

# THE LAW No. 6 of 10 JUNE 1996 OF THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN

## “ON COPYRIGHT AND RELATED RIGHTS”

### Chapter 1 General Provisions

This Law regulates relations in the field of intellectual property that arise from creation and use of works of science, literature and art (copyright), staging, performances, phonograms, transmissions of on-air and cable broadcasting organizations (related rights).

### Article 2 Main Terms Used in This Law

The following main terms are used in this Law:

- 1) **author** – shall mean a natural person whose creative activity resulted in a work of science, literature and art;
- 2) **copyright** – shall mean property and personal non-property rights of the author;
- 3) **technical means of copyright and related right protection** – shall mean technology (programme technology) or its components that control access to copyright works or objects of related rights and prevent or restrict actions prohibited by the author, owner of related rights, or other owner of exclusive copyright or related rights;
- 4) **pirated copy of copyright and (or) related rights object** – shall mean a copy of work, recorded performance, phonogram, transmission of an on-air and cable broadcasting organization, manufacturing, distribution or other use of which entails a violation of copyright and (or) related rights in the view of the provisions of this Law or the rules of international treaties ratified by the Republic of Kazakhstan. Copies of copyright and (or) related rights objects shall also be acknowledged as pirated if their information on management rights has been removed or changed without permission of the right holder or if they were produced with illegal use of devices that enable circumvention of technical protection of copyright and (or) related rights;
- 5) **copyright contract** - a contract which subject is the transfer of property rights to use one or more objects of copyright. The copyright contract is variation of license agreement;
- 6) **non-exclusive right** – shall mean the right when along with the right holder another person may use the work under the relevant permission of the author, except for cases stipulated by this Law;
- 7) **exclusive right** – shall mean the property right of the author or another rightholder to use the work, performance, staging, phonogram, transmission of on-air or cable broadcasting organizations in any way at his/her discretion within the time period stipulated by this Law;
- 8) **accreditation** – shall mean procedure of acknowledgement by the authorized body of competence of organizations on collective management of rights stipulated by the present Law;

- 8-1) **information and communications network** – shall mean a set of technical and hardware and software interoperability between information systems, or their components, as well as transmission of information resources;
- 9) **database** – shall mean a set of data (articles, calculations, facts etc) which presents the result of creative activity by nature of their selection and (or) layout of materials and is systematized in the way that makes it possible for them to be found and processed with use of electronic computers. The term of database does not apply to the electronic computer program which allows e-access to the materials stored in the database;
- 10) **audiovisual work** - shall mean a work which consists of fixed series of interrelated shots or images (with or without accompanying sounds) that are intended for visual and aural (when accompanied with sounds) perception with the use of suitable technical devices. Audiovisual works include cinematographic works and all works that are expressed with devices similar to cinematographic (tele- and video-films, diapositive films and slide-films and other similar works) irrespective of the form of their initial and further fixation;
- 11) **producer of an audiovisual work** - shall mean a natural or legal person who took an initiative and liability for creating such work . Unless otherwise proved, a person whose name or title is indicated on this work shall be recognized as producer of the work;
- 12) **recording** – shall mean fixation of sounds and (or) images with use of technical devices by any means and in any form that allows their repeated perception, reproduction or transmission;
- 13) **making available to public** - shall mean communication of copyright and (or) related rights objects by wire or wireless means when the public may have access to them from any place and at any time at their choice (interactive regime);
- 14) **publication** – shall mean offering to the public with the consent of the author or another right holder of copyright or related rights copies of the work, recording of performance or phonogram in the quantity that satisfy reasonable needs of the public;
- 14-1) **internet recourse** – shall mean an electronic information resource, technology of its operation and (or) use in the open information and communication network, as well as organizational structure providing information interaction;
- 15) **communication to the public via cable** - shall mean communication of the work, phonogram, performance, transmission of an on-air and cable broadcasting organization to public via cable, wire, optical fiber or with help of similar means;
- 16) **public performance** - shall mean performance of the work through declamation, play, dance or by any other way including with the help of technical means in places where persons who do not belong to the family are present or may be present;
- 17) **public demonstration** – shall mean demonstration of the original or copy of the work directly or as a slide, film shot, tele-shot on the screen with help of any other technical means or by any other way (with respect to an audiovisual work – demonstration of separate shots without their sequence being observed), in places where persons which do not belong to the family are present or may be present;
- 18) **reproducing (reprographic reproduction)** – shall mean facsimile reproduction in any size and form of one or more copies of originals or copies of written and other graphic works through photocopying or with help of other technical means, different from publication; Reprographic reproduction does not mean storage or reproduction of indicated copies in electronic (including digital), optical or other machine-readable form;
- 19) **reproduction** - shall mean production of one or more permanent or temporary copies of copyright or related rights objects in any way or in any form, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly. Types of reproduction are manufacture of audio or video recording of one or more copies of the two-dimensional or three-dimensional work, as well as any permanent or

temporary storage of copyright or related rights objects in any material form, including open information and communication network;

- 20) **right holder** – shall mean the author (his/her successors) with respect to copyright, the performer (his/her successors), producer of a phonogram, an on-air and cable broadcasting organization with respect to related rights, as well as other natural or legal persons which obtained the rights to use the works and (or) objects of related rights under the contract or on other grounds stipulated by this Law;
- 21) **information on rights management** – shall mean information which identifies the work, the author of the work, performer, performance of the performer, producer of a phonogram, phonogram, right holder of the work, performance or phonogram or information on terms of use of the work, performance or phonogram. Information on rights management shall also mean any figures or codes that contain such information, when any of this information elements is attached to the copy of the work, recorded performance or phonogram or when it appears due to communication of the work and (or) making available of the recorded performance or phonogram to public;
- 22) **compound work** – shall mean a collection (encyclopedia, anthology, database) of works and other materials that present by its selection and (or) arrangement the result of creative activity;
- 23) **performance** – shall mean presentation of the work, phonogram, performance, staging through playing, singing, dancing alive or with use of technical devices (TV programs, broadcasting, cable TV etc) as well as presentation of the audiovisual work shots in their sequence with or without sound;
- 24) **performer** – shall mean an actor, singer, musician, dancer and any other person who acts, sings, delivers, declaims, plays a musical instrument or otherwise performs literary and (or) artistic works (including pop, circus or puppet trick) or expressions of folklore, as well as production director and musical director;
- 25) **user** – natural or legal person who use or provide use of copyright and related rights objects;
- 26) **renting (leasing)** – shall mean providing a copy of the work or phonogram for temporary use for the purpose of obtaining direct or indirect commercial profit;
- 27) **related rights** - shall mean property rights of the performer, producer of phonogram, on-air and cable broadcasting organization and personal non-property rights of the performer;
- 28) **work of arts and crafts** – shall mean two-dimensional or three-dimensional work of art transferred to the objects of everyday use, including the work of art crafts or a work produced by industrial means;
- 29) **producer of play** – shall mean a person who accomplished staging of a theatre, circus, puppet, pop and other play (performance);
- 30) **translation of work** – shall mean expression of the work in the language that differs from the language of the original work. Translation must be reliable and not to distort the content nor the style of the original work;
- 31) **copy of work** – shall mean a copy of work made in any material form, including the one contained in a public information and communications network;
- 32) **published works** – shall mean taking an action with the consent of the author that makes the work accessible for public for the first time through its publication, public show, public performance, making available to public and by other means;
- 33) **processing of the work** – shall mean change of the original work from one genre to another. There are the following types of processing of the work: staging, performance and arrangement of the original work;
- 34) **derivative work** - shall mean a work that was created as a result of creative processing of another work;

- 35) **authorized body** – shall mean a state body determined by the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan and exercising state regulation in the field of copyright and related rights;
- 36) **phonogram** – shall mean recording of performances or other sounds and also presentation of sounds in any form, except for recording incorporated into the audiovisual work;
- 37) **a copy of the phonogram** – a copy of the phonogram in any tangible medium, including the one contained in public information and communication network, produced directly or indirectly from a phonogram and incorporating all or part of the sounds recorded thereon;
- 38) **producer of a phonogram** – shall mean a natural person or a legal entity who took over an initiative and liability for the first audio recording of a certain performance or other sounds;
- 39) **work of amateur and folk arts** – shall mean a work including peculiar elements of traditional art heritage (folk fairy tales, folk poetry, folk songs, instrumental folk music, folk dances and plays, artistic forms of folk traditions etc);
- 40) **electronic computer program** - shall mean a set of commands expressed in words, schemes or in any other form which writing on the machine-readable material medium shall ensure accomplishment or achievement of a certain task or result by the electronic computer, including preparation materials, the nature of which is such that the electronic computer program is their result at a later stage;
- 41) **decompiling the electronic computer program** – shall mean a technical method that includes changing of the object code to an incoming text with the aim to study the structure and code for the electronic computer program;
- 42) **adaptation of an electronic computer or database program** – shall mean making changes to electronic computer programs or database solely for the purpose to ensure operation of the electronic computer or database program on specific technical means of the user or under supervision of specific user`s programs;
- 43) **modification (processing) of the electronic computer or database program**– shall mean any change of the electronic computer or database program that are not adaptation;
- 44) **broadcasting** – shall mean communication of works, performances, plays, phonograms, transmissions of on-air or cable broadcasting organizations to public (including demonstration or performance) through their broadcasting on radio or TV (except for cable TV). When communicating works, performances, plays, phonograms, transmissions of on-air and cable broadcasting organizations via satellite, broadcasting shall mean receipt of signals from earth station to the satellite and transmission of the signal from the satellite through which works, performances, plays, phonograms, transmissions of on-air and cable broadcasting organizations may be communicated to public irrespective of their actual receipt by the public. Transmission of coded signals shall be broadcasting if the decoding means are provided to the public by the on-air broadcasting organization or with its consent;
- 45) **subsequent broadcasting** – shall mean transmission via cable of works or objects of related rights that were previously broadcasted or communicated to public;
- 45-1) **on-air and cable broadcasting organizations** – natural and juridical persons providing on-air and (or) cable communication of TV and radio channels, TV and radio programs that include works, performances, plays and phonograms. On-air and (or) cable communication is performed by analogue on-air, multichannel broadcasting (digital, on-air, satellite, cable tele- and radio broadcasting)
- 46) **transmissions of on-air and cable broadcasting organization**- shall mean a transmission created by the on-air and cable broadcasting organization itself, as well as upon its order at the expense of another organization;

### **Article 3**

## **Legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan on Copyright and Related Rights**

Legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan on copyright and related rights consists of the Civil Code, of this Law and other legal acts issued in accordance with this Law.

### **Article 4**

## **International Agreements**

Where an international treaty, which is ratified by the Republic of Kazakhstan, stipulates rules that differ from those laid down in this Law, then the provisions of that international treaty shall apply.

## **Chapter II**

### **Copyright**

### **Article 5**

## **Scope of Validity of the Copyright**

1. Under this Law, the copyright shall apply to:
  - 1) the works published in the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan or not-published but staying in any objective form in the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan, irrespective of citizenship of authors and their assignee;
  - 2) the works published outside the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan or unpublished but staying in any objective form outside the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan, and recognized as belonging to the authors – citizens of the Republic of Kazakhstan and their assignees;
  - 3) the works published outside the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan or unpublished but staying in any objective form outside the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan, and recognized as belonging to the authors (their assignees) – foreigners, persons without citizenship under the international treaties ratified by the Republic of Kazakhstan.
2. The work shall be considered as published in the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan, if within thirty days from the date of its first publication outside the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan it was published in the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan.
3. When the work is protected in the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan in compliance with international treaties, the author of the work shall be determined under the law of the state where an action or a circumstance that served as a basis for possessing copyright took place.
4. Protection to the work in accordance with the international treaties ratified by the Republic of Kazakhstan shall be provided if:
  - it is not transferred to the public property in the originating country which is determined under the relevant international treaty, ratified by the Republic of Kazakhstan, due to expiration of the copyright term of protection in that country, and
  - is not transferred to the public property in the Republic of Kazakhstan due to expiration of the copyright.

### **Article 6**

## **Copyright Object. General Provisions**

1. Copyright shall extend to works of science, literature, and arts, which are the result of the creative activity, irrespective of their designation, contents and merits, as well as of their method of expression and form.

2. Copyright shall extend both to published (issued, publicly performed, publicly demonstrated), and to unpublished works which exist in some objective form:

- 1) written form (manuscript, typewriting, note writing, etc.);
- 2) verbal form (public announcement, public performance, etc.);
- 3) audio- or video recording (mechanical, digital, magnetic, optical, etc.);
- 4) images (picture, sketch, painting, plan, drawing, cinematographic, television, video or photo shot, etc.);
- 5) volume and spatial form (sculpture, pattern, model, construction, etc.);
- 6) other forms.

3. Part of a work (including its title and names of characters) which possesses the properties indicated in Paragraph 1 of this Article and may be used independently, shall be the copyright object.

4. Copyright shall not apply to ideas, conceptions, principles, methods, systems, processes, discoveries, facts.

5. Copyright for a work shall not be associated with the proprietary right for the material object in which the work is embodied.

Transfer of the property right or possession right on any material object shall not entail transfer of copyright for a work embodied into this object except for cases specified in this Law.

## **Article 7**

### **Works That Are Copyright Objects**

1. The following shall be copyright objects:

- 1) literary works;
- 2) dramatic and musical-dramatic works;
- 3) scenario works;
- 4) choreographic works, pantomimes;
- 5) musical works with or without a text;
- 6) audiovisual works;
- 7) works of painting, sculpture, graphics, and other graphic art works;
- 8) applied arts works;
- 9) works of architecture, town-planning and park and horticulture;
- 10) photographic works and works made by means similar to photography;
- 11) maps, plans, sketches, illustrations and three dimensional works related to geography, topography and other sciences;
- 12) computer programs;
- 13) other works.

2. Protection of electronic computer programs shall apply to all types of electronic computer programs (including operational systems) which may be expressed in any language and in any form, including the incoming text and object code.

3. The following shall also be referred to copyright objects:

- 1) derivative works (translations, processing, annotations, reports, summaries, reviews, staging, musical arrangements and other remaking of works of science, literature, and art);
- 2) collections (encyclopedias, anthologies, databases) and other compound works which present the result of creative activity according to an assortment and (or) an arrangement of materials.

Derivative and compound works shall be protected by the copyright, irrespective of whether the works on which they are based or which they include are the copyright objects.

## **Article 8**

### **Works that are not Copyright Objects**

The following shall not be copyright objects:

- 1) official documents (laws, court decisions, other texts of legislative, administrative, judicial, and diplomatic nature), and their official translations;
- 2) state emblems and signs (flags, emblems, decorations, banknotes, and other state symbols and signs);
- 3) works of folklore;
- 4) messages about events and facts which are of informational nature.

## **Article 9**

### **Emergence of Copyright Authorship Presumption**

1. The copyright for works of science, literature and art shall emerge by virtue of the fact of their creation. Registration of a work or special legalization of a work or following formalities shall not be required for the copyright to emerge and enforce.

To notify of his/her exclusive property rights, the author and (or) the right owner shall have the right to use a copyright protection sign, which is placed on each copy of the work and mandatory consists of three elements:

- 1) of a circled Latin letter "C";
- 2) of a name (title) of the exclusive copyright owner;
- 3) of a year of the first publication of the work.

The author in order to prove personal non-property rights to the unpublished work, and the right owner in order to prove possession of exclusive property rights to the work at any time within the period of a copyright protection or within the period of validity of relevant agreements, shall have the right to register them in official registers. Registration shall be accomplished by the authorized body in the order prescribed by this Law.

2. Unless proved otherwise, a person indicated as an author on the original or copy of the work shall be considered the author of the work.

3. When publishing the work anonymously or under pseudonym (except for cases when the author's pseudonym does not cause doubt in his/her personality), unless proved otherwise, the editor whose name or title is indicated on the work shall be considered as the author's representative in compliance with this Law, and this capacity shall have the right to protect the author's rights and ensure their enforcement. This provision shall apply until the author of the work does not disclose himself/herself and does not claim his/her authorship.

4. When a natural person who considers himself/herself the author of the non-published typescript work in order to prevent its illegal use or misappropriation considers it necessary to submit it for storage, the authorized body shall accept the typescript and issue the person who submitted the typescript a certificate indicating the date of its acceptance.

The procedure for submission, acceptance and storage of typescripts shall be determined by the authorized body.

### **Article 9-1. The state registration of rights protected by copyright**

1. The state registration of rights protected by copyright (hereinafter - state registration) shall be conducted by the authorized body within twenty working days from receipt of the application of the author (s) or copyright owner.

State registration shall be based on the application of the author (s) or right holder.

Application forms for registration of copyright are approved by the authorized body.

2. The application for state registration shall consist of the data about the author (s), surname, first name in full, residence, contact telephone numbers, data of the document certifying the identity of the applicant.

If the application is submitted by the right holder - legal address is stated.

If the copyright work is derivative, it is necessary to specify the name and surname of the author (s) of the used work.

3. The following documents are presented for registration of rights on literary, scientific, dramatic, and scenario works:

- 1) application;
- 2) copy of the work;
- 3) copy of the document certifying the identity of the applicant;
- 4) original of the document confirming payment of fee for state registration.

4. The following documents are presented for registration of rights on musical work with or without text and musical-dramatic work:

- 1) application;
- 2) recording of work, text, notes in a score or piano-vocal score;
- 3) copy of the document certifying the identity of the applicant;
- 4) original of the document confirming payment of fee for state registration.

The rights on musical work created in separate co-authorship can be registered either separately, providing the rights of co-author, or jointly.

5. The following documents are presented for the registration of rights on the work of choreography, pantomimes, audiovisual work:

- 1) application;
- 2) recording of work;
- 3) description of the work;
- 4) copy of the document certifying the identity of the applicant;
- 5) original of the document confirming payment of state registration fee.

6. The following documents are presented for registration of rights on works of architecture, urban planning and landscape architecture:

- 1) application;
- 2) sketches, blueprints, drawings;
- 3) detailed description of the work;
- 4) copy of the document certifying the identity of the applicant;
- 5) original of the document confirming payment of fee for state registration.

7. The following documents are presented for registration of rights on the works of painting, sculpture, graphics, fine and applied art:

- 1) application;
- 2) copy of work or image of a work in the form of photographs;
- 3) detailed description of the work;
- 4) copy of the document certifying the identity of the applicant;
- 5) original of the document confirming payment of fee for state registration.

8. The following documents are presented for the registration of rights on photographic works and works obtained by processes similar to photography, as well as maps, plans, sketches, illustrations and three-dimensional works relative to geography, topography and other sciences:

- 1) application;



- 2) copy of the work;
- 3) copy of the document certifying the identity of the applicant;
- 4) original of the document confirming payment of fee for state registration.

9. The following documents are presented for the registration of rights on computer programs or databases:

- 1) application;
- 2) media (floppy disk or other electronic media) with the program and source code (incoming text) for computer or database;
- 3) abstract of a computer program or database, including the name of a computer program or database, name (surname, first name) of the applicant, date of creation, scope, purpose, functionality, basic specifications, programming language, type of computer ;
- 4) copy of the document certifying the identity of the applicant;
- 5) original of the document confirming payment of fee for state registration.

Computer programs (software systems) which include several computer programs are subject to registration as a whole.

10. Works intended to distinguish the goods (services) of one natural or legal person from similar goods (services) of other natural or legal persons shall not be registered as copyrights.

11. For registration of rights on service works created in the performance of official duties or duty of the employer, in addition to the documents submitted for registration, it is necessary to submit a copy of the employment contract; in case of concluding an additional agreement between the author and the employer on the ownership of the property rights to use a service work - copy of such contract and copy of the reference on state registration (re-registration) of juridical person.

If the right holder of a work is a legal person, in addition to the documents submitted for registration it is necessary to submit a copy of the certificate on state registration (re-registration) of juridical person.

12. A copy of the copyright contract concluded with the author (s) or right holder of the original work shall be submitted for the registration of rights on the compound or derivative works.

13. Materials submitted for registration shall be numbered, bound and initialed by the author (s) or right holder.

14. Examination of completeness of documents submitted and the accuracy of their processing is carried out within ten working days.

In the case if documents are found to be incomplete the authorized body, at the time specified, gives justified refusal in consideration and returns documents that were provided.

After elimination of the authorized body's comments the author (authors) or right holder has the right to re-apply for registration.

15. Works submitted for state registration shall be examined to check whether they are properly fixed at the medium.

16. Proof of state registration of works protected by copyright shall be the issue of a certificate on state registration. Form of certificate of state registration of copyright shall be approved by the authorized body.

17. Upon application of the author (s) or right holder on loss or deterioration of a certificate of state registration the authorized body within ten working days issues its duplicate.

18. A fee shall be charged for state registration of works protected by copyright, as well as their re-registration, the issuance of a duplicate of the document certifying the registration of rights on works protected by copyright in accordance with the tax legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

## **Article 10**

### **Co-Authorship**

1. Copyright to the work created by joint creative activity of two or more persons (co-authorship) shall belong to the co-authors jointly irrespective of whether such work constitutes a single whole or consists of parts and each part has its own independent meaning.

A part of the work shall be recognized as having its own independent meaning if it can be used independently from other parts of this work.

Each of the co-authors shall have the right to use his/her part of the work that has its own independent meaning at his/her discretion unless otherwise provided by the agreement between them.

2. The right to use the work as a whole shall belong to co-authors jointly. Relations between the co-authors may be determined by the agreement between them. Where the work of the co-authors constitutes a single whole none of the co-authors shall have the right to prohibit use of the work without sufficient grounds thereon.

3. Each of the co-authors shall have the right on his/her behalf, also without getting permission from other co-authors, to take measures stipulated by this Law and other legal acts of the Republic of Kazakhstan associated with protection of his/her rights unless otherwise provided by the agreement between them.

## **Article 11**

### **Copyright to Compound Works**

1. The author of the collection and other compound works (compiler) shall possess the copyright to the selection and (or) layout of materials accomplished by him/her that represent result of creative activity (compilation).

The compiler shall enjoy the copyright under the condition to observe the rights of each author of each work included into the compound work.

Authors of the works included into the compound work shall have the right to use their works irrespective of the compound work unless otherwise provided by the author's agreement.

The copyright of the compiler shall not impede other persons to accomplish independent selection and (or) layout of the same materials to create compound works.

2. The editor who publishes encyclopedias, encyclopedia reference books, periodic and continuous collections of scientific works, newspapers, magazines and other periodicals, shall have exclusive rights to use such works as a single whole. When using such works in any way, the editor shall have the right to indicate his/her name or to claim such indication.

Authors of works included in such periodicals shall keep exclusive rights to use their works irrespective of the periodical as a whole.

## **Article 12**

### **Copyright to Derivative Works**

1. Translators and authors of other derivative works shall have the copyright to their translation, alteration, arrangement or other processing of the work.

A translator and an author of another derivative work shall enjoy copyright to the work created by him/her provided that he/she observes the rights of the author of the work that was subject to translation, alteration, arrangement or other processing.

2. The copyright of translators and authors of other derivative works shall not prevent other people to accomplish translations and processing of the same works.

## **Article 13**

### **Copyright for Audiovisual Works**

1. The following persons shall be the authors (co-authors) of audiovisual works:
  - 1) author of the scenario;
  - 2) author of the musical work (with or without words) that is specifically created for this audiovisual work (composer);
  - 3) producer;
  - 4) camera operator;
  - 5) stage director.

The author of the previously created work that was processed and included into the audiovisual work as its integral part, shall also be considered co-author of the audiovisual work.

2. Signing an authorship agreement on creation of an audiovisual work (or transfer of the right on previously created works) except for the case stipulated by paragraph 3 of this Article shall entail transfer by the authors of this work (or authors and other right owners of the previously created works) of exclusive rights to the producer of the audiovisual work to use the audiovisual work unless otherwise provided by the authorship agreement.

Producer of the audiovisual work shall have the right to indicate his/her name or title or claim such indication when using this work in any way.

3. The author of the musical work (with or without words) that is specifically created for the audiovisual work shall reserve the right to get royalty for use of this musical work for each public performance of the audiovisual work, its public announcement as well as for renting (leasing) the copies of audiovisual work.

4. Authors of works that are included into the audiovisual work as its integral part that both existed earlier (author of the novel used as basis for scenario etc), and created in the course of work on it (camera operator ; stage director, etc) shall enjoy copyright each for his/her work.<sup>1</sup>

## **Article 14**

### **Copyright to Official Service Works**

1. Personal non-property right of the author to the work created in the course of fulfilling official service functions or official service task of the employer (official service work) shall belong to the author of the official service work.
2. Property rights to use official service work shall belong to the employer unless provided otherwise by the contract signed between him/her and the author and not otherwise provided.
3. In any case of use of the official service work, the employer shall have the right to indicate his/her name or to claim such indication.
4. Provisions of this Article shall not apply to creation in the course of fulfilling official service functions or official service task of the employer of encyclopedias, encyclopedia reference-books, periodic and on-going collections of scientific works, newspapers, magazines and other periodicals (Paragraph 2 Article 11 of this law).

## **Article 15**

### **Personal Non-Property Rights**

1. The following personal non-property rights shall belong to the author with regard to his/her work:
  - 1) the right to be recognized as the author of the work and claim such recognition, also through due indication of the author's name on copies of the work and at any public use if appropriate (authorship right);

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<sup>1</sup> Changes are made into Article 13 by the RK Law #586 as of 09.07.2004; #90 as of 22.11.2005 (see Art.2 of the Law on the procedure for bringing into effect)

- 2) the right to indicate and claim indication of a fictitious name (pseudonym) of the author instead of his/her real name or to refuse to indicate the name, i.e. anonymously (right to the name);
  - 3) the right to inviolability of the work including its name, to oppose to any distortion, misinterpretation or other change of the work, also to any other encroachment that may cause damage to honor and reputation of the author (the right to protection of the author's reputation);
  - 4) the right to open access to the work for indefinite circle of people (the right to disclosure), with the exception of works created in the performance of official duties or of duty of the employer.
2. The author shall have the right to renounce the decision that he/she made earlier on publication (the right to renounce) on the assumption of compensation of damages caused to the user by this decision, including loss of profit. If the work is already published, the author shall be obliged to notify on its recall publicly. In this respect, he/she shall have the right to withdraw copies of the work that were already made, from circulation at his/her expense.
3. Personal non-property rights shall belong to the author irrespective of his/her property rights and shall stay as such in case of concession of exclusive rights to use the work.
4. Personal non-property rights provided by this Article shall be inalienable.
5. Personal non-property rights after the author's death shall be enforced according to the procedure stipulated in Article 30 of this Law.

## **Article 16**

### **Property Rights**

1. The author or any other right holder shall have property (exclusive) rights to use this work in any form and by any means.
2. Exclusive rights of the author to use the work shall mean the right to take, permit or forbid taking the following actions:
  - 1) reproduce the work (right to reproduction);
  - 2) distribute the original or copies of works by any means: sell, modify, rent (lease), perform other operations, including in public information and communication network (right of distribution);
  - 3) import copies of the work for distribution purposes, including copies made with consent of the author or other right holder (right to import);
  - 4) publicly demonstrate the work (right to public demonstration);
  - 5) publicly perform the work (right to public performance);
  - 6) communicate the work to public, including broadcasting or communication via cable (right of communication to public);
  - 7) broadcast the work, including the first and (or) subsequent broadcasting to public (right to broadcast);
  - 8) communicate the work via cable, including the first and (or) subsequent communication to public via cable (right of communication to public via cable);
  - 9) translate the work (right to translation);
  - 10) alter, arrange or otherwise process the work (right to processing);
  - 10-1) making available to public (right of making available to public);
  - 11) other actions that do not contradict legislative acts of the Republic of Kazakhstan.
3. Where copies of the legally published work are put into circulation through their sale, their further distribution shall be possible without the author's consent and free of royalty.

The right to distribute the original or copies of the work through their renting (leasing), irrespective of the right of ownership to those copies, shall belong to the author or to the right holder with respect to:

- 1) musical work (musical text);
  - 2) the work fixed in the phonogram;
  - 3) audiovisual work;
  - 4) database;
  - 5) electronic computer program.
4. Exclusive right to use architectural, town-planning and landscape projects shall include also practical implementation of such projects.
5. The author or other right holder shall have the right to royalties for each type of use of the work, the size and the procedure for calculation of which shall be determined by the author's contract, as well as contracts signed between organizations that manage property rights of authors on collective basis.
6. Limitations of property rights stipulated by paragraph 2 of this Article shall be established by Articles 18-26 of this Law provided that such limitations do not cause damage to normal use of the work and do not infringe legal interests of the author and right holder.

#### **Article 16-1** **Minimal Rates of Royalties**

Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan sets minimum rates of remuneration in cases where the practical realization of the property (exclusive) rights on an individual basis cannot be done due to the nature of the work or the peculiarities of its use (public performance, including radio and television, reproduction of works by means of mechanical, magnetic or other recording, reproducing, reproduction of works for private purposes without the consent of the author and other cases).

#### **Article 17** **The Right to Access Fine Arts Works. Resale Royalty Right.**

1. The author of the fine arts work shall have the right to claim from the owner of the work an opportunity to enforce the right to reproduce his/her work (access right). However, the owner of the work cannot be claimed to deliver the work to the author.
2. In each case of public (via auction, fine arts gallery, fine arts salon, shop etc) re-sale of the original of the fine arts work after the first alienation of the right of ownership on such fine arts work, the author or his/her heirs shall have the right to get royalty from the seller in the amount of five per cent from the re-sale price (resale royalty right). This right shall be inalienable during the life of the author and shall transfer exclusively to heirs of the author under the law or under will for the period of the copyright validity.
3. Transfer of the right of ownership to the fine arts work (for payment or gratis) from the author to another person shall mean the first alienation of this work.

#### **Article 18** **Reproduction of the Work for Personal Purposes without consent of the Author or Right holder and without Payment of Royalties**

1. It shall be allowed for a natural person, without consent of the author or right holder and without payment of royalties, to reproduce in a single copy the legally published works exclusively for personal use and without profit, except for cases stipulated by Article 26 of this Law.
2. The provision of Paragraph 1 of this Article shall not apply to:

- 1) reproduction of works of architecture in the form of buildings and similar constructions;
- 2) reproduction of data bases or their significant parts;
- 3) reproduction of electronic computer programs, except for cases stipulated by Article 24 of this Law;
- 4) reproducing (reprographic reproduction) of books (in full) and musical texts.

### **Article 19**

#### **Use of the Work without Consent of the Author or Right holder and without Payment of Royalties**

1. It shall be allowed, without consent of the author or right holder and without payment of royalties, but with compulsory indication of the author's name, whose work is being used, and of the borrowing resource:

- 1) cite in the original and translations for scientific, research, polemic, critical and information purposes from the legally published works in the size that is justified for the citation purposes, including reproduction of extracts from newspaper and magazine articles in the form of periodical reviews;
- 2) use legally published works and extracts thereof for the purpose of illustration in periodicals, in radio- and TV programs, in audio- and video-recordings of training nature, in the volume justified for this purpose;
- 3) reproduce in newspapers, broadcast or communicate to public via cable articles on current economic, political, social and religious aspects that are legally published in newspapers and magazines or broadcasted works of such nature, where such reproduction, broadcasting or communication via cable were not specifically forbidden by the author;
- 4) reproduce in newspapers, broadcast or communicate to public via cable the publicly delivered political speeches, addresses, reports and other similar works in the volume justified for the information purposes. However, the author shall reserve the right to publish such works in work collections;
- 5) reproduce or communicate to public in the reviews of current events through photographic or cinematographic means, via broadcasting or communication to public via cable of works that become seen or heard in the course of such actions, in the volume justified for the information purposes. However, the author shall reserve the right to publish such works in work collections;
- 6) reproduce legally published works without profit, through relief-point printing or by other special means for blind people, except for works that are specifically created for such reproduction means.

### **Article 20**

#### **Use of Works though Reproducing**

It shall be allowed without consent of the author or another right holder and without payment of royalties, but with compulsory indication of the author, whose work is being used, and of the borrowing resource, to reproduce in a single copy and without profit:

- 1) by libraries and archives – of the legally published work with the purpose to recover, change of lost or damaged copies, to provide copies of the work to other libraries that lost for certain reasons the work from their funds;
- 2) by libraries and archives - of separate articles and small-sized works that are legally published in collections, newspapers and other periodicals, short extracts from legally published written works (with or without illustrations), upon request of natural persons for training and research purposes;

- 3) by educational institutions – of separate articles and small-sized works that are legally published in collections, newspapers and other periodicals, short extracts from legally published written works (with or without illustrations) for lecturing purposes.

### **Article 21** **Free Use of Works that are Permanently Located** **in Places Open for Free Access**

It shall be allowed, without consent of the author or right holder and without payment of royalties, to reproduce, broadcast and (or) communicate to public via cable of works of architecture, photography, fine arts, that are permanently located in the place open for free access, except for cases when the image of the work is the main object of such reproduction, broadcasting and (or) communication to public via cable, or when the image of the work is used for commercial purposes.

### **Article 22** **Public Performance of Works during Official and Other Ceremonies**

It shall be allowed without consent of the author or another right holder, and without payment of royalties, to publicly perform legally published musical works during official and religious ceremonies, as well as funerals, in the volume justified by nature of such ceremonies.

### **Article 23** **Reproduction of Works for Judicial and Administrative Purposes**

It shall be allowed without consent of the author or another right holder, and without payment of royalties, to reproduce works for judicial and administrative purposes in the volume justified with this purpose.

### **Article 24** **Free Reproduction of Electronic Computer and Database Programs. Recompilation of** **Electronic Computer Programs**

1. The person who legally owns a copy of the electronic computer or a database program, shall have the right, without consent of the author or another owner of exclusive rights to use the work, and without payment of royalties:

1) make changes to the electronic computer or a database program solely for the purpose of its operation at the technical means of the user; take any actions required for operation of the electronic computer or a database program in compliance with its functions, including recording and storing in the electronic computer memory (one electronic computer or one network user), as well as correction of obvious mistakes, unless otherwise provided by the contract with the author;

2) make or instruct to make a copy of the electronic computer or a database program, provided that this copy is designated only for archive purposes and for change of legally purchased copy in cases when the original of the electronic computer or a database program is lost, destroyed or become unusable. However, a copy of the electronic computer or a database program cannot be used for purposes different from those mentioned in sub-paragraph 1) of this paragraph and must be destroyed if ownership of the copy of this electronic computer or a database program cease to be lawful.

2. The person who lawfully owns a copy of an electronic computer program, shall have the right, without consent of the author or another owner of exclusive rights and without payment of additional royalties, to reproduce and change the object code into incoming text (decompile the

electronic computer program) or to instruct other people take these actions if they are required to achieve the possibility for the electronic computer program that is independently developed by this person, to interact with other programs that can interact with the program being decompiled, provided the following conditions are observed:

- 1) information required to achieve the possibility for interaction, was not accessible to this person from other sources;
  - 2) indicated actions are taken only with regard to those parts of the electronic computer program under recompilation that are required to achieve the possibility to interact;
  - 3) information obtained as a result of recompilation, may be used only to achieve the possibility for the electronic computer program that is independently developed, to interact with other programs, and can not be submitted to other persons, except for cases when it is required to achieve the possibility for the electronic computer program that is independently developed, to interact with other programs, and can not be used to develop an electronic computer program that is significantly similar by its nature with the electronic computer program under recompilation, or to perform any other operation infringing the copyright.
3. Application of the provision of this Article shall not cause unjustified damage to normal use of the electronic computer or a database program and shall not infringe legal interests of the author or any other holder of exclusive rights to an electronic computer or a database program.

## **Article 25**

### **Records of Short-Term Use of Works by Broadcasting Organizations**

A broadcasting organization shall have the right, without consent of the author or right holder, and without payment of royalties, to record short-term use of the work with regard to which this organization obtained the right to broadcast, on the assumptions of the following conditions:

- 1) production of recording by broadcasting organization with use of its own equipment and for its own program;
- 2) destruction of such recording within six months from the date of its production, if a longer time period was not agreed upon with the author or right holder to the recorder work. Such recording may be kept without consent of the author or right holder in official archives, if the recording has exclusively documentary nature.

## **Article 26**

### **Reproduction of Works for Personal Use without Consent of the Author and With Payment of Royalties**

1. It shall be allowed without consent of the author of the work, performer, producer of the audiovisual work and producer of the phonogram, but with payment of royalties, to reproduce audiovisual work or sound recording for personal use and without profit.

2. Royalty for the work indicated in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be paid by persons who manufacture or import equipment and material devices used for such reproduction.

The list of such equipment and material devices shall be approved by the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

3. Such royalty shall be collected and distributed by one of the organizations that manage property rights of authors, producers of phonograms and performers on collective basis in compliance with the agreement between those organizations (Article 43 of this Law).

4. Unless otherwise provided by this agreement this royalty shall be distributed in the following proportions: forty per cent – to authors; thirty per cent – to performers; thirty per cent – to phonogram producers.



5. The size of the royalty and the terms of its payment shall be determined by the agreement between the indicated producers and importers on one hand, and organizations that manage property rights of authors, producers of phonograms and performers on a collective basis on the other hand; and if the parties do not come to such agreement – by the authorized body of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

6. Royalty shall not be paid with regard to the equipment and material devices which are indicated in Paragraph 2 of this Article and which are subject to exportation, as well as to professional equipment not intended for family use.

## **Article 27**

### **Exportation of Works for Personal Use**

A natural person shall be allowed, without consent of the author of the work or other copyright owner and without payment of royalties, to export works abroad exclusively for personal use, except for works exportation of which will cause damage to national interests of the country and the list of which is determined under the established procedure.

## **Article 28**

### **Term of Validity of Copyright**

1. Copyright shall be valid during the life of the author and for the period of seventy years after his/her death.

2. The right to authorship, the right to name and the right to protection of the author's reputation shall be protected termless.

3. The copyright to the work that is published anonymously or under pseudonym, shall be effective within seventy years after the date of its lawful publication. If within the indicated period the author of the work that is published anonymously or under pseudonym, discloses his/her personality or if his/her personality will not cause doubts, then provisions of Paragraph 1 of this Article shall apply.

4. The copyright to the work created in co-authorship, shall be effective during all his/her life and within seventy years after death of the last author who outlived other co-authors.

5. The copyright to the work that was published for the first time after thirty years from death of the author, shall be effective within seventy years after its publication starting from the first of January of a year following the year of its publishing.

6. If the author was subject to repression and rehabilitation after his/her death, the time period for the right protection stipulated by this Article, shall come into effect from the first of January of a year following the year of rehabilitation.

7. Calculation of time periods stipulated by this Article, shall start from the first of January of a year following the year in which a legal fact that is the basis for start of the time period, took place.

8. When granting protection to the work in compliance with international treaties ratified by the Republic of Kazakhstan, the validity of the copyright shall not exceed the time period determined in the originating country in compliance with Paragraph 4 Article 5 of this Law.

Time periods stipulated by this Article shall apply in all cases when a legal fact that is the basis for start of the time period, took place not earlier than seventy years prior to this Law to come into effect.

## **Article 29**

### **Transfer of Works to Public Property**

1. Expiration of the copyright to works shall mean their transfer to public property.

2. Works that are transferred to public property shall be freely used by any person without payment of royalties. However, the right to authorship, the right to name and the right to protect the author's reputation shall be honored.

3. With the aim to contribute to creative activity of authors, improve their material welfare and life conditions, users of the works that are transferred to public property, shall have the right to allocate payments to professional funds of authors or to organizations that manage property rights of authors on collective basis.

### **Article 30**

#### **Transfer of Copyrights**

1. Copyrights shall be transferred under author's contracts and under the procedure for inheritance.

2. Copyrights shall be transferred under the procedure for inheritance in compliance with the law or will.

3. Personal non-property rights of the author, stipulated by Article 15 of this Law, shall not be transferred under the procedure for inheritance. The author's heirs shall have the right to accomplish protection of personal non-property rights. The indicated authorities shall not be limited in time frame.

4. The author shall have the right, under the same procedure as an executor of a will is assigned, to assign a person on whom he/she places protection of his/her personal non-property rights. Such person shall fulfill his/her authorities for term of life. On absence of such instructions from the author, protection of personal non-property rights of the author after his/her death shall be exercised by his/her heirs or by the authorized body of the Republic of Kazakhstan, which exercises such protection if there are no heirs or their copyright terminated.

### **Article 31**

#### **Transfer of Property Rights. Author's Agreement**

1. Property rights of the author specified in Article 16 of this Law may be ceded fully or partially, as well as may be transferred for use under the author's agreement on transfer of exclusive rights or under the author's agreement on transfer of non-exclusive rights.

Any concession of property rights shall be confirmed by the written contract signed between the author and the person to whom the property rights are ceded.

2. The author's agreement on transfer of exclusive rights shall allow use of the work by certain way and in the limits specified in the agreement only by the person to whom these rights are transferred, and shall allow such person to forbid such use of the work by other people. The right to forbid use of the work by another person may be exercised by the author of the work, if the person to whom the exclusive rights are transferred, does not exercise protection of this right.

3. The author's agreement on transfer of non-exclusive rights shall allow the user to use the work on a par with the owner of exclusive rights who transferred such rights and (or) other people who obtained permission to use this work in the same way.

4. The rights transferred under the author's agreement shall be considered as non-exclusive, unless otherwise directly provided by the agreement.

### **Article 32**

#### **Terms of the Author's Agreement. The Form of the Author's Agreement. Liability Under the Author's Agreement**

1. The author's agreement shall provide for:

- 1) ways to use the work (concrete rights transferred under this agreement);
- 2) time period and territory on which the right is transferred;
- 3) size of the royalty and (or) the procedure for determining the size of the royalty for each way of use of the work; the procedure and dates of its payment, as well as other terms that the parties may consider important for this agreement.
2. Where the author's agreement does not provide for the terms of the time period for which the right is transferred, the agreement may be annulled on expiration of one year from the date of its signing, if the user is notified thereon in written three months prior to annulment of the agreement.
3. Where the author's agreement does not provide for the terms of the territory for which the right is transferred, the validity of the right transferred under the agreement shall be limited by the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan.
4. The rights to use the work that are not directly transferred under the author's agreement shall be considered as not-transferred.
5. Rights to use works that are unknown at the moment of signing the agreement, cannot be the subject of the author's agreement.
6. Royalty shall be determined in the author's agreement as a percentage from the profit obtained as result of relevant use of the work and, if it is possible due to the nature of the work or due to peculiarities of its use, as a fixed sum or in any other way.
7. The rights that are transferred under the author's agreement may be transferred fully or partially to other persons only if it directly provided for in the agreement.
8. The rights to use works that the author may create in the future, shall not be the subject of the author's agreement, except for cases stipulated by Articles 14 and 33 of this Law.
9. The term of the author's agreement that restricts the author from creating works in the given subject or in the given field in future, shall be invalid.
10. The terms of the author's agreement that contradict provisions of this Law shall be ineffective.
11. The author's agreement shall be signed in written. The author's agreement on use of the work in a periodical press may be concluded verbally.
12. When selling electronic copies of works including electronic computer and data base programs, as well as when providing broad circle of users access to them, it shall be allowed to use other forms of agreements and procedure for their conclusion that are established by legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.
13. A party that has not fulfilled or has not duly fulfilled the liabilities under the author's agreement shall be obliged to repair the damages caused to the other party including the lost profit.

### **Article 33**

#### **Copyright Commission Contract**

1. Under the copyright commission contract the author shall be committed to create a work in compliance with the terms of the agreement and to submit it to the customer.
2. The customer shall be committed to pay out an advance to the author on account of the agreed royalty. The size, the procedure and the dates of payment of an advance shall be agreed by the parties and stipulated in the agreement.
3. The author who does not submit the ordered work in compliance with the copyright commission contract terms, shall be obliged to repair actual damages caused to the customer.

## **Chapter III Related Rights**

### **Article 34 Objects of Related Rights**

Related rights shall extend to staging, performances, phonograms, transmissions of on-air and cable broadcasting organizations irrespective of their designation, content and merit, as well as of the method and form of their expression.

### **Article 35 Subjects of Related Rights**

1. Performers, producers of phonograms and on-air and cable broadcasting organizations shall be subjects of related rights.
2. Producer of a phonogram, on-air and cable broadcasting organization shall exercise the rights stipulated in this Chapter, within the rights received under a contract with the performer and author of the work, which is recorded on a phonogram or broadcasted.
3. Performer shall exercise the rights stipulated in this Chapter subject to the compliance with the rights of the authors of the work.
4. For creation and exercise of the related rights neither registration of the works nor the observance of any other formalities shall be required. In order to notify on his/her rights, producer of a phonogram and (or) performer shall have the right to use protection sign of related rights which is fixed on each copy of a phonogram and (or) each case where it is embodied, and it shall consist of three elements:
  - 1) circled Latin letter "P";
  - 2) name (title) of the owner of exclusive related rights;
  - 3) date of first publishing of the phonogram.
5. Unless otherwise is proved, a natural person or a legal entity whose name or title is indicated on the phonogram and (or) the case where it is embodied, shall be recognized as a producer of a phonogram.

### **Article 36 Validity of Related Rights**

1. The right of the performer shall be recognized as such in compliance with this Law in the following cases:
  - 1) performer is the citizen of the Republic of Kazakhstan;
  - 2) staging, performance has taken place for the first time at the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan;
  - 3) staging, performance are recorded on a phonogram that is protected in compliance with the provisions of Paragraph 2 of this Article;
  - 4) staging, performance that are not recorded on a phonogram, are included in transmission of on-air and cable broadcasting organization that is protected in compliance with the provisions of Paragraph 3 of this Article.
2. The right of the producer of the phonogram shall be recognized as such in compliance with this Law in the following cases:

1) producer of the phonogram is the citizen of the Republic of Kazakhstan or a legal entity that is officially located in the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

2) phonogram is published for the first time at the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Phonogram is considered as published for the first time at the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan if within thirty days after the date of its publication outside the Republic of Kazakhstan, it was published at the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

3. The rights of the on-air or cable broadcasting organization shall be recognized in compliance with this Law in case when the organization is officially located at the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan and carries out broadcasting with the help of transmitters located at the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

4. Related rights of foreign natural persons and legal entities shall be recognized at the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan in accordance with international treaties ratified by the Republic of Kazakhstan if a relevant staging, phonogram, transmission of on-air or cable broadcasting organizations have not been transferred to public property in the originating country, that is determined under the relevant international treaty ratified by the Republic of Kazakhstan, due to expiration of the related rights in such country and have not been transferred to public property in the Republic of Kazakhstan due to expiration of related rights.

### **Article 37** **Rights of a Performer**

1. Additional to the cases stipulated by this Law, the following personal non-property and property rights shall belong to the performer:

1) right to name;

2) right to protection of the performance or staging from any distortion or any other infringement that may cause damage to honor and dignity of the performer (right to protect reputation);

3) right to use performance or staging in any form, including the right to get royalties for each type of use of performance or staging.

1-1. Personal non-property rights shall belong to the performer irrespective of his/her property rights and shall remain with him/her in case of concession of exclusive property rights to use a performance.

2. Exclusive rights of performer to use the performance or staging shall mean the right to allow or forbid taking the following actions:

1) record the performance or staging that were not recorded earlier;

2) reproduce directly or indirectly the performance or staging recording in any form;

3) transmit, communicate to public via cable or communicate to public the performance or staging without using the recording of the performance or staging, except for cases stipulated by Paragraph 1 Article 39 of this Law;

5) rent (lease) a phono-recorded performance or staging with participation of the performer that was published for commercial purposes. When concluding a contract for recording the performance on a phonogram, this right shall be transferred to the producer of a phonogram. However, the performer shall reserve the right to royalty for renting (leasing) copies of such phonogram.

3. The exclusive right of the performer stipulated by sub-paragraph 2) of paragraph 2 of this Article shall not extend to cases when:

1) initial recording of the staging or performance is made with consent of the performer;

2) performance or staging is reproduced for the same purposes for which the consent of the performer was obtained when recording the staging or performance;

3) performance or staging is reproduced for the same purposes for which the recording was made in compliance with Article 41 of this Law.

4. Permissions specified in Paragraph 2 of this Article shall be issued by the performer, and in case of performance by a group of performers – by the manager of such group through signing a written contract with the user.

5. Permissions specified in sub-paragraphs 1), 2) and 3) of paragraph 2 of this Article for the next transmissions of the performance or staging, recording for transmission and reproduction of such record by on-air and cable broadcasting organizations shall not be required if they are stipulated by the contract signed between the performer and on-air and cable broadcasting organization. The size of the royalty to the performer for such use shall also be determined in this contract.

6. Signing a contract between a performer and a producer of an audiovisual work shall entail provision of rights specified in sub-paragraphs 1), 2), 3) and 4) of paragraph 2 of this Article by the performer. Provision of such rights by the performer shall be limited to use of the audiovisual work and, unless otherwise stipulated in the contract, shall not include rights to separate use of the sound or image fixed in the audiovisual work.

7. Exclusive rights of the performer stipulated by Paragraph 2 of this Article may be transferred to third parties under the contract.

### **Article 38**

#### **Rights of the Producer of the Phonogram**

1. Additional to the rights stipulated by this Law, the producer of the phonogram shall have exclusive rights to use phonograms in any form, including the right to get royalties for each type of use of the phonogram.

2. Exclusive rights to use the phonogram shall mean the right to take, allow or forbid taking the following actions:

- 1) reproduce directly or indirectly the phonogram in any form;
- 2) distribute the original and copies of the phonogram, including importation, sale or any other transfer of the right of ownership;
- 3) rent (to lease) phonogram even after its distribution by the producer of the phonogram or upon his/her permission;
- 4) alter or process the phonogram in any way;
- 5) communicate the phonogram to public.

3. If copies of the lawfully published phonogram are placed into civil circulation through their sale, then their further distribution shall be allowed without consent of the producer of the phonogram and without payment of royalties. The right to distribute copies of the phonogram through their renting (leasing) shall belong to the producer of the phonogram irrespective of the right of ownership to those copies.

4. Exclusive rights of the producer of the phonogram stipulated by Paragraph 2 of this Article may be transferred to third parties under the contract.

### **Article 39**

#### **Use of the Phonogram Published for Commercial Purposes Without Consent of the Producer of the Phonogram and the Performer**

1. The following shall be allowed without consent of the producer of the phonogram that is published for commercial purposes and of the performer whose performance is recorder on such phonogram, but with payment of royalties:

- 1) public performance of the phonogram;
- 2) broadcasting of the phonogram;
- 3) communication of the phonogram to public via cable.

2. Collection, distribution and payment of royalties stipulated by Paragraph 1 of this Article, shall be accomplished by one of the organizations that manage the rights of producers of phonograms and performers on collective basis (Article 43 of this Law) in compliance with the contract between these organizations. Unless otherwise stipulated by this contract, the said royalty shall be equally shared between the producer of the phonogram and the performer.

3. The size of the royalty and the terms for its payment shall be determined in the contract between the users of phonogram or units (associations) of such users from one side, and organizations that manage the rights of producers of phonograms and performers, from the other side, and if the parties do not reach an agreement – by the authorized body. The size of the royalty shall be established for each type of use of a phonogram.

4. Phonogram users shall be obliged to provide the organizations specified in Paragraph 2 of this Article, programs that contain precise data on the quantity of times the phonogram was used, as well as other data and documents required for collection and distribution of the royalty.

#### **Article 40**

##### **Rights of the On-Air and Cable Broadcasting Organization**

1. Additional to the rights stipulated by this Law, on-air and (or) cable broadcasting organizations with regard to their transmissions shall have exclusive rights to use the transmission in any form and to permit use of the transmission, including the right to get royalties for giving such permission.

2. Exclusive rights to use the transmission shall mean the right to take, allow or forbid the following actions:

- 1) broadcast the transmission;
- 2) communicate the transmission to public via cable or to broadcast the transmission;
- 3) record the transmission;
- 4) reproduce the record of the transmission;
- 5) communicate the transmissions to public in places with paid access;
- 6) make the transmission available to public.

3. The exclusive right of the on-air and (or) cable broadcasting organization stipulated by subparagraph 4) of paragraph 2 of this Article shall not extend to cases when:

- 1) transmission is recorded with consent of the on-air and (or) cable broadcasting organization;
- 2) transmission is reproduced for the same purposes for which it was recorded in compliance with Article 41 of this Law.

#### **Article 40-1**

##### **Transfer of Exclusive Rights. Licensing Agreement**

Exclusive rights specified in Articles 37, 38, 40 of this Law may be conceded fully or partially and also may be transferred for use under the license agreement on transfer of exclusive or non-exclusive rights. Requirements stipulated by Article 32 of this Law shall apply to such agreement.

#### **Article 40-2.**

##### **Minimum Rates of Remuneration for Performers and Phonogram Producers**

Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan sets minimum rates of remuneration for performers and phonogram producers in cases where the practical realization of the property (exclusive) rights on an individual basis cannot be done due to the nature of performances or phonograms (public performance, including radio and television, reproduction of works by mechanical, magnetic or

other recording, reproducing, reproduction for private purposes without the consent of the performer and the phonogram producer and in other cases).

#### **Article 41**

#### **Limitations of Rights of the Performer, Producer of a Phonogram and On-Air or Cable Broadcasting Organization**

1. It shall be allowed, without consent of the performer, producer of a phonogram, on-air or cable broadcasting organization and without payment of royalties to use performance, staging, transmissions of on-air or cable broadcasting organizations and their recordings as well as to reproduce phonograms for the following purposes:

- 1) for including small extracts from a performance, staging, phonogram, transmissions of on-air or cable broadcasting organization to the reviews on current events;
- 2) exclusively for training and scientific research purposes;
- 3) for citation of small extracts from a performance, staging, phonogram, transmissions of on-air or cable broadcasting organization provided, that such citation is made for information purposes. However, any use by on-air or cable broadcasting organization of copies of phonograms that are published for commercial purposes for broadcasting, communicating to public via cable or making available to public shall be possible subject to complying with the provisions of Article 39 of this Law;
- 4) in other cases stipulated by Articles 18-26 of this Law with regard to limitation of property rights of the author of a scientific, literature and fine art works.

2. As an exception from Articles 37-40 of this Law use of the transmission of on-air or cable broadcasting organization and its recordings, as well as reproduction of the phonogram exclusively for personal use, shall be allowed without consent of the performer, producer of a phonogram, on-air or cable broadcasting organization. Reproduction of the phonogram shall be allowed subject to payment of royalty in compliance with Article 26 of this Law.

3. Provisions of Articles 37, 38, 40 of this Law on getting permission from the performer, producer of a phonogram, on-air or cable broadcasting organization to record a short-term use of the performance, staging or transmission, to reproduce such records and to reproduce phonograms published for commercial purposes shall not apply, if recording of a short-term use or reproduction is accomplished by the on-air or cable broadcasting organization with use of its own equipment and for its own transmission subject to:

- 1) preliminary obtaining by the on-air or cable broadcasting organization of a permission for transmission of the performance, staging or transmission with regard to which a recording of a short-term use or reproduction of such recording is being accomplished in compliance with the provisions of this Paragraph;
- 2) its destruction within the time period that is established with regard to the recording of short-term use of scientific, literature and fine arts works that are produced by the on-air or cable broadcasting organization in compliance with Article 25 of this Law, except for the recording that may be kept in archives due to its exclusive documentary nature.

4. Limitations stipulated by this Article shall apply without prejudice to normal use of the phonogram, performance, staging, transmission of the on-air or cable broadcasting organization and their recordings, as well as scientific, literature, fine arts works included therein, and without infringement of legal interests of the performer, producer of a phonogram, on-air or cable broadcasting organization and the authors of indicated works.

#### **Article 42**

#### **Term of Validity of Related Rights**



1. The rights stipulated by this Chapter with respect to the performer shall be effective within seventy years after the first performance or staging. The rights of the performer to name and to protection of the performance or staging from any distortions and any other infringement that may cause damage to honor and dignity of the performer that are stipulated by Article 37 of this law, shall be protected during an indefinite period.
  2. Rights stipulated by this Chapter with respect to the producer of the phonogram shall be effective within seventy years from its first recording, if the phonogram was not published within this time period.
  3. Rights stipulated by this Chapter with respect to on-air broadcasting organization shall be effective within seventy years after conducting by such an organization of the first on-air broadcasting.
  4. Rights stipulated by this Chapter with respect to the cable broadcasting organization shall be effective within seventy years after conducting by such an organization of the first broadcasting to public via cable.
  5. Radio and TV programs (broadcastings) with respect to which the seventy year period did not expire from the moment of their legal publishing or creation, if they were not published, from the date of this Law came into effect, shall be protected within the remaining period as related rights objects.
  6. Calculation of dates stipulated by Paragraphs 1,2,3,4 of this Article shall start from the first of January of the year following the year in which the legal fact that serves as basis for start of the period took place.
  7. If performer was subject to repression and rehabilitated after his/her death, then the date for protection of rights stipulated by this Article shall start from the first of January of the year following the year of rehabilitation.
  8. The right to allow use of a performance, staging, phonogram, transmission of on-air or cable broadcasting organization and to get royalties within the limits of the remaining period specified in Paragraphs 1,2,3,4 of this Article shall transfer to heirs (with respect to legal entities – to assignees) of the performer, producer of a phonogram, on-air or cable broadcasting organization.
  9. Expiration of the related rights on performances, staging, phonograms, transmissions of on-air or cable broadcasting organizations shall mean their transfer to public property.
- With respect to related rights that are transferred to public property, provisions of Article 29 of this Law shall apply taking into account provisions of Articles 34-42 of this Law.

## **Chapter IV**

### **Collective Management of Property Rights**

#### **Article 43**

#### **Goals of the Collective Management of Property Rights**

1. Authors of works of science, literature and fine arts, performers, producers of phonograms and other owners of copyright and related rights for the purposes of practical realization of their property rights shall be entitled to establish organizations that manage their property rights on a collective basis.
2. Organizations that manage property rights on a collective basis shall not be able to exercise commercial activity and use works and objects of related rights that are obtained in order to manage on a collective basis.
3. It shall be allowed to establish separate organizations on various rights and various categories of right holders, or organizations that manage various rights in the interests of one category of right holders, or organizations that manage one type of rights in the interests of various

categories of right holders. Such organizations shall be established directly by owners of copyright and related rights and shall operate within the authorities received from them under the Statute.

Organizations that manage the property rights on collective basis shall be created in the following fields:

1) management of the exclusive rights for public musical works (with or without text) and pieces of musical and dramatic works with regard to their public performance, communication to public via cable or on-air broadcasting, including retranslation;

2) exercise of rights of composers - authors of the musical works (with or without text), used in audiovisual work, to receive royalty for public performance or communication to public via cable or on-air broadcasting;

3) management of the resale royalty right with regard to works of fine art;

4) exercise of the rights of authors, performers, producers of phonograms and audiovisual works to receive royalty for reproduction of phonograms and audiovisual works for personal use without profit;

5) exercise of the rights of performers to receive royalty for public performance and communication to the public via cable or on-air broadcasting of phonograms published for commercial purpose;

6) exercise of the rights of producers of phonograms to receive royalty for public performance and communication to the public via cable or on-air broadcasting of phonograms published for commercial purposes;

7) management of rights for reproduction (reprographic reproduction) of publicly available works;

8) exercise of rights of on-air and cable broadcasting organizations to receive a remuneration for public performance, as well as on-air and cable broadcasting of their own programs published for commercial purposes.

4. Authorities for collective management of property rights shall be transferred directly by owners of copyrights and related rights voluntarily based on written contacts as well as contracts with foreign organizations that manage similar rights taking into account paragraph 2 of Article 46-1 of the present Law.

5. Statutes of organizations that manage property rights on collective basis shall contain provisions that meet the requirements of this Law. Refusal to register the organization that manage property rights on collective basis shall be allowed in case of infringement of the requirements of this Law and the legislation that stipulates the procedure for registration of public organizations.

6. Management of the activity of the indicated organization shall be accomplished by owners of copyrights and related rights whose property rights it manages. Decisions regarding the size of the royalty and the terms of concluding of a license contract with users, the method of distribution and payment of the collected royalty and other principal issues related to activity of such organization shall be accomplished exclusively by owners of copyright and related rights jointly at the general meeting.

## **Article 44**

### **Activity of Organizations That Manage Property Rights on Collective Basis**

1. Any author, his/her heir or any other owner of copyrights and related rights, that are protected in compliance with Chapter III of this Law, shall have the right to transfer enforcement of his/her property rights to the organization that manages property rights on collective basis, and the organization shall be obliged to take over enforcement of those rights on collective basis, if management of such category of rights is covered by the Statute of this organization. The specified organizations shall not have the right to use works and objects of related rights obtained for management on collective basis.

2. Based on the authorities obtained in compliance with Paragraph 3 of Article 43 of this Law, the organization that manages the property rights on collective basis shall sign license contracts with users on the relevant methods of use of works and objects of related rights. Terms of such licensing contracts shall be equal for all users of the same category. The indicated organizations shall not have the right to refuse to sign a licensing contract without providing sufficient reasons for that.

3. All possible property claims of the copyright and related rights owners to users related to use of their works and objects of related rights under licensing contracts shall be resolved by the organization concluded such licensing contracts.

4. The organization that manages the property rights on collective basis, shall have the right to keep the unclaimed royalty and include it into the distributable sums or to allocate them for other purposes in the interests of owners of copyright and related rights represented by this organization, upon expiration of three years from the date of its transfer to the organization's account.

#### **Article 45**

##### **Functions of the Organization That Manages Property Rights on Collective Basis**

The organization that manages the property rights on collective basis shall fulfill the following functions on behalf of the owners of copyrights and related rights represented by this organization, and based on the authorities received from them:

1) sign license contracts with users to use the rights the management of which is exercised by this organization;

2) negotiate with users the size of the royalty and other terms on which license contracts are signed;

3) negotiate with users the size of the royalty in cases when this organization deals with collection of such royalty without signing a license contract (Article 26 and Paragraphs 2 and 3 Article 39 of this Law);

4) collect royalties stipulated under the license contract and (or) royalty stipulated by Paragraph 3 of this Article;

5) distribute and pay royalties collected in compliance with paragraph 4 of this Article to owners of copyrights and related rights whom it represents;

6) perform any legal actions required to protect the rights that it represents.

#### **Article 46.**

##### **Responsibilities of the Organizations managing the Property Rights on a Collective Basis**

1. The Organization that manages the property rights on a collective basis acts in the interests of the copyright and related rights holders it represents. In pursuing these aims, the organization shall:

1) simultaneously with the payment of royalties provide the report to the copyright and related rights holders, which contains information about the use of their rights, including the amount of the royalties collected and the amounts withheld;

2) in accordance with the provisions of subparagraph 4) of Article 45 of the Law to use the royalties for distribution and payment to the copyright and related rights holders. The organization has the right to deduct certain amount from the royalties to cover their actual costs for the collection, distribution and payment of royalties and amount to be sent to a special fund set up by the organization with the agreement and in the interests of the copyright and related rights holders;

3) distribute and at least once per quarter pay the collected royalties to Kazakhstan copyright and related rights holders, and at least once a year - to foreign organizations managing similar rights with deduction of the amounts specified in subparagraph 2) of this paragraph in proportion to the

factual use of works and objects of related rights. Organization shall take reasonable and adequate measures to identify the holders who are entitled for payment of royalties in accordance with the concluded license contracts and contracts on payment of royalties;

4) create registries containing information about right holders and the rights assigned, as well as about the objects of copyright and related rights. Information contained in the registers shall be provided to all interested parties, except of the information that according to the law cannot be disclosed without the consent of the holder;

5) create a web site to inform about the organization managing the property rights on a collective basis;

6) post on the Internet information on the rights assigned to organization by the right holders, including the name of the object of copyright or related rights, the name of the author or copyright holder;

7) post on the Internet information on the presence of representatives that exercise the functions on collection, distribution and payment of royalties for the use of copyright and related rights.

2. Those holders of copyright and related rights who did not assign authority to the organization managing the property rights on a collective basis to collect their royalties, provided for in paragraph 4) of Article 45 of the Law, shall be entitled to require payment of collected royalties and exclude their works and objects of related rights from permissions granted by this organization to users.

#### **Article 46-1.**

##### **Accreditation of Organizations Managing the Property Rights on a Collective Basis**

1. Organization that manages property rights on a collective basis shall be entitled to receive from the authorized body a certificate of accreditation on implementation of activities in the fields of collective management specified in paragraph 3 of Article 43 of the Law.

2. Accreditation shall be carried out for each of the fields specified in paragraph 3 of Article 43 of the Law.

Organization that manages property rights on a collective basis, can get a certificate of accreditation to operate in one, two or more fields of collective management, specified in paragraph 3 of Article 43 of the Law. The form of the certificate of accreditation of the organization managing the property rights on a collective basis shall be determined by the authorized body.

Organization that manages property rights on a collective basis, received a certificate of accreditation, shall have a right along with the management of right holders with whom organization has concluded contracts for the management of rights, collect royalties for those right holders with whom such agreements are not concluded.

#### **Article 46-2.**

##### **The Procedure of Accreditation of Organizations Managing the Property Rights on a Collective Basis**

1. Accreditation of organizations managing the property rights on a collective basis shall be voluntary and shall be carried out by the authorized body on the basis of application of the organization managing the property rights on a collective basis, in accordance with the Law.

2. Accreditation of organizations managing the property rights on a collective basis shall be carried out by the authorized body on the basis of conclusion of the Commission on Accreditation of the organizations managing the property rights on a collective basis (hereinafter - the Commission on Accreditation).

3. The composition and Regulation on the Commission on Accreditation shall be approved by the authorized body.

Information on the date of meeting of the Commission on Accreditation shall be posted by the authorized body in the media that are distributed throughout the Republic of Kazakhstan, and on its Internet website not later than sixty days prior to the date of the meeting of the Commission on Accreditation.

4. In order to receive accreditation applicant must submit to the authority a written application. The application must be sent no later than thirty calendar days before the meeting of the Commission on Accreditation. Application form and the list of documents that must submit the organization managing the property rights on a collective basis in order to receive the accreditation shall be establishing by the authorized body.

5. Authorized body shall receive a statement and make a record in the registration statement together with assignment of a number and the date of admission.

6. Meeting of the Commission on Accreditation shall be entitled to make decisions when there are at least half of its members participating in the meeting. The Commission's decision on accreditation shall be made by a majority vote of the members. If the votes are equally divided, the Chairman shall have the decisive vote of the Commission on Accreditation.

Making a decision by the Commission members for accreditation by absente voting and delegation of its powers to other persons shall be prohibited.

7. Following the meeting of the Commission on Accreditation the authorized body within five business days after the completion of the meeting shall decide on the accreditation and issue to the applicant a certificate of accreditation for a period of five years.

In order to reach a conclusion on accreditation the Accreditation Commission shall take into account the following:

- 1) carrying out of activities in this field must be no less than one year from the date of registration as a legal entity;
- 2) work experience in distribution and payment of the royalties of at least three times;
- 3) presence of positive opinions about the organization from the authors and users;
- 4) concluded agreements on mutual representation of interests with the similar organizations on collective management of rights of the right holders of other states.

Authorized body shall make a decision not to grant accreditation in the following cases:

- 1) failure to submit the documents specified by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan;
- 2) incomplete information contained in the documents.

8. Decision not to grant accreditation to organization managing the property rights on a collective basis may be appealed in accordance with the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

9. Authorized body shall post information on accredited organizations on its Internet site.

10. In the case of re-registration or reorganization the organization shall notify the authorized body about this fact with provision of the documents confirming this information and return the certificate of accreditation within ten working days.

The authorized body shall within ten working days from receipt of written notice of organization issue to the applicant a certificate of accreditation.

11. In case of loss of the accreditation certificate authorized body upon written request of organization that manage the property rights on a collective basis shall issue a duplicate certificate of accreditation within ten working days.

#### **Article 47**

### **Control Over Activity of the Organizations That Manage Property Rights on Collective Basis**

1. The organization that manages the property rights of authors, performers, producers of phonograms or other holders of copyright and related rights on collective basis shall be committed no later than 31 of March submit to the authorized body the following information on its activity:

- 1) changes made to the Statute and to other constituent documents of this organization;
- 2) bilateral and multilateral agreements signed by this organization with foreign organizations that manage similar rights;
- 3) decisions made at general meetings;
- 4) annual balance, annual report including data on unclaimed royalties, auditing inspections of the activity of the organization;
- 5) names of the persons authorized to represent such organization.

2. Authorized body shall have a right to require from the organizations for collective management of rights, the additional information necessary to verify compliance of the organization activity with this Law and the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan on the non-profit organizations or other legislation, as well as the Charter of this organization.

#### **Article 47-1.**

#### **Withdrawal of the Certificate of Accreditation of Organizations Managing the Property Rights on a Collective Basis**

Certificate of accreditation of organization managing the property rights on a collective basis shall be withdrawn by the authorized body in the following cases:

- 1) identification of unreliable information in the documents that served as a basis for the decision on accreditation;
- 2) failure to provide by the due date of the annual report on the activity of an accredited organization;
- 3) submission to the authorized body of the annual report on the activities of the accredited organization containing information which is known to be false;
- 4) commercial activity;
- 5) breach of duty under Article 46 of the Law;
- 6) late payment of royalties;
- 7) failure to take measures to find authors, performers and producers of phonograms for the transfer of collected royalties.

#### **Article 47-2.**

#### **Termination of the Certificate of Accreditation of Organizations Managing the Property Rights on a Collective Basis**

1. Certificate of accreditation of organizations managing the property rights on a collective basis shall terminate in the following cases:

- 1) expiration of the period for which the certificate of accreditation is issued;
- 2) decision on voluntarily return of accreditation certificate to the authorized body;
- 3) withdrawal of the certificate of accreditation;
- 4) liquidation of the organization managing the property rights on a collective basis.

2. Upon termination of the certificate of accreditation of organizations managing the property rights on a collective basis the certificate shall be returned to the authorized body within one month from the date when the cases referred to in paragraph 1 of the Article occurred.

### **Chapter V**

### **Protection of Copyrights and Related Rights**

**Article 48.**  
**Infringement of Copyrights and Related Rights**

1. Infringement of copyright and (or) related rights foreseen in the present Law shall entail responsibility in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.
2. In respect of objects of copyright and (or) related rights shall not be allowed:
  - 1) actions aimed at the removal of restrictions on use of objects of copyright and (or) related rights established by the application of technical means of protection of copyright and related rights;
  - 2) manufacture, distribution, lease, temporary use, importation, advertising of any device or its components, their use in order to generate income or provide services in cases where as a result of these actions it is impossible to use technical means of protection of copyright and related rights or technical means cannot provide adequate protection of these rights;
  - 3) removal or change without the permission of the author or other right holder of information on rights management;
  - 4) reproduction, distribution, importation for the purposes of distribution, public performance, communication to public via cable or on-air broadcast, making available to public of copyright and related rights objects in relation of which information on rights management has been removed or changed without author or other right holder permission.

**Article 48-1**  
**Control Over Activity of Natural Persons and Legal Entities that Use Objects of Copyrights and Related Rights**

1. Control over activity of natural persons and legal entities that use objects of copyright and related rights shall be exercised by the authorized body.
2. Persons specified in Paragraph 1 of this Article shall be committed to submit, upon request of the authorized body, data on use of copyright and related rights objects, income obtained as a result of use of copyright and related rights objects as well as data and documents related to payment of royalties.

**Article 49**  
**Protection of Copyrights and Related Rights**

1. Protection of copyrights and related rights shall be accomplished by the court through:
  - 1) recognition of the right;
  - 2) rehabilitation of the status that existed before the infringement of the right;
  - 3) suppression of actions that infringe the right or create threat of its infringement;
  - 4) compensation of damages including lost profit;
  - 5) levying the profit obtained by pirates as a result of infringement of copyrights and related rights;
  - 6) payment of compensation in the sum from twenty to fifty thousand minimal salaries, that are determined by legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan. The size of the compensation shall be determined by the court instead of compensating damages or charging profit;
  - 7) taking other measures stipulated by legal acts related to protection of their rights.The measures specified in Subparagraphs 4), 5), 6) of this Article shall apply at choice of the owner of copyrights and related rights.
2. Prior to considering the case, the judge shall have the right to make a decision that forbids the defendant to produce, reproduce, sell, use copies of the works of copyright and object of related rights, with respect to which it is believed that they are pirated. The judge shall also have the right to make a decision to arrest and withdraw all copies of the works of copyright and object of related

rights with respect to which it is believed that they are pirated, as well as materials and equipment designated for their production and reproduction.

3. The court shall have the right to make a decision to confiscate pirated copies of the works of copyright and object of related rights, as well materials and equipment used for their reproduction. Pirated copies of the works or phonograms may be transferred to the owner of copyrights or related rights upon his/her request, or shall be subject to destruction upon decision of the court.

Materials and equipment used for their reproduction shall be subject to destruction upon decision of the court or transfer to the property of the state.

**President of the Republic of Kazakhstan**