 27; the second paragraph of article 28; fraction XVII of article 73; fraction VII of article 78 and the sixth paragraph of article 94; the second, third and fourth paragraphs are included, making the current second paragraph section A of paragraph fourth, and a section B of article 6th.; paragraphs thirteenth to thirtieth of article 28, and a subparagraph I) to fraction I of article 105, all from the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States, on telecommunication matters.

First Article. This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second Article. Measures to promote competition on television, radio, telephony and data services shall apply in all segments in a way that collectively guarantee the effective competition on radiobroadcast and telecommunications.

Third Article. The Congress of the Union shall make the necessary adjustments to the legal framework according to this Decree within one hundred and eighty natural days after entering into force, and shall:
I. Establish the special criminal definitions to seriously punish monopoly practices and patterns of concentration;

II. Regulate the public body referred to in article 6, which is added in virtue of this Decree. Human, financial and material resources from the decentralized body called Promoter Body for Audiovisual Media will be transferred to this public body;

III. Establish the mechanisms to validate the system radiobroadcast for licenses and concessions, in order to have only concessions, enduring diversity of media that allow to differentiate commercial use, public, private and social concessions including the

IV. Regulate the right of reply;

V. Establish the prohibition of broadcasting misleading or surreptitious advertising;

VI. Establish mechanisms that ensure the promotion of the national independent production;

VII. Establish specific prohibitions on cross-subsidies or preferential treatment, consistent with the principles of competition, thus radio broadcast or telecommunications operators do not grant subsidies to the services they provide, by themselves or through subsidiary companies, branch offices, member companies or that belong to the same economic interest group. Every concessionaire shall set minimum rates consistent with the competition principles to broadcast advertisement that will be presented to the authority for public registration;

VIII. Establish the criteria for the Federal Telecommunications Institute to grant authorizations for access to multi-programming under the principles of competition and quality, guaranteeing the right to information and specifically addressing the national and regional concentration of frequencies, including as appropriate, the payment of the services contracted;

IX. Create an Advisory Council of the Federal Telecommunications Institute, integrated by honorary members and in charge of serving as an advisor body for the observance of the principles established in articles 6th and 7th of the Constitution, and

X. Approve laws, reforms and inclusions that result from this Decree.

Fourth Article. Within the same period of time referred to in the previous article, the Congress of the Union shall issue a single legal system that regulates in a convergent way the use, operation and exploitation of the radio frequency, telecommunication networks, as well as the provision of radio broadcast and telecommunication services.
The law shall establish that concessions will be unique, in a way that concessionaires may provide any type of services throughout their networks, as long as they meet the obligations and considerations imposed by the Federal Telecommunications Institute, and where applicable, the corresponding considerations.

The Federal Telecommunications Institute, after deciding that concessionaires have the character of a leading economic agent under the terms of fraction II of transitory article Eight of this Decree, shall establish within the next sixty natural days, through general guidelines, the requirements, terms and conditions that current radio broadcast, telecommunications and telephony concessionaires should meet to be authorized for the provision of additional services object of their concession or to move to the unique concession model, as long as they comply with the obligations provided in the laws and titles of concession. The authorization referred to in this title may be granted to leading economic agents only when complying with the measures imposed according to fractions III and IV of Transitory article eight of this Decree. The Institute shall resolve the admissibility or inadmissibility of the authorizations referred to in this paragraph within the next sixty natural days after submittal of the respective applications and, in the first case, determine the corresponding considerations.

Fifth Article. When this Decree goes into force, direct foreign investment will be allowed one hundred percent in telecommunications and satellite communications.

A direct foreign investment will be allowed in radio broadcast for up to forty-nine percent. Reciprocity in the country where the investor or the direct or indirect controlling economic agent is incorporated will be within this utmost foreign investment.

The digital terrestrial transition will end on December 31, 2015. The Branches of the Union will be obliged to promote, within their competences, the implementation of receiving and decode equipment necessary for adopting this government policy while guaranteeing that budget resources are necessary. Concessionaires and license holders will be obliged to return, as soon as the terrestrial digital television transition process ends, the frequencies originally given in concession by the State in order to guarantee the efficient use of the radio frequency, the competition and the best use of the 700 MHz band.

Sixth Article. With the purpose of ensuring staggering in the position of Commissioners of the Federal Economic Competition Commission and the Federal Telecommunications Institute, the first Commissioners appointed on each of these bodies will end office on the last day of February of 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022.

The Federal Executive shall state the respective period when submitting appointments for ratification by the Senate of the Republic.
For the appointment of the first Commissioners, the Federal Economic Competition Commission and the Federal Telecommunications Institute shall observe the following:

I. The Evaluation Committee referred to in article 28 of the Constitution shall send the Federal Executive the list of the respective aspirants within the next sixty natural days after the entry into force of this Decree;

II. After receiving the lists, the Federal Executive shall turn its proposals to the Senate of the Republic within the next ten natural days;

III. The Senate, after sitting, will have ten natural days to resolve the proposal, and

IV. In case that in one same vacancy the Senate of the Republic does not approve twice the appointment by the Federal Executive, the Senate will directly appoint the respective commissioner from the list of aspirants presented by the Evaluation Committee referred on article 28 of this Constitution.

Seventh Article. Decentralized agencies, the Federal Competence Commission and the Federal Telecommunication Commission will continue operating, according to the regulatory framework effective at the entry into force of this Decree while constitutional bodies are integrated according to Transitory Sixth Article. Human, financial and material resources of said decentralized bodies will be transferred to the Constitutional bodies created in virtue of this Decree.

Proceeding started before the integration of the Federal Economic Competence Commission and of the Federal Telecommunications Institute will continue in process before these bodies under the terms of the legislation applicable when they started. Resolutions on such proceedings may only be challenged as provided in this Decree through an indirect amparo action.

Likewise, trials and resources in process will continue until completed according to the legislation effective at the entry into force of this Decree.

If adjustments to the regulatory framework considered in Article Third Transitory had not been done at the date of the integration of the Federal Economic Competence Commission and of the Federal Telecommunications Institute, they will exercise their powers according to the provisions of this Decree and, when not contrary to this decree, in the effective laws on economic competence, radio broadcast and telecommunications.

Eight Article. After the constitution of the Federal Telecommunications Institute according to the Sixth Transitory Article, the following shall be observed:

I. Concessionaires who provide broadcast television services are obliged to allow restricted television concessionaires to rebroadcast their signal freely and without discrimination, within the same geographic coverage area completely,
simultaneously and without modifications including advertisement and with the same signal quality as broadcasted.

Concessionaires who provide restricted television services are obliged to rebroadcast the broadcast television signal freely and without discrimination, within the same geographic coverage area completely, simultaneously and without modifications including advertisement and with the same signal quality as broadcasted, and include it without additional cost in the services contracted by subscribers and users. Satellite restricted television concessionaires are required to rebroadcast only the broadcast fifty percent or more signals of the national territory. All restricted television services concessionaires shall rebroadcast signals broadcasted by federal public institutions.

Telecommunication or broadcast television concessionaires who had been declared with substantial power in any of the telecommunications or broadcast markets as leading economic agents in terms of this Decree, will not be entitled to the free-of-charge rule of free rebroadcast or retransmission contents; which in no case shall reflex as an additional cost in services contracted by scribers and users. These concessionaires shall agree the terms and conditions of the broadcasting or retransmission content. In case of dispute, the Federal Telecommunications Institute will decide the rate under the principles of free competition and concurrency. The Federal Telecommunications Institute will sanction leading economic agents with renewal of the concession or substantial power they directly or indirectly benefit from the free-of-charge rule, through other concessionaires, without prejudice of the corresponding payments. The latter will also have their concession removed.

Liabilities to offer and retransmit freely the broadcasted content will lose effectiveness simultaneously when there are competition conditions in the broadcast and telecommunications markets. This statements will be made by the Federal Telecommunications Institute in the terms established by the law. In this case, concessionaires will be free to agree on the terms and conditions of the retransmitting broadcast contents. In case of dispute the Federal Telecommunications Institute will determine the rate that shall be oriented to costs.

II. For full compliance of the Bidding and Allocation of Digital Broadcast Television Frequencies Program, the Federal Telecommunications Institutes shall publish, within one hundred and eighty natural days after being integrated, the bases and calls for tenders new concessions of broadcast television frequencies that shall be grouped to form at least two new national television companies, under the principles of efficient market operation, highest national service coverage, right to information and social purpose of the media, and specifically addressing the entry barriers and existing characteristic in the open television market. Those concessionaires or related groups with commercial, organizational, financial or legal relationship that currently accumulate concessions to provide 12 MHz radio frequency broadcast services or more in any geographic coverage area will not be able to participate in tenders.
III. The Federal Telecommunications Institute shall determine the existence of leading economic agents in the broadcast and telecommunications areas, and shall establish the necessary measures to prevent impact on the competition and free concurrence and, with that, on final users. Said measures shall be established within one hundred and eighty natural days after their integration, and shall include, as applicable, those related to information, provision and quality of services, exclusive contracts, limits on the use of terminal equipment among networks, asymmetric regulation in rates and network infrastructures, including unbundling of essential element and, where applicable, accounting, operational and structural separation of said agents.

For the purpose of this Decree, a leading economic agent will be that which due to its national participation providing broadcast and television services, with a direct or indirect national participation holds over fifty percent of said participation, measuring this percentage either for the number of users, subscribers, audience, network traffic or network capacity, according to the information available at the Federal Telecommunications Institute.

The effects of the liabilities imposed to the leading economic agent will cease by declaration of the Federal Telecommunications Institute, after according to the law, there are effective competition conditions in the corresponding market.

IV. The Federal Telecommunications Institute, within one hundred and eighty natural days following its integration, will establish the measures that allow the effective unbundling of the local network of the telecommunication leading agent, in such a way that telecommunications concessionaires may access, among others, to physical, technical and logical connection media between any end point of the public telecommunication network and the access point of the local network that belongs to said agent. These measures shall also be applicable to the economic agent with the substantial power in the relevant service market for final users.

Measures referred to in the above paragraph shall consider as an essential supply all elements necessary for an effective unbundling of the local network. Concessionaires may choose the elements of the local network they require from the leading agent and the network access point. Said measures may include regulation of prices and rates, technical and quality conditions, as well as an implementation schedule with the purpose of getting universal coverage and an increase on penetration of telecommunication services.

V. The Federal Telecommunications Institute will review, within one hundred and eighty natural days following its integration, the effective concession titles, in order to verify compliance of terms, conditions and modalities.

VI. Within one hundred and eighty natural days after its integration, the Federal Telecommunications Institute shall collect information necessary to build the Public Concessions Register referred to in article 28 of the Constitution.
**Ninth Article.** In relation to the resolutions referred to in fractions III and IV of the previous article, the following shall apply:

I. The Federal Telecommunications Institute shall pronounce according to the procedure established by the legislation effective at the time of issuance, otherwise, according to the Federal Law of Administrative Procedure;

II. Resolutions may only be challenged through indirect amparo action and will not be object of suspension, just as established in article 28 of the Constitution, reformed in virtue of this Decree. General rules applied during the proceeding and intra-procedural acts may only be claimed in the amparo filed against said resolution, and

III. No administrative resource will be admitted and resolutions may be challenged only through an indirect amparo action in terms of the previous fraction.

Failure to comply the measures considered in said resolutions will be sanctioned in terms of the applicable provisions. Failure to comply the accounting, functional and structural separation will result in termination of concession titles.

**Tenth Article.** The media providing broadcast service shall have editorial independence, financial management autonomy, citizen participation guarantees, clear rules for transparency and accountability, advocacy of its content, financing options, full access to technologies and rules to express ideological, ethnical and cultural diversities.

**Eleventh Article.** For radio and television advertisement to be balanced, the law shall provide the Federal Telecommunications Institute the power to supervise the compliance of maximum airtimes appointed for the broadcast of commercial messages.

The law shall guarantee that children programs respect the values and principles referred to in Article 3th of the Constitution, as well as the health standards, and shall establish the specific guidelines that regulate advertisement during children programs. The Institute shall have the power to supervise compliance.

Likewise, the Institute shall resolve any disagreement on the retransmission of contents, with the exception of electoral matters.

**Twelfth Article.** The Federal Judiciary Council shall establish Collegiate Courts Tribunals and District Courts specialized in economic competition, radio broadcast and telecommunication within sixty natural days after the entry into force of this Decree.

The Federal Judiciary Council shall issue general agreements to prevent the appointment of cases and rotation of specialized justices and judges who will hear
the cases, as well as the pertinent measures to guarantee independence, objectivity and impartiality of tribunals and courts referred to in the previous paragraph.

**Thirteenth Article.** The House of Representatives, in the Federal Expenditure Budget shall approve the necessary provisions to provide sufficient budget to the governing bodies referred to in this Decree for the performance of their duties, as well as the budgetary provisions for the good operation of the body referred to in article 6, Subparagraph B, fraction V of the Constitution.

**Fourteenth Article.** The Federal Executive will be in charge of universal digital inclusion policy which shall include objectives and goals on infrastructure, accessibility and connectivity, information technology and communication, and digital skills, as well as digital government programs, government and open data, public and private investment promotion in telehealth, telemedicine and electronic patient file and development of applications, systems and digital contents among other aspects.

Such policy will include, among other goals, that at least 70 percent of all homes and 85 of all micro, small and medium-sized national business have real speed access to download information according to the average registered in countries members of the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development. This characteristic shall be offered at international competitive prices.

The Federal Telecommunications Institute shall take the necessary action to contribute to the objectives of the universal digital inclusion policy.

Likewise, the Federal Executive shall establish the broadcast and telecommunication policies of the Federal Government and take action to guarantee broadband internet access in buildings and facilities of the Federal Public Administration dependencies and entities. The state shall do as correspondingly within their competence.

**Fifteenth Article.** The Federal Electricity Commission will fully transfer the concession to install, operate and exploit the public telecommunications network to Telecomunicaciones de Mexico, as well as all resources and equipment necessary to operate and exploit said concession, with the exception of the fiber optic, right of way, towels, poles, buildings and facilities, which shall be a responsibility of the Federal Electricity Commission, guaranteeing Telecomunicaciones de México, the effective and shared access to said infrastructure for an efficient use, in order to achieve the proper exercise of their duties and compliance of their objectives. Telecomunicaciones de México shall have the powers and resources to promote the access to broad band services, to plan, design and execute the construction and growth of a National telecommunications backbone robust network, as well as satellite communication and provision of telegraph services. The latter according to the guidelines and agreements issued by the Federal Telecommunications Institute.
Sixteenth Article. The State, through the Federal Executive, in coordination with the Federal Telecommunications Institute, shall guarantee the installation of a shared telecommunications public network that drives the effective access of the population to broad band communications and telecommunication services, according to principles in article 6, Section B, fraction II of this Decree and the following characteristics:

I. Installation shall start before the end of 2014, and shall be operating before the end of 2018;

II. It shall consider the use of at least 90 MHz of the spectrum freed by the transition to Terrestrial Digital Television (700 MHz band), of fiber optic backbone network resources of the Federal Electricity Commission and any other asset of the State that may be used during the installation and operation of the shared network;

III. Public or private investment may be considered identifying the budgetary needs, and where applicable, provisions that should be approved by the House of Representatives;

IV. Making sure that no telecommunication vendor impacts the network operations;

V. Access to assets required for the installation and operation of the network shall be guaranteed, as well as the compliance of objectives and coverage, quality and non-discriminating service provision obligations;

VI. It shall operate under the principles sharing the whole infrastructure and disaggregated sale of all services and capacities, and it shall provide services only to selling companies and telecommunication network operating companies, under no discrimination conditions and to competitive prices. Operators using said sharing and disaggregated sale are required to offer other operators and marketers the same conditions received from the shared network, and

VII. The fee policy of the shared network shall be promoted to encourage competition and to ensure reinvestment of profits for updating, growth and universal coverage.

The Federal Executive, within the National Democratic Planning System, shall include the respective programming instruments, the actions necessary to develop the network referred to in this article.

Seventeenth Article. The Federal Executive, within the National Democratic Planning System, shall include in the National Development Plan and appropriate sector-wide, institutional and special programs the following actions:
I. The growth of the backbone network considered in Transitory Article Sixteenth of this Decree, either through public, private or mixed investment, to ensure the highest service coverage to population;

II. A public broadband program that identifies the number of sites to connect a year until achieving universal coverage;

III. A detailed study that identifies the highest possible number of federal public sites, pipelines, poles and rights of way that should be made available to telecommunication operators and broadcasters to streamline network deployment. The program shall include the compensation that concessionaires shall pay for the corresponding use, under the principles of non-discriminatory access and prices that promote complying with the right referred to in article 6, paragraph three of the Constitution, as long as the concessionaire offers the same access conditions to its own infrastructure;

IV. A work program to fully comply with the policy for the transition to Terrestrial Digital Television and the necessary budgetary resources to achieve it, and

V. A National Radio Spectrum Program that, without limitation, shall include the following:

a) A work program to guarantee the optimal use of 700 MHz and 2.6 GHz bands under the principles of universal, non-discriminatory, shared and continuous use, and

b) A work program to reorganize the radio spectrum to radio and television stations.

The Federal Telecommunications Institute shall take the necessary action to contribute to the objectives and goals established at the National Development Plan and other programming instruments related to the broadcast and telecommunication sectors.

Eighteenth Article. Employment rights of workers who provide their services at companies and bodies involved in the activities covered in this Decree shall be respected at all times according to the law.


92. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Friday, July 19, 2013, which reforms the first paragraph of article 24 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

Only Article. This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.
93. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Monday, September 30, 2013, which reform fractions II, III and IV, and eliminates the last paragraph of section C) of article 37 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

First Article. This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second Article. All provisions opposing the reforms established in this Reform Act are repealed.

94. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Tuesday, October 8, 2013, which reforms fraction XXI of article 73, of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

First Article. This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation according to the provisions in the following articles.

Second Article. The only criminal procedural legislation on alternate mechanisms to resolve disputes and execution of penalties enacted by the Congress of the Union according to this Decree, shall come into force throughout the Republic before June eighteen two thousand and sixteen.

The effective criminal procedural legislation on alternate mechanisms to resolve disputes and execution of penalties enacted by the Congress of the Union, the state legislatures and the Legislative Assembly of the Federal District shall continue effective until the entry into force of the legislation enacted by the Congress of the Union on each matter according to this Decree.

Third. Criminal proceedings initiated before the entry into force of the criminal procedural legislation established by this Decree shall be completed according to the provisions effective when said procedures were initiated.

95. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Friday, December 20, 2013, which reform paragraphs four, six
and eight of article 25; the sixth paragraph of article 27; paragraphs four and six of article 28; and a paragraph seven is included moving the subsequent order to article 27; paragraph eight is included moving the subsequent order to article 28 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States, on terms of energy.

**First Article.** This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

**Second Article.** Employment rights of workers providing service at bodies, units and entities of the Federal Public Administration involved in activities included in this Decree shall be respected at all times according to the law.

**Third Article.** The law shall establish the terms and deadlines, which may not exceed two years after the publication of this Decree, for decentralized bodies called Petróleos Mexicanos and Comisión Federal de Electricidad to become productive State companies. During the transition, Petróleos Mexicanos and its subsidiary bodies are authorized to receive assignments and enter into contracts referred to in paragraph seven of article 27 reformed by this Decree. Likewise, the Federal Electricity Commission may enter into contracts referred to in paragraph six of article 27 reformed by virtue of this Decree.

**Fourth Article.** Within one hundred and twenty natural days after the entry into force of this Decree the Congress of the Union shall make the necessary adjustments to the legal regulation in order to make the provisions in this Decree effective, including the regulation of the contract modalities, which shall be among others: services, shared use or production, license to perform or on behalf of the Nation the exploration and extraction of oil and solid, liquid or gaseous hydrocarbons, including those by State-run producing companies with particular individuals in terms of article 27 of this Constitution. In every case, the State shall define the contract modality that best suits maximization of the National income.

The law shall establish the compensation modalities the State will pay to its producing companies and to particulars for the exploration and extraction of oil and other hydrocarbons on behalf of the Nation. Among other compensation modalities the following shall be regulated: I) in cash for service contracts; II) with a parentage of income for shared profit contracts; III) with a percentage of the production for shared production contracts; IV) with onerous transfer of hydrocarbons after extracted from the soil for license contracts, or V) any combination of the above. The Nation shall choose the compensation modality always looking after maximizing incomes for the greater long term development benefit. Likewise, the law shall establish the compensations and contributions by the producing companies of the State and particulars and shall regulate the cases where a payment in favor of the Nation will be imposed on products extracted and transferred.
**Fifth Article.** State producing companies with an assignment or a contract to perform exploration and extraction of oil and other solid, liquid or gaseous hydrocarbons, as well as particulars that enter into a contract with the State or any of the State-run producing companies for the same purpose, according to the provisions of this Decree, shall report for accounting and financial effect the corresponding assignment or contract and its expected benefits, as long as stated in the assignments or contracts that the oil and all solid, liquid or gaseous hydrocarbons in the soil are property of the Nation.

Provisions on the previous paragraph will be applicable to Petróleos Mexicanos and its subsidiary bodies during the transition period referred to in transitory article three of this Decree.

**Sixth Article.** The Ministry of Energy, with technical assistance of the National Hydrocarbons Commission, will be in charge of allocating Petróleos Mexicanos the assignments referred to in paragraph seven of article 27 of this Constitution.

The body shall submit to consideration of the Ministry of Energy the allocation of the areas in exploration and fields in production with functional capacity through assignments. For the latter, the body shall prove it has the technical, financial and execution capacities to explore and extract hydrocarbons efficiently and competitively. The request shall be submitted within ninety natural days after the entry into force of this Decree.

The Ministry of Energy shall review the request with technical assistance of the National Hydrocarbons Commission, and issue the corresponding resolution within one hundred and eighty natural days after Petróleos Mexicanos submits the requests, establishing the surface, depth and period of validity of the assignments. The above shall occur while considering the following aspects:

a) For hydrocarbon exploration assignments: the areas in which, at the entry into force of this Decree, Petróleos Mexicanos had made commercial findings or exploration investments, it will be possible, that based on the investment capacity and subject to a clear exploration plan for each appointed area, works continue for three years, extendable to up to two years based on the technical features of the field and the compliance of said exploration plan, and in case of success, to continue with extraction activities. Failure to comply the exploration plan the corresponding area shall be returned to the State.

b) For hydrocarbon extraction assignments: Petróleos Mexicanos will keep its rights on each field in production to the date of entry into force of this Decree. Petróleos Mexicanos shall present a development plan of said fields that includes descriptions of the works and investments, specifying the reasons of the proper use and efficient and competitive production.

The coexistence of different fields in a specific area shall be considered to determine the characteristics established on each hydrocarbon extraction
assignment. Based on the latter, the specific depth of each assignment may be established in a way that extraction activities may be carried out separately in the fields in the same area but at a different depth, in order to maximize the development of prospective resources for the benefit of the Nation.

In case that, as a result of the assignment process to perform the exploration and extraction of oil and solid, liquid or gaseous hydrocarbons mentioned in this transitory article, Petróleos Mexicanos’ investments were impacted, they will be recognized on its fair economic value under the terms provided for such purpose by the Ministry of Energy. The State may determine a compensation when performing an assignment. Assignments may be transferred without approval of the Ministry of Energy.

Petróleos Mexicanos may suggest the Ministry of Energy to authorize the migration of assignments allocated to the contracts referred to in article 27, paragraph seven of this Constitution. For that, the Ministry of Energy will have the technical assistance of the National Hydrocarbons Commission.

In the migration of assignments to contracts, when Petróleos Mexicanos choses to hire a particular, in order to determine the particular contractor, the National Hydrocarbons Commission will perform the bidding in the terms provided by the law. The law shall prevent, at least, that the Secretary Ministry of Energy establishes the technical and contractual guidelines, and that the Ministry of Treasure be responsible for establishing the fiscal conditions. In these cases, the contract administration will be subject to the same authorities and control mechanisms that apply to contracts signed by the State.

**Seventh Article.** In order to promote the participation of national and local producing channels, the law shall establish within the period of time provided in article transitory four, the minimum bases and percentages of the national content in the provision to execute assignments and contracts referred to in this Decree.

The law shall establish the mechanisms to promote the national industry on the matters of this Decree.

Legal provisions about the national content shall be subject to the provisions of international agreements and trade deals signed by Mexico.

**Eighth Article.** Due to its strategic nature, exploration and extraction of oil and other hydrocarbons, as well as public service of transmission and distribution of electric energy referred to in this Decree are consider of social interest and public order, therefore they shall take precedence over any other that involves using the surface and underground of soils affecting those.

The law shall provide the general terms and conditions of the consideration to be cover for the surface or impact, or as appropriate, the respective compensation.
Mining concession titles effective at the entry into force of this Decree and those granted later, shall not confer rights to explore or extract oil and other solid, liquid or gaseous hydrocarbons without prejudice to the rights provided in their own concessions. Concessionaires shall allow performing these activities.

The law shall consider, when technically possible, the mechanisms to facilitate the coexistence of the activities mentioned in this transitory article with others performed by the State or particulars.

**Ninth Article.** Within the period considered in transitory article four of this Decree, the Congress of the Union shall make the adjustments to the legal framework in order to establish that contracts and assignments that the State signs with State-run producing companies or particulars to perform on behalf of the Nation the exploration and extraction of oil and solid, liquid or gaseous hydrocarbons, shall be granted through mechanisms that guarantee the most transparency, thus bases and rules established for procedures shall be duly disseminated and consulted publicly.

Likewise, the law shall provide and regulate:

a) That contracts have the transparency clauses, which enable anyone interested to access;

b) An external auditing system to supervise the effective recovery, as appropriate, of costs incurred and other accounting involved in the operation of the contracts, and

c) The dissemination of the considerations, contributions and payments provided in contracts.

**Tenth Article.** Within the period considered in transitory article four of this Decree, the Congress of the Union shall make the necessary adjustments to the legal framework in order to establish, among others, the following responsibilities of agencies and bodies of the Federal Public Administration:

a) For the Ministry of Energy: to establish, conduct and coordinate the energy policy, assignment allocation and selection of areas that may be subject of the contracts referred to in paragraph seven of article 27 of this Constitution, with the technical assistance of the National Hydrocarbons Commission; the technical design of said contracts and technical guidelines that shall be observed in the bidding process; as well as granting licenses for processing and refining oil and natural gas processing. In matters of electricity, the Ministry shall establish the strict legal separation terms required to promote open access and efficient operation of the electric sector and it shall supervise its compliance.

b) For the National Hydrocarbons Commission: provision of technical advice to the Ministry of Energy; compilation of geological and operational information;
authorization of surface recognition and exploration services; performance of biddings, awarding winners and signing of contracts for exploration and extraction of solid, liquid or gaseous hydrocarbons; technical administration of assignments and contracts; supervision of extraction plans that maximize field productivity on time, and regulation on hydrocarbons exploration and extraction.

c) For the Regulatory Commission for Power: in matters of hydrocarbons the regulation and granting of licenses for storage, transportation and distribution through oil, gas, petroleum and petrochemical pipelines; the regulation of access of third parties to transportation pipelines and storage of hydrocarbons and its products, and the regulation of the first hand sale of said products. In matters of power, regulating and granting licenses for generation, as well as the transportation fees for transmission and distribution.

d) For the Ministry of Treasure, among others, establishing the financial conditions of the biddings and other contracts referred to in this Decree related to the fiscal terms that allow the Nation to obtain on time the income that contribute for the long term development.

The law shall establish the acts or omission that cause penalties to be imposed, the corresponding procedure, as well as the responsibilities of each agency or body to impose them and execute them.

The latter without prejudice to other responsibilities of said authorities granted by the law in these matters.

The law shall define the mechanisms to guarantee the coordination among regulatory bodies on energy matters and the Federal Public Administration, to issue, within their respective jurisdictions, acts and resolutions according to the public policies of the Federal Executive.

Eleventh Article. Within the period considered in transitory article four of this Decree, the Congress of the Union shall adjust the legal framework in order to regulate the contracting modalities for particulars who, on behalf of the Nation, will perform, among others, financing, installation, maintenance, management, operation and extension of the infrastructure necessary to provide the public service of transmission, distribution of electric power, under the terms provided in this Decree.

Twelfth Article. Within the same period considered in transitory article four of this Decree, the Congress of the Union shall adjust the legal framework so the National Hydrocarbon Commission and the Energy Regulatory Commission become coordinated regulatory agencies on the matter, with their own legal character, technical and managerial autonomy; likewise, they may use the income resulting from the consideration and uses established by the law for the services to issue and manage permits, authorizations, assignments and contracts, as well as for services related to the National Hydrocarbons Information Center, according to
their responsibilities, to finance a total budget that allows them to fulfill their duties. For the latter the laws shall provide at least:

a) That if at the end of the financial year, there is a remaining surplus income balance, the respective commission shall instruct transference to a trust constituted for each one of them by the Ministry of Energy, where one institution of the development bank will operate as trustee.

b) That the respective commissions will instruct the trustee on the use of the resources of those trusts to cover the expenses necessary to comply with their duties in coming years, respecting the principles referred to in article 134 of this Constitution and subject to evaluation and control of auditing entities of the State.

c) In the case of the National Hydrocarbons Commission, developing and maintaining the National Hydrocarbons Information Center will be a priority, and it shall have at least the information of seismic studies, as well as the rock cores obtained during exploration and extraction of hydrocarbons in the country.

Trusts may not accumulate resources higher to the equivalent of three times the annual budget of the corresponding Commission, taking as reference the budget approved for the last fiscal year. In case of additional resources, they shall be transferred to the Treasury of the Federation.

Trusts referred to in this transitory article shall be subject to transparency responsibilities according to the applicable law. Likewise, every Commission shall publish on its web site, in the least quarterly, the resources deposited in the respective trust, as well as the use and destination of said resources and other public interest information.

The House of Representatives shall make provisions to provide the commissions with the budgetary resources to carry out their task. The budget approved shall cover personal, material and supply services as well as managerial necessary to fulfill their duties.

**Thirteenth Article.** Within one hundred and twenty natural days after the entry into force of this Decree, the Congress of the Union shall adjust the legal framework to establish that commissioners of the National Hydrocarbons Commission and of the Energy Regulatory Commission can be removed from office for serious causes established for such effect; they may be appointed again only once to a second period in staggered renewal in order to guarantee the due exercise of their powers.

Current commissioners shall complete the period they were appointed for and subject to the above paragraph. For appointment of commissioners for the National Hydrocarbons Commission and for the Energy Regulatory Commission, the President of the Republic shall present a slate of three for consideration of the Senate, which shall appoint the commissioner to cover the vacancy after proposed persons have appeared before the Senate. Appointment will be by two thirds of the
members present of the Senate, within a non-renewable thirty days' period. Should the Senate not resolve within said period, the commissioner position will be taken by the person appointed by the President of the Republic from said slate of three.

In case that the House of Senators rejected the whole slate of three proposed, the President of the Republic shall submit a new slate of three under the terms of the previous paragraph. Should this second slate of three be rejected, the commissioner position will be taken by the person appointed by the President of the Republic from said slate of three.

Two new commissioners will be appointed for each Commission, staggered and under the terms of the previous paragraphs.

**Fourteenth Article.** The Mexican Oil Stabilization and Development Fund will be a public trust in which Bank of Mexico will be the trustee. The Ministry of Treasure shall take actions for the constitution and operation of said public trust, after the standards in transitory article four of this Decree are issued.

The Mexican Oil Stabilization and Development Fund will be responsible for receiving all incomes, except for taxes, of the Mexican States resulting from assignments and contracts referred to in paragraph seven, article 27 of this Constitution. Incomes shall be managed and distributed according to the following priorities and according to the law to:

1. Make the payments established in said assignments and contracts.

2. Make transfers to the Stabilization Funds of Oil Revenues and to Stabilization Funds of State Revenues. After the Stabilization Fund of Oil Revenues or its equivalent had reached its highest limits, resources allocated to the Fund will be destined to the long term savings mentioned in numeral 5. Within one hundred and twenty natural days after the entry into force of this Decree, the Congress of the Union shall make the necessary adjustments to the legal framework on matters of the ceiling of the Stabilization Fund of Oil Revenues and of the Right over Hydrocarbons for the Stabilization Fund.

3. Make transfers to the Hydrocarbons Extraction Fund, to the research funds for hydrocarbons and energy sustainability, and oil auditing.

4. Transfer to the Treasury of the Federation the resources necessary, thus the Federal Government oil revenues that will be allocated to cover every year's Expenditure Budgets of the Federation, stay at four point seven percent of the Gross Domestic Product, which correspond to the equal observed for 2013 oil revenues. For the latter, the following shall be considered: Ordinary Right on hydrocarbons, Right on hydrocarbons for the Stabilization Fund, Extraordinary right over exporting crude oil, Right of scientific and technologic research on energy matters, Right to oil auditing, right over hydrocarbons extraction, Right to regulate
and supervise hydrocarbons exploration and exploitation. For the compliance of the amount established in this numeral, resources transferred according to numerals 2 and 3 shall be considered.

5. Appoint resources to the long term savings including financial asset investment.

Only when the balance of the long term public savings investment is equal or higher to three percent of the Gross Domestic Product of the previous year, the Technical Committee of the Fund may allocate resources from the accumulated balance of the Fund for the Following:

a) Up to ten percent of the previous year increase in the long term savings balance to the Fund for the universal retirement system according to the law;

b) Up to ten percent of the previous year increase in the long term savings to finance investment projects for science, technology and innovation, and renewable energies;

c) Up to thirty percent of the previous year increase in the long term savings to fund an investment vehicle specialized in oil projects, sectorized in the Ministry of Energy and, as appropriate, on investment in national development infrastructure, and

d) Up to ten percent of the previous year increase in the long term savings in scholarships for human capital education in universities and postgraduate degrees; in projects to improve connectivity; as well as for the industry’s regional development. With the exception of the scholarship program, no resources may be used for the current expenditure.

The allocation of resources mentioned in sections a), b), and c) above shall not result in a balance destined to the long term savings reduction below three percent of the Gross Domestic Product of the previous year. Subject to the above, and with the approval of two thirds of the members present, the House of Representatives may modify the limits and possible destinations mentioned in sections a), b) and d) of this numeral. Once the accumulated balance of the long term public savings is equivalent or higher than ten percent of the Gross Domestic Product of the previous year, real annual financial yields associated to the resources of the Mexican Oil Fund for Stabilization and Development destined to the long term saving shall be transferred to the Treasury of the Federation. Said resources transferred to these destinations shall be additional to the transfersences made according to numeral 4 of this transitory article.

In case of a significant reduction on government revenue, related to a drop in the Gross Domestic Product, to a pronounced decline in oil prices or to a drop in the oil production platform, and once resources in the Stabilization Oil Revenues Fund or its equivalent had been depleted, the House of Representatives may approve by the vote of two thirds of its members present, the integration of resources for the
long term public saving to the Expenditure Budget of the Federation, even when the long term saving balance was reduced below three percent of previous year’s Gross Domestic Product. The integration of these resources to the Expenditure Budget of the Federation will be considered included in the transference according to numeral 4 of this transitory article.

The Mexican Oil Fund for Stabilization and Development will be subject to transparency liability according to the law. Likewise, the information that allows following financial results of assignment and contracts referred to in paragraph seven of article 27 of this Constitution shall be published electronically and quarterly, as well as the destination of the Mexican State Revenues according to previous paragraphs.

The Mexican Oil Fund for Stabilization and Development will be incorporated during 2014 and will start operations in 2015.

Fifth Article. The Mexican Oil Fund for Stabilization and Development shall have a Technical Committee with three members representing the State and four independent members. The members representing the State will be the heads of the Ministries of Treasure and Energy, as well as the Governor of the Bank of Mexico. Independent members shall be appointed by the head of the Federal Executive, with approval of two thirds of the members present at the Senate of the Republic. The head of the Ministry of Treasure will be the Chairman of the Technical Committee.

The Technical Committee of the Mexican Oil Fund for Stabilization and Development shall have, among others, the following powers:

a) Establish the investment policies for long term savings resources according to numeral 5 of the previous transitory article.

b) Instruct the trust company to make transfers to the Treasury of the Federation according to the previous transitory article.

c) Recommend the House of Representative, before February twenty-eight of each year, the allocation of the amounts for general items established in sections a), b), c) and d) of the above transitory article. The House of Representatives shall approve, with the suitable modifications, the allocation of the latter. In this process, the House of Representatives cannot allocate resources to specific projects or programs. In case that the House of representatives does not pronounce about the recommendation by the Technical Committee before April thirty of the same year, it will be deemed approved. Based on the allocation approved by the House of Representatives, the Federal Executive shall determine the specific projects and programs to allocate resources on each item, to be include in the Draft of the Expenditure Budget of the Federation of the corresponding year. During the approval process of said project, the House of Representatives may reallocate the
resources allocated to specific projects within each item, respecting the distribution of resources in general items that had already been approved.

The latter without prejudice of other resources established in the Expenditure Budget of the Federation for investment projects and programs.

**Sixteenth.** Within the following periods, the Federal Executive Branch shall provide the following decrees:

a) Within twelve months after the entry into force of the Regulatory Law of article 25 of the Constitution on the Oil Industry, the Federal Executive Branch shall issue the Decree of creation of the public decentralized body called National Natural Gas Control Center, in charge of operating the national transportation and storage pipeline system. Said Decree shall establish the organization, operation and duties of said Center.

The Decree shall provide the necessary for Petróleos Mexicanos and its subsidiaries or divisions to transfer the resources necessary thus the National Natural Gas Control Center acquires and manages the infrastructure for pipeline transportation and storage of the natural gas to service the corresponding users.

The Decree shall consider that Petróleos Mexicanos and its subsidiaries should immediately transfer to the National Natural Gas Control Center the contracts signed for administration.

The National Natural Gas Control Center will provide Petróleos Mexicanos the necessary support for up to twelve months after incorporated to continue operating the infrastructure and the natural gas pipeline transportation and storage provide a continuous, efficient and safe service.

b) Within the twelve months after the entry into force of the regulatory law of the electrical industry, the Federal Executive shall issue the Decree to create the National Power Control Center as a decentralized public body, in charge of operating the national electrical system; operating the wholesale electricity market; of the open and non-unduly discriminatory Access to the national transmission network and general distribution networks, and other powers established by the law on the creation decree. Said Decree shall include the organization, operation and responsibilities of said Center.

The Decree shall provide for the Comisión Federal de Electricidad to transfer the resources required by the National Energy Control Center to fulfill its duties.

The National Energy Control Center shall provide the Comisión Federal de Electricidad the necessary support for up to twelve months after created, to continue operating its public transportation and distribution service networks continuously, efficiently and safely.
Seventeenth Article. Within three hundred and sixty-five natural days after the entry into force of this Decree, the Congress of the Union shall adjust the legal framework to establish the bases in which the State shall seek protection and care of the environment at all process related in the subject matter of this Decree, and where State-run companies, particulars or both participate, by incorporating criteria of better practices on efficient use of energy, reduction of generation of greenhouse gases, efficiency on the use of natural resources, low generation of residues and emissions, as well as the lowest carbon footprints in all its processes.

On electricity matters, the law shall provide for the participants of the electricity industry liabilities on clean energy and reduction of polluting emissions.

Eighteenth Article. The Federal Executive, through the Ministry of Energy and within three hundred and sixty-five natural days after the entry into force of this Decree, shall include in the National Program for Sustainable Energy Use, a transition strategy to promote the use of cleaner technology and consumables.

Within the period considered in transitory article four of this Decree, the Congress of the Union shall enact a law with the purpose of regulating the recognition, exploration and exploitation of geothermal resources for the use of the energy from the subsoil within the boundaries of the national territory, in order to generate electric power or assign it for several uses.

Ninth Article. Within the period considered in transitory article four of this Decree, the Congress of the Union shall adjust the legal framework to create the National Hydrocarbons Industrial Safety and Environmental Protection Agency as the decentralized managerial body of the Ministry of the Environment with technical and managerial autonomy to use the income from the contributions and uses established by the law for their services to finance a total budget that allows to fulfill their duties.

The responsibilities of the Agency shall include regulating and supervising, on industrial, operational and environmental protection matters, the facilities and activities of the hydrocarbons sector, including the decommissioning and abandonment of facilities, as well as complete control of residues. The organization, operation and powers of the Agency shall provide at least for:

a) If at the end of the financial year there was a remaining surplus income balance, the Agency will instruct to transfer to a trust constituted by the Ministry of Environment where a development banking institution will operate as trustee.

b) The Agency shall instruct the trustee about the use of resources of this trust to cover the expenses necessary to fulfill duties on later years respecting the principles referred to in article 134 of this Constitution and subject to evaluation and control of the auditing agencies of the State.
Resources higher to the equivalent of three times the annual budget of the Agency may not be accumulated in the trust, considering for reference the budget approved for the last fiscal year. In case of additional resources, they shall be transferred to the Treasury of the Federation.

The trust referred to in this transitory article shall be subject to transparency obligations resulting from the law. Likewise, the Agency shall publish on its website, at least quarterly, the resources deposited in the trust, as well as the use and destination of such resources.

The House of Representatives shall take the necessary action to provide the budgetary resources to the Agency to perform its duties. The budget approved shall cover the chapters of personnel, material and supply services as well as general services necessary to fulfill their duties.

**Twentieth Article.** Within the period provided in the transitory article four of this Decree, the Congress of the Union shall adjust the legal framework to regulate the State-run producing companies and shall establish at least:

I. Their objective shall be the creation of economic value and increasing the revenue of the Nation with a sense of equity, social and environmental responsibility.

II. State-run producing companies should have budgetary autonomy and be subject only to the financial balance and the personnel services ceiling, approved by the Congress of the Union to proposal of the Ministry of Treasury.

III. Their organization, administration and corporate structure shall be according to the best international practices, ensuring technical and managerial autonomy, as well as a special procurement regime to obtain the best results from their activities, in a way that their government bodies have the necessary power to determine their institutional arrangement.

IV. Their governing bodies shall adjust to the provisions of the law and their directors be nominated and removed freely by the Head of the Federal Executive or, as appropriate, removed by the Management Board. For the case of State-run producing companies with exploration and extraction activities of oil and other solid, liquid or gaseous hydrocarbons in terms of the provision in paragraph seven of article 27 of this Constitution, the law shall establish, among other provisions, that their Management Board be as followed: five counselors form the Federal Government including the Secretary of Energy who will be the chairman and have quality vote, and five independent counselors.

V. They shall coordinate with the Federal Executive through the competent department to prevent that their financing operations do not lead to an increase on the financing cost of the rest of the public sector or contribute to reducing financing sources.
VI. They shall have, as provided by the corresponding laws, a special regime for procurement, leasing, services and public works, budget, public debt, managerial responsibilities and others required for the efficient fulfillment of their purpose, in a way that allows them to efficiently compete in the industry or corresponding activity.

Once that decentralized bodies called Petróleos Mexicanos and their subsidiaries, and the Comisión Federal de Electricidad, become State-run producing companies according to the laws enacted for such effect in terms of transitory article three of this Decree, provisions related to autonomy in previous fractions shall not be applicable for them, until according to the new legal provisions the auditing, transparency and accountability mechanism are operating.

Acting professional counselors of Petróleos Mexicanos at the entry into force of this Decree shall remain in office until completing the period they were nominated for, or until said body becomes a State-run producing company and the new Management Board is nominated. Said counselors may be considered to be part of the new Management Board of the State-run producing company according to the procedure established by the law.

Twenty First. Within the period considered in transitory article four of this Decree, the Congress of the Union shall adjust the legal framework, to prevent, investigate, identify and seriously sanction the assignees, contractors, licensed persons, public servants, as well as any person or company, either public or private, national or foreign that participate in the energy sector when performing act or omissions contrary to the law, among others, those with the purpose or direct or indirect consequence to impact the decision making of a public servant, staff or counselors of State-run producing companies to obtain a direct or indirect personal financial benefit.


96. TRANSITORY ATICLES of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Friday, December 27, 2013, through which fraction XXIX-R is included to article 73 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States, on public land register.

First.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second.- The Congress of the Union shall issue the corresponding general law within 180 days after the entry into force of this Decree. The opinion of the states shall be previously requested for such purpose.
Third.- State legislatures shall adjust the corresponding legislations to the provisions of this Decree and to the general law approved by the Congress of the Union within 60 days after the entry into force of said general law.


97. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Friday, December 27, 2013, which reforms subparagraph e) and adds subparagraph o) from fraction IV of article 116, and reforms article 122, Section C, First Base, fraction V, subparagraph f), all from the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

Single. This Decree shall come into force after published in the Official Gazette of the Federation.


98. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Friday, February 7, 2014, which reforms fractions I, IV and V of section A, and includes fraction VIII to article 6th.; fractions XXIX-S and XXIX-T are included to article 73; fraction XII is included to article 76 and subsequently moved; and reforms fraction XIX of article 89; subparagraph l) of fraction I is reformed and subsection h) is added to fraction II of article 105; paragraph three of article 108 is reformed; paragraphs one and two of article 110 are reformed; paragraphs one and five of article 111 are reformed; fraction VIII is included to 116; subparagraph ñ) is included, changing the order of the current subparagraphs, fraction V, of the First Base of section C of article 122, of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States, on matters of Transparency.

First. This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second. The Congress of the Union shall enact the General Law of article 6 of this Constitution, as well as the corresponding reform acts to the Federal Law on Transparency and Access to Government’s Public Information, to the Federal Law for Personal Data in Possession of Particulars, to the Federal code of Electoral Institutions and Procedures, to the General Law of Electoral Challenging Means and other ordinances necessary within a year after the publication of this Decree.

Third. Current commissioners of the Federal Institute of Access to Public Information and Data Protection may be part of the new federal autonomous body, with a previous request to the Senate of the Republic within ten days after the entry
into force of this Decree only for the remaining period in office at the extinguishing Institute, as long as the request is approved by two thirds of Senators present. In such case, the House of Representatives shall resolve within ten days, otherwise the request shall be deemed denied.

While the transparency agency is established as provided in article 6 of this Constitution, commissioners of the current Federal Institute of Access to Public Information and Data protection shall remain in office according to the legal order effective at the entry into force of this Decree.

Appointment of commissioners to the transparency agency being created through modifications to article 6 of the Constitution regarding this Decree, shall be made within 90 days after its entry into force, according to the following:

I. In case that all commissioners of the Federal Institute of Access to Information and Data Protection request to continue in office and receive said approval under the terms of the first paragraph of this transitory provision, they will be part of the body that guarantees the right to access information that is being created through this Decree, until the end of the period they were originally appointed for, according to the provisions in the following transitory article.

II. In case that only one or some commissioners of the Federal Institute of Access to Information and Data Protection request to continue in office and receive the approval referred to in the first paragraph of this precept, they will continue in office in the new agency until the end of the appointment they were originally given to be part of the vanishing Institute; likewise, commissioners referred to subparagraphs a) and b) of the following transitory article will be appointed and exercise duties during the period appointed in the respective subparagraphs.

In this scenario, commissioners that become part of the new agency, in virtue that commissioners of said Institute do not request or receive approval to continue in office, will have the following performance periods:

a) If the mandate of the commissioner ends on January 9, 2014, the assignment shall end on March 31, 2018;

b) If the commissioner who was to complete the mandate on April 13, 2019 does not continue, assignment shall be made on that date.

c) If the commissioner who was to complete the mandate on June 17, 2016 does not continue, assignment shall be made on that date.

d) If the commissioner or commissioners who were to complete the mandate on September 11, 2016 do not continue, the assignment or assignments shall be made on that date.
III. In case that none of the current commissioners of the Federal Institute of Access to Information and Data Protection request the Senate or receives approval to be part of the body to guarantee the right to access information created through this Decree and, to ensure staggered renewal of assignments being made, the Senate of the Republic shall specify the period for each commissioner considering the following:

a) The Senate shall appoint two commissioners whose mandate will end on March 31, 2018.

b) The Senate shall appoint two commissioners whose mandate will end on March 31, 2020.

c) The Senate shall appoint two commissioners whose mandate will end on March 31, 2022.

d) The Senate shall appoint one commissioner whose mandate will end on March 31, 2023.

**Fourth Article.** The assignment of the two new commissioners of the transparency agency established by this Constitution shall be within 90 days after the entry into force of this Decree.

In order to ensure the staggered renewal of commissioners on the first appointments, the Senate of the Republic shall specify the period of duty for each commissioner considering the following:

a) The Senate shall appoint one commissioner whose mandate will end on November 1, 2017.

b) The Senate shall appoint one new commissioner whose mandate will end on November 31, 2018.

c) The mandate of the person replacing the commissioner leaving office on January 9, 2014, will end on March 31, 2018.

d) The mandate of the person replacing the commissioner leaving office on April 13, 2019, will end on March 31, 2026.

e) The mandate of the person replacing the commissioner leaving office on June 17, 2016, will end on November 1, 2021.

f) The mandate of the persons replacing the commissioner leaving office on September 11, 2016, will end on November 1, 2022 and the other on November 1, 2023.
Fifth. State legislatures and the Federal District Legislative Assembly will have a year after their entry into force, to standardize their normativity according to this Decree.

Sixth Article. The transparency agency established in article 6 of this constitution may exercise the review and assert power referred to in this Decree, after the entry into force of the reforms to the secondary law issued for such purpose by the Honorable Congress of the Union.

Seventh Article. While the instance responsible for addressing the personal data protection in possession of particulars is determined, the transparency agency established in article 6 of this Constitution shall exercise the corresponding responsibilities.

Eighth Article. While the Congress of the Union issues the respective reforms on transparency matters, the transparency agency established in article 6 of this Constitution shall exercise powers and competences as provided in this Decree and the effective Federal Law of Transparency and Access to Public Government Information.

Ninth Article. Cases in process or pending to resolution at the entry into force of this Decree shall be brought before the transparency agency established in article 6 of this Constitution, created under the terms of this Decree.

Tenth Article. Financial and material resources, as well as workers ascribed to the Federal Institute of Access to Public Information and Personal Data Protection shall be transferred to the created autonomous public body. Employees who become part of the new body shall be ruled by section B of article 123 of this Constitution and their labor and social security rights may not be in any way impacted.


99. TRANSITORY ATICLES of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Monday, February 10, 2014, which reform paragraphs two and four of section A of article 26; fraction VII of paragraph twenty-third of article 28; the first paragraph of article 29; fraction VII and sections 4 and 6 of fraction VIII of article 35; base I on the first and second paragraph, third paragraph of base II, base III first paragraph, section A o the first paragraph and subparagraphs a), c), e) and g) and second paragraph, section B first paragraph and subparagraph c) and second paragraph, section C first paragraph and section D, base IV the first paragraph and base V of article 41; fraction II of article 54; second paragraph of fraction V of article 55; article 59; the first paragraph of article 65; the second paragraph of article 69, subparagraph a) fraction XXI of article 73; the third
Primero.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation, without prejudice to provision on the following transitory articles.

Second.- The Congress of the Union shall issue the regulation referred to in subparagraph a) of fraction XXI, and fraction XXIX-U of article 73 of this Constitution, before April 30, 2014. Said regulation shall establish at least the following:

I. The general law that governs national and local political parties:

a) The rules, limits and requirements for legal registration and participation in federal and local electoral processes;

b) The rights and obligations of their militants and the guarantee to access impartial intra-partisan justice bodies;

c) The basic guidelines for the integration of their leading bodies; nomination of their candidates and, in general, the performance of their activities in a democratic fashion; as well as transparency on the use of resources;

d) Minimum contents of their basic documents;

e) The procedures and applicable penalties when failing to comply their duties;
f) The electoral participation system for political parties through the coalitions figure as follows:

1. A uniform coalitions system shall be established for federal and local electoral processes;

2. Registration may be requested until the beginning of the run-up stage;

3. The law shall establish the difference among total, partial and flexible coalitions. A total coalition is that established by political parties to nominate all candidates in a single federal or local electoral process under the same electoral platform. A partial coalition is established by political parties to nominate at least fifty percent of candidates in a single federal or local electoral process, in the same platform. A flexible coalition is established by the political parties to nominate at least twenty percent of the candidatures in a single federal or local electoral process in the same electoral platform;

4. The rules for their emblems on the electoral ballots and the scrutiny and ballot counting modalities;

5. A political party participating for the first time in an electoral process may not be part of a coalition, and

g) An auditing system about the origin and destination of the resources of political parties, coalitions and candidates which shall have:

1. Powers and procedures for the supervision of incomes and expenses of political parties, coalitions and candidates to be prompt and timely during the electoral campaign;

2. Homogenous accounting guidelines, which shall be public and accessed electronically;

3. Mechanisms for political parties, coalitions and independent candidatures to notify the auditing body of the National Electoral Institute the information about contracts executed during campaigns or the electoral process, including financial information and expenditures and terms and conditions of instruments concluded. Said notifications shall be made previous to delivering the corresponding goods or rendering services;

4. The powers of the National Electoral Institute to verify the content of procurement notices referred to in the previous numeral;

5. The guidelines to ensure the highest publicity of accounting records and transactions, previous procurement notices and procurement validation requirements issued by the electoral authority;
6. The power of political parties to choose making all payments related to their electoral activities and campaigns, through the National Electoral Institute, under the terms established by the Institute through general provisions;

7. The power of political parties to make all payments related to hiring outside publicity through the National Electoral Institute, and

8. Penalties that shall be imposed when failing to comply their obligations.

II. The general law that regulates electoral procedures:

a) Holding federal and local elections the first Sunday of June of the corresponding year, under the terms of this Constitution, after 2015, except for those to take place on 2018, which shall be on the first Sunday of July;

b) The coordination mechanism between bodies of the Federal Executive on financial intelligence matters and the National Electoral Institute that allow reporting the latter cash withdrawals by anybody or agency of the Federation, of the States or local councils during any electoral process, when such operations are considered relevant or unusual according to the applicable regulation;

c) The applicable regulation to make transparent the financing, the methodology and the poll results published about electoral preferences, as well as the deadlines for dissemination;

d) The terms for holding mandatory debates between candidates, organized by the electoral authorities; and the rules applicable for the exercise of freedom for media to organize and broadcast debates between candidates running for any popular election office. If any of the candidates denies participation, in no case that shall be a reason to cancel or prohibit the respective debate. Holding and broadcasting debates on radio and television, except when proved contrary, will not be considered as illegal purchasing of time as undercover propaganda;

e) The modalities and deadlines for delivery of electoral propaganda material for broadcast on radio and television air time;

f) The penalties applicable to the promotion of frivolous complaints. A frivolous complaint will be considered, for such purpose, that promoted regarding facts not supported on any evidence or that could not substantiate the specific legal case supporting the complaint or report

g) The regulation of the electoral propaganda establishing that promotional utilitarian items may be only made with textile material;

h) The rules to guarantee the parity between genders in candidatures to federal and local legislators, and
i) Rules, limits, instances and procedural stages to penalize breaches to electoral procedures.

III. The general law on electoral crimes shall establish the criminal types, penalties, distribution of competences and forms of coordination between the Federation and the states.

Third Article.- The Congress of the Union shall issue, during the second period of ordinary sessions of the second year of the LXII Legislature year, which shall establish the rules to govern public powers, autonomous bodies, dependencies and entities of the public administration and of any other entity of the three orders of the government, and that will guarantee that social communication expenditure meets the efficiency, efficacy, economic, transparency and honesty criteria, as well as budgetary ceilings, limits and conditions of the year established by the respective spending budgets.

Fourth Article.- Additions, reforms and repeals to articles 35; 41; 54; 55; 99; 105 fraction II subparagraph f); 110 and 111 on the name of the National Electoral Institute and 116, fraction IV of this Constitution, will come into force on the same date as the rules referred to in the Second Transitory above, without prejudice to the next transitory Five.

The addition to paragraph four of base I of article 41 of this Constitution related to the percentage of the votes necessary for political parties to keep registration will come into force after the publication of this Decree.

The reforms mentioned in the first paragraph of this transitory article regarding states holding elections in 2014 will come into force after said processes had finished.

Quinto.- The National Electoral Institute shall be integrated within one hundred natural days after the entry into force of this Decree and will start exercising powers after the entry into force of provision in the previous second transitory article. In case that to the integration date of the National Electoral Institute the provisions of the previous transitory second article had not come into force, said Institute shall exercise powers granted to the Federal Electoral Institute by the effective laws.

With the purpose of ensuring staggering on the position of the members of the General Council of the National Electoral Institute, the evaluation committee referred to in subparagraph a) of paragraph five of section A of Base V, article 41, reformed by virtue of this Decree, shall send to the H0use of Representatives for processing in separated processes, according to said paragraph, the following:

a) Three lists to cover the election of each one of the three counselors who will be in office three years;
b) Four lists to cover the election of each one of the four counselors who will be in office for six years;

c) Three lists to cover the election of each one of the three counselors who will be in office nine years, and

d) A list to cover the election of the President who will be in office nine years.

The counselors of the Federal Electoral Institute in office at the beginning of the selection process for the integration of the National Electoral Institute may participate in said process.

Sixth Article.- After integrated and after the entry into force of provisions in the Second Transitory above, the National Electoral Institute shall issue the guidelines to guarantee the incorporation of all public servants of the Federal Electoral Institute and of the local electoral bodies to the National Electoral Professional Service, as well as other regulations for total integration.

Seventh Article.- Human, budgetary, financial and material resources of the Federal Electoral Institute will become part of the National Electoral Institute after integrated under the terms of the previous Transitory article five, without undermining their labor rights.

Eighth Article.- After the National Electoral Institute has been integrated and after the entry into force of the rules provided in the previous transitory second article, the duties of electoral training, as well as the location of polling sites and appointment of officers of district commission at local electoral processes, will be considered granted to the local public bodies.

In this case, the National Electoral Institute may retake said duties by majority of the General Council

Later delegations and resumption of these duties shall be submitted to provisions in Base V, Section C of article 41 of this Constitution.

Ninth Article.- The General Council of the National Electoral Institute shall appoint the new councilors of the local electoral bodies as provided by subparagraph c), fraction IV, article 116 of this Constitution. The current counselors shall continue in office until appointments referred to in this Transitory article are made. The General Council shall carry out the procedures for appointing of electoral counselors before the next electoral process and after the entry into force of this Decree.

Tenth Article.- Justices of local electoral jurisdictional bodies in office after the entry into force of the rules provided in the second transitory article, shall continue in office until new appointments are made as provided by fraction IV, subparagraph c), article 116 of this Constitution. The Senate of the Republic shall carry out the
procedure thus the appointment of electoral justices takes place before the beginning of the next local electoral process after the entry into force of this Decree.

Justices referred to in the previous paragraph shall be eligible for a new appointment.

Eleventh Article.- The reform to article 59 of this Constitution shall be applicable to representatives and senators elected in the 2018 electoral process.

Twelfth Article.- The additions, reforms and repeals to articles 60, third paragraph; 74, fractions III and VII; 76, fractions II and XI; 89, fraction II, paragraphs two and three, and fraction XVII, shall come into force on December 1, 2018.

Thirteenth Article.- The reform to article 116 of this Constitution on reelection of local representatives, as well as representatives the Legislative Assembly of the Federal District shall not be applicable to legislators who had sworn office at the legislature working at the entry into force of this Decree.

Fourteenth Article.- The reform to article 115 of this Constitution on reelection of mayors, municipal councilor and community representatives shall not be applicable to legislators who had sworn office at the Local council working at the entry into force of this Decree.

Fifth Article.- Reforms to articles 65; 74, fraction IV and 83 of this Constitution shall come into force on December 1, 2018, thus the presidential period from 2018 to 2024 shall start on December 1, 2018 and will end on September 30, 2024.

Sixth Article.- Additions, reforms and repeals to articles 28; 29, first paragraph; 69, second paragraph; 76, fractions II, referring to the abolition of ratification of the Attorney General of the Republic by the Senate and XII; 78, fraction V; 82, fraction VI; 84; 89, fraction IX; 90; 93, second paragraph; 95; 102, Section A; 105, fractions II, subparagraphs c) and i) and III; 107; 110 and 111 referring to the Public Prosecutor of the Republic; 116, fraction IX and119, first paragraph of this Constitution, shall come into force on the same date as secondary regulation enacted by the Congress of the Union necessary by virtue of additions, reforms and repeals referred to in this Transitory, as long as the Congress makes the expressed declaration of the entry into force of the constitutional autonomy of the Public Prosecutor of the Republic.

The Attorney General of the Republic in office at the time of issuing the declaration referred to in the above paragraph, shall be appointed by virtue of this Decree Public Prosecutor of the Republic for the time established in article 102, Section A of this Constitution, without prejudice of the removal procedure considered in fraction IV of said article.
Seventeenth Article.- After the entry into force of provisions of this Decree referred to in the previous Transitory article the following shall proceed:

I.- The cases where the Public Prosecutor of the Republic represents the federation and cases different considered in subparagraph i) fraction II, article 105 of this Constitution which is added by virtue of this Decree, and are in process at the entry into force of the provisions referred to in the previous transitory Article shall be submitted within the next one hundred and twenty working days to the Federal Executive performing the duty of Legal Councilor of the Government.

Procedures appointed in the above paragraph shall be suspended for a sixty working days' period after the entry into force of the provisions referred to in the previous transitory article; on each case, the suspension shall be declared ex officio by jurisdictional bodies to whom said procedures will be presented, and

II.- The human, financial and material resources that the General Attorney’s Office allocates for addressing and presenting procedures referred to in the above fraction shall be transferred to the agency that performs as Legal Adviser of the Government. The heads of both bodies shall prevent as necessary for said resources to be transferred on the same day of the entry into force of the provisions mentioned in the previous transitory article.

Eighteenth Article.- After the entry into force of this Decree the Senate shall appoint, by two thirds of its members present, the head of the Special Prosecutor’s office for Electoral Crimes of the Attorney’s General Office. The Federal Executive may object said appointment, in such a case a new appointment shall proceed according to the terms herein provided.

Within thirty days after the entry into force of this Decree, the Attorney General of the Republic shall issue the agreement to create the Special Prosecutor’s office for Electoral Crimes related to incidents of corruption whose head shall be appointed by the Senate under the terms of the previous paragraph.

The heads of the prosecuting offices appointed in terms for this transitory article shall remain in office until November thirty, two thousand and eighteen, without prejudice to the possibility of being removed freely by the General Attorney of the Republic or, as applicable, the Public Prosecutor of the Republic. Removal may be objected by the majority vote of the members present of the Senate within ten working days, in such a case, the head of the corresponding prosecutor’s office shall be removed from office.

Ninth Article.- After the entry into force of the reform initiatives referred to in the sixteenth transitory article above, human, budgetary, financial and material resources of the General Attorney’s Office shall be for the autonomous body established in the Decree.
Twentieth Article.- The reform initiative to article 26 of this Constitution shall come into force the day after the publication of this Decree.

The General Council of the National Board for the Evaluation of the Social Development Policy shall be integrated within sixty natural days after the entry into force of this Decree. For such effect, two counselors shall be elected for a two-years period, two councilors for a three-years period, two councilors for a four-years period and a Chairperson for a four-years period. In case that in said period the referred constitutional body is not integrated and until being integrated, the decentralized agency called National Council for the Social Development Policy Evaluation shall continue operating.

With the exception of the Ministry of Social Development, the members of the Directive Board of the decentralized agency referred to in the previous paragraph, in operations before the entry into force of this Decree may be considered to integrate the new autonomous body being created.

The Congress of the Union shall enact a law to regulate the autonomous body called the National Council for the Evaluation of the Social Development Policy within one-hundred and twenty natural days after the entry into force of this Decree.

While the Congress of the Union enacts the law referred to in the previous paragraph, the National Council for the Evaluation of the Social Development Policy created in virtue of this Decree, after installed, shall exercise its powers and competences according to this Decree and the Decree that regulates the National Council for the Evaluation of the Social Development policy published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on August 24, 2005.

Twenty First Article.- The Counselors of the Federal Electoral Institute who at the entry into force of this Decree are in office shall continue in office until the integration of the National Electoral Institute, in terms of provision of the Fifth transitory article of this Decree; therefore, legal acts legitimately issued by the Federal Electoral Institute in terms of the effective legislation shall be fully effective.


100. TRANSITORY ATICLES of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Tuesday, June 17, 2014, which adds an eighth paragraph moving the subsequent order to article 4 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.
First. This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second. After the entry into force of this Decree, the State Legislatures and the Legislative Assembly of the Federal District shall have six months to establish in their finances or financial codes the duty exemption for birth certificates and for issuing the first certified copy of the birth certificate.

Third. The Congress of the Union within six months after the entry into force of this Decree, and previous opinion of the state authorities and the competent authority on national population registry matters, shall make adjustments to the law defining the characteristics, design and content of the single form for population register, as well as for issuing any kind of certificate from the civil registration which shall be implemented through electronic mechanism and adopted by the states and delegations of Mexico abroad.

Fourth Article. The Ministry of the Interior, through the National Population Registry, shall send to the National Electoral Institute the information collected by registry local authorities regarding death certificates.


101. TRANSITORY ATICLES of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Tuesday, June 17, 2014, which reforms the third paragraph of article 108 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

First. This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second. Provisions contrary to this Decree shall be made ineffective


102. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Tuesday, June 17, 2014, which reforms fraction III of section A of article 123 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

Single. This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.


103. TRANSITORY ATICLES of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Monday, July 7, 2014, which reforms subparagraph b) of the
third paragraph of Base VI of article 41 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

Single. This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.


104. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Friday, May 22, 2015, which reforms fraction III, of section A, of article 2o. of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

First.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second.- State legislatures shall adjust their respective Constitutions, as well as the corresponding legislation according to this Decree within 180 days after the entry into force of this Decree.


105. TRANSITORY ATICLES of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Tuesday, 26 de mayo de 2015, which reforms articles 73, fraction VIII; 79, fraction I, first and second paragraphs; 108, fourth paragraph; 116, fraction II, sixth paragraph; 117, fraction VIII, second paragraph; adding articles 25, with a second paragraph, moving the subsequent order; 73, with a fraction XXIX-W; and 117, fraction VIII, with paragraphs third and fourth of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

First. This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Second. The regulatory law on fiscal liability applicable to the States and Municipal Councils that shall be enacted in terms of article 73, fraction XXIX-W of this Decree, as well as the reforms necessary to comply with this Decree shall be published in the Official Gazette of the Federation within 90 natural days after the entry into force of this Decree.

Third. Within 180 natural days after the entry into force of the regulatory law referred to in the previous article, state legislatures shall make the necessary reforms to bring their legislation into line with this Decree and said law.

Fourth Article. The States and Local Councils shall be subject to the provisions of this Decree and the laws referred to in the second transitory article herein after its
entry into force and shall respect the liabilities taken on before that date with third parties under the terms of the applicable provisions.

**Fifth Article.** The regulatory law shall establish the transience for the entry into force of restrictions established regarding taking on short term liabilities referred to in article 117, fraction VIII, last paragraph of this Decree.

**Sixth Article.** The States and Local Councils shall send to the Federal Executive and to the Congress of the Union a report about all debenture loans and liabilities of payment effective at the entry into force of this Decree within 60 natural days according to the guidelines issued by the Congress of the Union.

**Seventh Article.** The regulatory law shall establish that the registration referred to in subparagraph 4, fraction VIII, article 73 of this Decree, shall include at least the following information about each debenture loan or liability: debtor, creditor, amount, interest rate, term type of guarantee or payment source, as well as that considered necessary to strength transparency and access to information.

While said registration is implemented, the competent legislative commissions of the Congress of the Union shall be provided with a report of the liabilities and debenture loans referred to in article 9 of the Tax Coordination Law where currently registered, within 30 natural days, as well as additional information that the competent legislative commissions request from the related authorities. Likewise, every quarterly closing (March, June, September and December), debenture loans and liabilities registered on each period shall be reported specifying accordingly if used to refinance or restructure the existing credits. While the regulatory law comes into force and registration is implemented, the Congress of the Union shall timely follow State and Local Council debts. For such Purposes the Auditor General of the Federation shall verify the destination and use of the federal resources that were given as guarantee.

State legislatures shall make and publish through their auditing entities an audit to the set of liabilities from the public sector, regardless of the origin of the resources granted as guarantee, within 90 natural days after the entry into force of this Decree.

Public servants and other staff from the Congress of the Union with access to information about this Transitory Article shall be responsible for information management and shall be accountable for damage and prejudice when disclosed.

**Eighth Article.** The regulatory law referred to in Article 73, fraction VIII, subparagraph 3 of this Decree shall establish the modalities and conditions of the public debt which shall be obtained through public tender, as well as the mechanisms considered necessary to ensure the market conditions or better that those, and to strengthen transparency when is not mandatory.
106. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Wednesday, May 27, 2015, which reforms articles 22, second paragraph, fraction II; 28, paragraph twenty, fraction XII; 41, second paragraph, fraction V, Section A, paragraphs two, eight and ten; 73, fractions XXIV y XXIX-H; 74, fractions II y VI, in paragraphs two, three, four and five; 76, fraction II; 79, paragraphs first, second, current third and fractions I, paragraphs second, fourth and fifth, II and IV, first paragraph, and current paragraphs fourth, fifth, and sixth; 104, fraction III; the name of Title Four is changed to "Accountability of Public servants, related individuals with Administrative Misconducts or Incidents of Corruption and Liability against the State"; 109; 113; 114, third paragraph; 116, second paragraph, fractions II, sixth paragraph and V; 122, Section C, FIRST BASE, fraction V, subparagraphs c), second paragraph, e), m) y n) and, FIFTH BASE; adding articles 73, fraction XXIX-V; 74, fraction VIII, moving the current VIII to IX; 79, with a third and fourth paragraphs, moving the order; 108, with a last paragraph; 116, second paragraph, fraction II, with an eight paragraph, moving the current order; 122, Section C, FIRST BASE, fraction V, subparagraph c), with a third paragraph, moving the order of the current paragraph; the second paragraph of fraction IV is repeal, also current paragraph three of article 79 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

First. This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation, subject to the provisions of the next transitory articles.

Second. The Congress of the Union, within a year after the entry into force of this Decree, shall approve the general laws referred to in fractions XXIV and XXIX-V of article 73 of this Constitution, as well as reforms to the legislation established in fractions XXIV and XXIX-H of said article. Also the Organic Law of the Federal Public Administration shall be adjusted thus the responsible Ministry of the internal control of the Federal Executive takes the powers necessary to comply with the provisions herein and the laws resulting thereof.

Third. The law referred to in fraction XXIX-H of article 73 of the Constitution, shall establish that following provisions of the Federal Law on Budget and Fiscal Accountability, the Federal Administrative-law Tribunal shall:

a) Approve its draft budget, subject to the general criteria of the economic policy and global ceilings of the expenditure established by the Federal Executive;

b) Directly exercise the budget approved by the House of Representatives, without being subject to provisions issued by the Ministry of Finance and Public Credit and the Ministry of Public Service;
c) Authorize budget adjustments without the authorization of the Ministry of Finance and Public Credit, as long as it does not overrun the global ceiling approved by the House of Representatives;

d) Determine budget adjustments in case of income reduction during the fiscal year and,

e) Make payments, keep accounts and prepare reports through its own treasury department under the terms of the applicable laws.

Fourth Article. The Congress of the Union, the State Legislatures and the Legislative Assembly of the Federal District shall, within their respective competences, enact the laws and make the corresponding adjustments to regulations within the next one hundred and eighty days after the entry into force of the general laws referred to in the Second Transitory article of this Decree.

Quinto. Additions, reforms and repeals by virtue of this Decree to articles 79, 108, 109, 113, 114, 116, fraction V and 122, FIFTH BASE, shall come into force on the same date as the laws referred to in the Second transitory article of this Decree.

Sixth Article. While laws referred to the Second Transitory article are enacted and reformed, the Federal and State legislation on administrative accountability for public servants shall continue applying, as well as on auditing and control on public resources, effective at the entry into force of this Decree.

Seventh Article. State anticorruption systems shall be made according to the applicable General Laws, constitutions and local laws.

Eighth Article. Justices of the Federal Court of Fiscal and Administrative-law who had been named at the entry into force of the Law referred to in fraction XXIX-H, article 73, of this Constitution shall remain as Justices of the Federal Court of Fiscal and Administrative-law for the time they were appointed.

The head of the bodies referred to in additions and reforms of this Decree in fractions VIII of article 74 and II of article 76, in office at the entry into force of the Decree shall continue in office under the terms as appointed.

The Justices of Administrative Dispute Courts whatever their designation in the States shall continue as Justices of the Administrative Dispute Court of each State only for the period they were appointed for.

The Federal Tax and Administrative-law Court shall continue operating with current powers processing the cases currently in process until the entry into force of the Law referred to in fraction XXIX-H, article 73 of this Decree.

Ninth Article. Human, material, financial and budgetary resources of the Federal Tax and Administrative-law Court, including all assets and rights resulting from
effective funds or trusts, shall become part of the Federal Administrative-law Court under the terms of the Law referred to in fraction XXIX-H, article 73 of this Constitution.

**Tenth Article.** Base employees providing their services to the Federal Court of Fiscal Justice and Administrative-law at the entry into force of the Law referred to in fraction XXIX-H, of article 73, of this Constitution will continue under the same quality and labor right of the Federal Administrative-law Court, under the terms provided by said law.

**Eleventh Article.** The regulatory law of the second paragraph of article 113 of the Constitution, reformed by virtue of this Decree, shall be considered referred to in the last paragraph of article 109 of the Constitution following the Fifth Transitory article of this Decree.


107. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on **Thursday, July 2, 2015**, which reform paragraphs four and six of article 18 and reforms subparagraph c) of fraction XXI of article 73, of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

**FIRST ARTICLE.** This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

**SECOND ARTICLE.** The Congress of the Union within 180 natural days after the publication of this Decree at the Official Gazette of the Federation shall enact the national legislation on justice for adolescents considering the transitional provisions necessary to differentiate the entrance into effect according to the stage of the implementation process of the Accusatorial Criminal Procedural System where they are. In virtue of the latter, the Federal Law of Justice for Adolescents is repealed, published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on December 27, 2012.

The Law on the Treatment for Juvenile Offenders for the Federal District of State jurisdiction and Federal jurisdiction for the rest of the Country, as well as the effective legislation on justice for adolescent enacted by State Legislatures and the Federal District Legislature shall continue into force until the national law enacted by the Congress of the Union enters into force according to this Decree.

**THIRD ARTICLE.** Justice procedures for adolescents and the implementation of sanction measures that started before the entry into force of the national legislation established in this Decree, shall be included according to the provisions effective when said procedures and implementation of sanction measures started.
FOURTH ARTICLE. The Congress of the Union, State legislatures and the Assembly of the Federal District shall provide the resources necessary for the implementation, operation and development of the justice system for adolescents. Budget lines for such purposes shall be stated in the corresponding expenditure budget.


108. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Friday, July 10, 2015, which reforms subparagraph a) fraction XXI of article 73 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

FIRST. This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

SECOND. The Congress of the Union shall enact the legislation in the matters added, by virtue of this Decree, to article 73 fraction XXI, subparagraph a), within 180 days after the entry into force of this Decree.

The legislation referred to in this Transitory shall regulate the National Missing Persons System

THIRD. The State and Federal legislation on matters of forced disappearance of persons, other forms of depravation of liberty contrary to the law, torture and other cruel treatments or punishments, inhuman or degrading shall continue into force until the general laws enacted by the Congress of the Union referred to in the above transitory enter into force. Criminal proceedings initiated with said legislation, as well as the judgments issued bases on the legislation shall not be impacted by the entry into force of said general laws. Therefore, they shall be completed and executed respectively according to the provisions effective before the entry into force of the latter.


109. TRANSITORY ARTICLES of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Wednesday, January 27, 2016, which reform subparagraph a) of base II of article 41, and the first paragraph of fraction VI of section A of article 123; and paragraphs six and seven are added to Section B of article 26 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

Primero.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Segundo.- The initial daily value of the Unit of Measure and Upgrade, at the entry into force of this Decree, shall be equal to the general daily minimum salary
effective throughout the country at the entry into force of this Decree and until said value is upgraded according to the procedure provided in the fifth transitory article.

The initial monthly value of the Unit of Measure and Upgrade at the entry into force of this Decree shall be the result of multiplying the initial value referred to in the previous paragraph times 30.4. The initial annual value shall be the result of multiplying the initial monthly value times 12.

Third.- At the entry into force of this Decree, all mentions to the minimum salary as the counting unit, index, base measure or reference to define the amount of the liabilities and cases considered in Federal, State and Federal District laws, and any other legal provisions resulting from the latter shall be referred to as the Unit of Measure and Upgrade.

Fourth Article.- Subject to the provisions of the TRANSITORY ARTICLE above, the Congress of the Union, State legislatures, the Legislative Assembly of the Federal District, as well as the Federal, State, Federal District and Local Councils’ Public Administrations shall make the corresponding adjustments to the laws and ordinances of their competence, as the case may be, within a year after the entry into force of this Decree, in order to eliminate references to the minimum salary as unit of measure, index, base, measure or reference and replace them for those related to the Unit of Measure and Upgrade.

Fifth Article.- The Congress of the Union shall enact a regulatory legislation to determine the value of the Unit of Measure and Upgrade within 120 natural days after the publication of this Decree.

The following method to update the value of the Unit of Measure and Upgrade shall be used while this law is passed:

I. The daily value shall be determined by multiplying the daily value of the Unit of Measure and Upgrade of the immediate previous year, times the result of the addition of one plus the year-on-year change of the National Consumer Price Index of December of the previous year.

II. The monthly value shall be the result of multiplying the daily value of the Unit of Measure and the Upgrade times 30.4.

III. The annual value shall be the result of multiplying the monthly value of the Unit of Measure and the Upgrade times 12.

Likewise, the law shall also consider periodicity, following the principle of annuity in which the update of the Unit of Measure and Upgrade shall be published at the Official Gazette of the Federation, as well as the adjustment mechanism accordingly.
The initial value considered in the second transitory of this Decree will be updated according to the procedure established after the legal corresponding adjustments are made.

**Sixth Article.**- Credits effective at the entry into force of this Decree with amounts updated based on the minimum salary and that had been granted by the National Institute of Housing Fund for Workers, by the Housing Fund of the Institute for Social Security and Services for State Workers or other by institutions of the State devoted to grant credits for housing, shall continue updating under the terms and conditions already stated.

Subject to the pervious paragraph, in the event that the minimum salary increases above inflation, said institutions will not be able to update the balance in national currency of this type of credits to a rate that exceeds the percentage growth of the Unit of Measure and Upgrade during the same year.

Institutions referred to in the first paragraph may, after the entry into force of this Decree and within 720 natural days after the entry into force of the Decree, continue granting housing credits that are referenced or updated based on the minimum salary. In case that the minimum salary increased above inflation, said institution may not update the salary in national currency of this type of credits to a rate that exceeds the percentage growth of the Unit of Measure and Upgrade during the same year.

The governing body of each institution may define the most adequate mechanism to implement the provisions of this transitory article.

**Seventh Article.**- Contracts and agreement of any nature, effective at the entry into force of this Decree and that use the minimum salary as reference for any effect may not modify the Unit of Measure and Upgrade, except when the involved parties agree on the contrary. The latter, subject to the entry into force of this Decree, the parties may use as index or reference the Unit of Measure and Upgrade.

**Eighth Article.**- Credits, guarantees, coverages and other financial arrangements granted or supported by the Operation and Banking Finance Fund for Housing or by the Federal Mortgage Society, S.N.C., Development Banks, where seeking the accessibility of the mortgage for the increase of the balance or installments, the minimum salary was considered in benefit of the debtors, said entities shall carry out the necessary acts and managements for the maximum increase in the established period not to be not higher that the corresponding inflation. Likewise, the government body of each entity shall determine the most adequate mechanism to implement the provisions of this transitory article.
Ninth Article.- Provisions contrary to this Decree are repealed except for the legal provisions related to the account unit called the Investment Unit or UDI.


110. TRANSITORY ATICLES of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Friday, January 29, 2016, which reform articles 2nd., Section A, fraction III and Section B, first paragraph, and second paragraph, fraction IX; 3th., first paragraph and fractions III and VIII; 5th., second paragraph; 6th., Section A, first paragraph and fraction VIII, paragraphs four, five and sixteenth; 17, seventh paragraph; 18, paragraphs three and four; 21, paragraph nine and paragraph ten, subparagraph a); 26, Section B, first paragraph; 27, fifth paragraph and tenth paragraph, fraction VI, first and second paragraphs; 28, paragraphs nine and twenty-three, fraction VII; 31, fraction IV; 36, fraction IV; 40; 41, first paragraph, as well as Base II, second paragraph, subparagraph a), and Base III, Section A, fourth paragraph, and Section C, second paragraph; 43; 44; 53, first paragraph; 55, first paragraph, fractions III and V paragraphs three and four; 56, first paragraph; 62; 71, fraction III; 73, fractions III, numerals 3rd., 6th. and 7th., IX, XV, XXI, subparagraph a), second paragraph, XXIII, XXV, XXVIII, XXIX-C, XXIX-G, XXIX-I, XXIX-J, XXIX-K, XXIX-N, XXIX-N, XXIX-P and XXIX-T; 76, fractions IV, V and VI; 79, paragraph three, fraction I, second paragraph; 82, fraction VI; 89, fraction XIV; 95, fraction VI; 101, first paragraph; 102, Section A, paragraphs one and four, and Section B, paragraphs five and eleven; 103, fractions II and III; 104, fractions III and VII; 105, first paragraph, fraction I, subparagraph a), c), d), h), j), l) and second paragraph and fraction II, second paragraph, subparagraphs a), b), d), f), g) and h); 106; 107, fraction XI; 108, first, third and fourth paragraphs; 110, first and second paragraphs; 111, first and fifth paragraphs; the name of Title Five; 115, fraction IV, second paragraph and fraction V, second paragraph; 117, fraction IX, second paragraph; 119, first paragraph; 120; 121, first paragraph and fractions I, III, IV and V; 122; 123, second paragraph, Section A, fraction XXXI and Section B, first paragraph and fractions IV second paragraph, and XIII paragraphs two and three; 124; 125; 127, first paragraph and fraction VI of the second paragraph; 130, paragraph seven; 131, first paragraph; 133; 134, first, second, fifth and seventh paragraphs; and 135, first paragraph; and repeal fraction IX of article 76; and subparagraphs e), f) and k) fraction I of second paragraph, and subparagraph e) of fraction II of the second paragraph, both from article 105, all from the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

FIRST ARTICLE.- This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation, except when contrary to the provisions of the next Transitory Articles.
SECOND ARTICLE.- the standards of the Constitution and legal ordinances applicable to the Federal District effective at the entry into force of this Decree, shall continue applying until the entry into force of the replacements.

THIRD ARTICLE.- Standards related to the election of the local powers of Mexico City shall apply after the 2018 Constitutional Election. The Legislative Assembly of the Federal District is authorized that after the publication of the Political Constitution of Mexico City, enacts the laws inherent to the organization, operation and competences of the Legislative, Executive and Judicial Powers of the City, necessary to exercise the duties established in this Constitution and in Mexico City’s Constitution when taking office. Said laws shall come into force once the Political Constitution of Mexico City goes into force.

Provisions in the third paragraph of Base II of Section A of article 122 of the Constitution in this Decree, shall not be applicable to representatives who are members of the VII Legislative Assembly of the Federal District.

FOURTH ARTICLE.- Standards related to the election of Mayor’s office shall apply after the electoral process for the 2018 constitutional election.

The 2018 Mayor’s offices election shall be based on the territorial division of sixteen territorial demarcations of the Federal Districts effective at the entry into force of this Decree. Councils of the sixteen Mayor’s offices elected in 2018 will include the Mayor and ten Councilors elected under the relative majority and proportional representation principles, in a sixty percent proportion for the first principle and forty percent for the second.

Provisions in subparagraph b) paragraph of Base VI, section A of article 122 of the Constitution herein, shall not be applicable to the heads of the political-administrative bodies of the territorial demarcations of the Federal District elected in 2015, who may not be nominated for the 2018 election to be part of the Mayor’s offices.

The Legislative Assembly of the Federal District is empowered to, after the Political Constitution of Mexico City has been published, enacts the laws inherent to the organization, operation and competences necessary for the City halls starting operations in 2018, exercise their duties referred to in this Constitution and in the Constitution of Mexico City. Said laws shall come into force after the Political Constitution of Mexico City goes into force.

FIFTH ARTICLE.- Government bodies elected in 2012 and 2015 shall remain in office until the end of the period for which they were elected. Their performance shall adjust to the constitutional and legal order and of the Statute of the Government of the Federal District destined to regulate the performance of their duties that had resulted from the competent bodies. The powers and attributions resulting from this Decree of constitutional reforms shall not be applicable to said
government bodies, thus they shall be subject to the constitution and legal provisions effective before the entry into force of this Decree.

**SIXTH ARTICLE.** - Reforms to the first paragraph of section B of article 123 and to Base XI of section A of article 122 related to the legal system of the work relations between Mexico City and its employees shall come into force on January 1, 2020.

While the Legislature of Mexico City exercises the power referred to in Base XI, Section A, Article 122 of the Constitution, work relations between Mexico City and its employees that, until the entry into force of this Decree, had been ruled by the Federal Law for State Workers, regulatory of section B of article 123 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States shall continue ruling by such law, and labor conflicts shall be heard and resolved by the Federal Conciliation and Arbitration Court, until the local competent instance is established in Mexico City.

The employees of the Legislative, Executive and Judicial branches of Mexico City and its territorial demarcations, and its autonomous bodies, as well as state-run entities of local Public Administration shall keep the rights acquired from the application of the legal system that rules them at the entry into force of this Decree.

Mexico City’s public bodies that before the entry into force of this Decree were incorporated to the Institute for Social Security and Services for State Workers, shall continue subject, just like their workers, to the same social security regime.

Mexico City’s public bodies that are not incorporated to the Institute for Social Security and Services for State Workers may sign agreements under the terms of the law of said Institutes for the incorporation and affiliation of workers. The latter as long as Mexico City is complying with its liabilities with the Institute and the institute has the necessary capacity under the terms of its own law.

**SEVENTH ARTICLE.** - Mexico City’s Constituent Assembly shall have one hundred constituent representatives who shall be elected according to the following:

A. Sixty shall be elected according to the proportional representation principle, by a voted list in a single multi-member circumscription, in the following terms:

I. National political parties may request registration of candidates through the lists with sets integrated by proprietary and alternates, as well as citizens by means of independent candidatures, integrated by a set of proprietary and alternates.

II. In the case of independent candidatures the following shall apply:

a) Registration of each set of independent candidates shall require the declaration of will to being candidate and having at least the signature of an amount of citizens equal to one percent of the electoral roll of the Federal District within the terms established for such effect by the National Electoral Institute.
b) With the sets of candidates that meet the requirements of the previous subparagraph, the National Electoral Institute shall make a list of up to sixty sets with the names of the candidates top-down from the date of registration.

c) The electoral ballots shall include a blank space for the voter to cast a vote, as applicable, for the set of the preferred independent candidates, writing down the name or the corresponding number. Only the name or last name of the proprietary candidate will be enough, and, in any case, that is indoubtable for the sense of the vote.

d) After the counting at the polling sites, the National Electoral Institute shall count every set of independent candidates and establish the one obtaining a vote equal or higher to the natural ratio of the appointment formula of the constituent representations.

III. Constituent representations shall be appointed to:

a) Sets of independent candidates who had obtained ballots equal to the highest natural ration, which shall be the result of dividing the valid casted votes between sixty.

b) Political parties the rest of the councils according to the rules provided in article 54 of the Constitution and the General Law of Electoral Institutions and Procedures that result applicable and are not contrary to this Decree.

For this new appointment a new ratio shall be established which shall be de result of dividing the ballots casted once the votes obtained by independent candidates have been deduced, between the number of councils to appoint.

The appointment of constituent representatives shall follow the order of the candidates in the lists presented by political parties.

c) If after applying the distribution in the terms provided in previous subparagraphs there were still constituent representations to distribute, the rest of the higher votes obtained by political parties and independent candidates shall be used.

IV. Provisions of the General Law of Electoral Institutions and Procedures shall be applicable to everything defying to this Decree.

V. Political parties may not participate in the electoral process referred to in this Section as coalitions.

VI. To be elected constituent representative in terms of this Section, the following requirements shall be observed:

a) Being a natural born citizen of Mexico who enjoys full civil and political rights;
b) Being over twenty-one years of age on Election day;

c) Being from the Federal District or neighbor with effective residence of over six months before election day;

d) Being registered in the Federal Electoral Register and holding a voting card;

e) Not being in active duty in the Federal Army, nor holding command of the Federal District Police, at least sixty days before the election;

f) Not being head of any of the bodies to which this Constitution grants autonomy, except when separating from office sixty days before the election;

g) Not being State Secretary or Under State Secretary, nor head of any of the decentralized body of the federal public administration, except when separating from office sixty days before the election day;

h) Not being Minister of the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation or member of the Council of the Federal Judiciary, except when separating from office sixty days before election day;

i) Not being Justice, nor Secretary of the Electoral Court of the Federal Judicial Branch or the Electoral Court of the Federal District, nor Chief Counselor or electoral counselor of the General, local, district or territorial demarcation Councils of the National Electoral Institutes or the Electoral Institute of the Federal District, nor Executive Secretary, Executive Director or directive professional personnel of said Institutes, nor being part of the National Electoral Professional Service, except when definitively separating from office three years before said election;

j) Not being federal legislator, nor representative to the Legislative Assembly of the Federal District, nor Delegation Head, except when separating from office sixty days before the election day; resulting applicable in any case provision in article 125 of the Constitution;

k) Not being Justice of the Superior Court of Justice or the Administrative Dispute Court of the Federal District, nor member of the Judiciary Council of the Federal District, nor Justice or Federal Judge in the Federal District, except when separating from office sixty days before election day;

l) Not being head of any of the bodies of the Federal District with constitutional autonomy, except when separating from office sixty days before election day;

m) Not being secretary in the Federal District Government, nor head of any decentralized body of the local public administration, except when separating from office sixty days before election day;
n) Not being the Minister of any religious worship; and

o) In the case of independent candidates, not being registered in the affiliates list of political parties up to March 2016, not having participated as pre-candidates or candidates to popular election offices nominated by a political party or coalition, in federal or local elections immediately before the election of the Constituent Assembly.

VII. The General Council of the National Electoral Institutes shall issue the Call for the election of constituent representatives within the next fifteen days after the publication of this Decree. The approval agreement of the Call for the election shall establish the dates and terms for the development of the stages of the electoral process according to the provisions in the second paragraph of this transitory article.

VIII. The electoral process shall adjust to the general rules approved by the General Council of the National Electoral Institute. Said rules shall regulate the process according to the purpose of the latter and, consequently, the Institute may adjust the terms established in the electoral legislation in order to guarantee the execution of electoral activities and procedures.

Acts within the electoral process shall limit to proposals and contents related to the constituent process. For such effect the corresponding electoral authorities shall apply strict scrutiny over legality.

The Electoral Court of the Federal Judicial Branch shall be competent to resolve challenges resulting from the electoral process in the terms provided by the applicable laws.

B. Fourteen senators appointed by the vote of two thirds of the members present of the Senate by proposal of the Political Coordination Board.

C. Fourteen federal representatives appointed by the vote of two thirds of the members present of the House, by proposal of the Political Coordination Board.

Federal legislators appointed as constituent representatives in terms of this Section and the previous shall continue in popular election federal offices without article 62 of the constitution being applicable.

D. Six appointed by the President of the Republic.

E. Six appointed by the Governor of the Federal District.

F. All constituent representatives shall exercise their office in an honorary capacity, thus they will not receive any compensation.
The Constituent Assembly shall exclusively exercise all functions of the Constituent Branch for Mexico City and the election for its formation shall take place on the first Sunday of June 2016, to be installed in September 15 of this year, having to approve the Political Constitution of Mexico City before January 31, 2017, by two thirds of its members present.

The five oldest constituent representative shall act as the installation board for the constitutive sitting of the Constituent Assembly. The installation board shall have a Chairmain and two vice-presidents and two secretaries. The longest serving constituent representative shall be the Chairman of the installation Board. The other two longest serving constituent representatives shall act as vice presidents and, as consequently the next two longest serving constituent representatives shall act as Secretaries.

The installation sitting of the Assembly shall be ruled, accordingly, by provisions in article 15 of the Organic Law of the General Congress of the Mexican United States.

The Installation Board shall lead the works for approval of the Regulation for the Internal Government of the Constituent Assembly of Mexico City, which shall be approved within the next ten days after the installation of the Assembly. The internal regulation of the House of Representatives shall be applicable for the discussion and approval of the latter.

Only the Governor of the Federal District can prepare and submit Mexico City’s Political Constitution draft, which shall be discussed, as appropriate modified, added and voted by the Constituent Assembly, without any limitation. The Governor shall send Mexico City’s Political Constitution draft to the Constituent Assembly before or on the day of the installation sitting.

In order to meet their duties, Mexico City’s Constituent Assembly shall create at least three commissions for the discussion and approval of opinions on the Constitution draft.

**EIGHTH ARTICLE.** Once Mexico City’s Political Constitution has been approved and enacted, it may not be vetoed by any authority, and it shall be immediately sent, without further processing, for publication at the Official Gazette of the Federation and the Official Gazette of the Federal District.

Mexico City’s Political Constitution shall come into force on the day appointed for installation of the Legislature, except on electoral matters, which shall be applicable as of January 2017. In case that extraordinary elections need to take place, they shall be according to the electoral legislation effective on the day of publication of this Decree.
The Legislative Assembly of the Federal District may legislate over electoral procedures and institutions that result applicable for the 2017-2018 electoral process.

At the time of publication of Mexico City’s Political Constitution, the Constituent Assembly functions will cease. After that, reforms and additions to Mexico City’s Political Constitution shall be made according to the provision therein.

NINTH ARTICLE.- The integration, organization and operation of the Constituent Assembly of Mexico City shall be only governed by the provisions of this Decree and the Regulation for the Internal Government according to the following bases:

I. Mexico City’s Constituent Assembly shall have the following powers:

a) Elect with the vote of two thirds of the members of its Board of Directors in the terms provided by the Regulation for its Internal Government within five days after the approval of the latter.

In case that after the term stated in the previous paragraph the Board of Directors had not been elected, the Installing Board shall exercise the powers and duties that the Regulation for the Internal Government of the Constituent Assembly grants to the board of directors and its members, accordingly. The Installation Board may not exercise said powers beyond October 5, 2016.

b) Sitting en banc and commissions according to the calls issued for such purposes by the Board of Directors and the leading bodies of their commissions.

c) Pass rulings necessary to comply their duties.

d) Receive the draft of Mexico City’s Political Constitution from the Governor of the Federal District.

e) Discuss, modify, add and vote the draft of Mexico City’s Political Constitution.

f) Approve, enact and order the publication of Mexico City’s Political Constitution.

II. The Constituent Assembly shall have full autonomy for the exercise of powers as Constituent Branch; no authority may interfere or participate in its installation and operation.

III. Mexico City’s Constituent Assembly shall sit in the old seat of the Senate of the Republic in Xicoténcatl. Said House shall determine the seat of the Constituent Assembly for Installation, in case that for facts said venue was not available. The plenary of the Constituent Assembly may determine at any time the habilitation of other venue to sit.
IV. Venues taken by the Mexico City’s Constituent Assembly for the compliance of duty are unbreachable. Federal and Federal District Authorities shall provide the assistance requested by the Chairman of the constituent Assembly to safeguard the unbreachability of the venues taken by the latter to guarantee its members a free exercise of duties.

V. The Constituent Assembly shall sit in banc and in commissions according to the provision of the regulation. Sittings in court shall require the attendance of at least the majority of the total of its members and rulings shall be made with the vote of two thirds of the total of its members. Sittings in commissions shall require the attendance of the majority of its members and rulings shall be made with the vote of the majority present. In all cases discussions shall be limited to the subject of the debate.

VI. Mexico City’s Constituent Assembly shall not interfere under any circumstance in the duties of the Branches of the Union or any agency of the Federal District, nor they will have any authority related to the exercise of the government of the entity. They may not pronounce or make agreements regarding the Federal or Federal District Governments or any other federal or local branch.

TENTH ARTICLE.- When passing the law referred to in paragraph three of section B and the first paragraph of section C of article 122, the Congress of the Union shall prevent that they come into force on the date in which Mexico City’s Political Constitution becomes effective.

ELEVENTH ARTICLE.- All properties in Mexico City assigned for the service provided by the powers of the Federation, as well as any other asset reserved to these shall continue under the jurisdiction of the federal branches.

TWELFTH ARTICLE.- Judges and justices of the Superior Court of Justice of the Federal District shall be become part of the Judicial Branch of Mexico City after it starts operations according to the Political Constitution of said State.

THIRTEENTH ARTICLE.- Motions for review filed against the resolutions of the Administrative Dispute Court of the Federal District, according to provision in article 104, fraction III of this Constitution, pending of resolution at the entry into force of this Decree, shall continue the corresponding processing according to the legal system applicable when filed, until completion.

Should in Mexico City the legal provisions for filing and processing motions of review against resolutions of Mexico City’s Administrative-law Courts had not been enacted, said motions shall be heard and resolved by the Courts of the Federation under the terms of fraction III, article 104 of the Constitution.

FOURTEENTH ARTICLE.- After this Decree becomes effective, all references in this constitution and other legal ordinances to the Federal District shall be understood as referred to Mexico City.
ARTÍCULO FIFTH ARTICLE.- Citizens taking the head of Department of the Federal District, the Governor’s office or the local Executive office, appointed or elected, in no case and under no circumstance may take Mexico City’s Governor’s Office, nor as acting official, provisional, substitute or administrative officer.

ARTÍCULO SIXTH ARTICLE.- Mayor’s offices will have access to the resources of the funds and federal branches as provided by the Tax Coordination Law.

SEVENTEENTH ARTICLE.- Mexico City’s Political Constitution and the local laws shall include in the Mayor’s Office duties, those in the Organic Law of the Public Administration of the Federal District effective at the entry into force of this Decree, established for the heads of political-administrative agencies of the territorial demarcations of the Federal District, based on article 122 of the Constitution.

Mayor’s Offices competences referred to in this transitory article shall be distributed between the Mayor and the City Hall’s Council, according to Base VI, section A, article 122 of the constitution reformed through this Decree.


111. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Monday, June 25, 2016, which reforms fraction XXIX-X to article 73 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

SINGLE. This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.


112. TRANSITORY ARTICLE of the Reform Act published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on Monday, August 15, 2016, which reforms the second paragraph of article 11 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States.

SINGLE. This decree shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

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**224** Reform Act that reforms subparagraph a) of base II of article 41, and the first paragraph of fraction VI Section A of article 123; that **adds** paragraphs sixth and seventh to Section B of article 26 of the Political Constitution of the Mexican United States. 27-01-2016

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**223** Reform Act that reforms subparagraph a) of fraction XXI of article 73 of the Political Constitution of the Mexican United States. 10-07-2015

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207 Reform Act that reforms paragraphs first and last of article 25, as well as the first paragraph and third of Section A of article 26, ambos of the Political Constitution of the Mexican United States. 5-06-2013

206 Reform Act that reforms articles 3th., fractions III, VII and VIII, and 73, fraction XXV; and adds a third paragraph, subparagraph d) to second paragraph of fraction II and fraction IX, of article 3th., of the Political Constitution of the Mexican United States. 26-02-2013

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*Errata*