

**DECREE-LAW NO. 691 DATED 22 JUNE 2017**

**ON CERTAIN AMENDMENTS TO BE MADE UNDER THE STATE OF  
EMERGENCY**

**ARTICLE 6** – The phrase “and those who were found to have an affiliation or connection to terrorist organizations” has been added to Article 7 of the Notary Public Law no. 1512, dated 18 January 1972, following the phrase “conviction restricting notary internship”.

**ARTICLE 7** – The phrase “one year” contained in the first subparagraph of Article 20/A of the Anti-Terror Law no. 3713, dated 12 April 1991 has been replaced by the phrase “two years” and the following paragraphs have been added to the said Article:

“In actions brought for compensating the losses sustained by real or legal persons or public institutions or organizations based on the offenses that fall within the first paragraph, in case the defendant’s address is not existent in the address registry or if the address is unsuitable for notification, the court shall announce the summary of the motion through a newspaper which is circulated nationwide with at least fifty-thousand copies. In the announcement made, the defendant shall be warned that if he/she fails to submit within one month an address suitable for notification or an e-mail address registered as per Article 7/a of the Law on Notification no. 7201, dated 11 February 1959, or fails to represent him/herself during the trial by a lawyer, the trial would continue in absentia, that a judgment would be given without further notifications during any stages of the trial and that the judgment shall be communicated through the same procedure. Notifications to be drafted in respect of a defendant residing in a foreign country shall include the aforementioned issues and the warning that no further notifications shall be made to the foreign address.

Should the actions brought as per the first paragraph result in a partial or full rejection, a fixed attorney’s fee shall be incurred by the plaintiff. The fee to be determined shall not exceed the value claimed in the action.”

**ARTICLE 9** – The following subparagraph has been added to the second paragraph of Article 20 of the Law on Mediation in Legal Disputes, no. 6325, dated 7 June 2012, following the subparagraph (ç) and the present subparagraph (d) is renumbered as subparagraph (e).

“d) Having no affiliation or connection to terrorist organizations,”

**ARTICLE 10** – The following subparagraph has been added to the first paragraph of Article 10 of the Law on Expertise, no. 6754, dated 3 November 2016, following subparagraph (a) and the following subparagraphs were renumbered accordingly.

“b) Having no affiliation or connection to terrorist organizations.”