THE AMENDMENTS MADE ON THE REGULATION ON THE PROCEDURES AND THE PRINCIPLES RELATED TO POPULATION MOVEMENTS AND ALIENS ARRIVING IN TURKEY EITHER AS INDIVIDUALS OR IN GROUPS WISHING TO SEEK ASYLUM EITHER FROM TURKEY OR REQUESTING RESIDENCE PERMISSION IN ORDER TO SEEK ASYLUM FROM ANOTHER COUNTRY

Article 1- The 4th Article of the Regulation on the Procedures and the Principles Related to Population Movements and Aliens Arriving in Turkey either as Individuals or in Groups Wishing to Seek Asylum either from Turkey or Requesting Residence Permission in Order to Seek Asylum from Another Country, which had been decreed by the Council of Ministers on 14/9/1994 has been amended as follows:

Article 4- Individual aliens who are either seeking asylum from Turkey or requesting residence permission in order to seek asylum from a third country shall apply within ten days to [any] local governorate if they entered the country legally; and if they entered illegally, shall apply within ten days to the governorate of the province where they entered the country. In case it is deemed necessary in terms of national security, the a/m period can be shortened upon consultation with the MFA.

Those who do not apply in accordance with the first paragraph of this article will be treated according to the instructions specified in the Regulation on Passport, numbered 5682 and the Regulation on Foreigners' Residence and Travelling in Turkey, numbered 5683.

Article 2- The following paragraph has been added to the Regulation's 6th Article and after the third paragraph:

"Those aliens whose applications not accepted may appeal before the competent governorship within 15 days. The appeal letter and it's supporting documents shall be submitted to the MOI through the competent governorship. The appeal shall be assessed by the superior official of the previous decision maker and the decision shall be notified to the foreigner.

Article 3- This regulation will be applicable as of the date of its publication.

Article 4- The articles decreed by this regulation shall be applied by the Council of Ministers.