

**LAW NO. 04/L-199  
ON RATIFICATION OF THE FIRST INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT OF PRINCIPLES  
GOVERNING THE NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF  
KOSOVO AND THE REPUBLIC OF SERBIA**

**Assembly of Republic of Kosovo,**

Based on Articles 18 and 65 of the Constitution of the Republic of Kosovo,

Approves

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**Article 1  
Purpose**

This law ratifies the First International Agreement of Principles Governing the Normalization of Relations between the Republic of Kosovo and the Republic of Serbia, initialled on April 19, 2013 by the Prime Minister of the Republic of Kosovo and the Prime Minister of the Republic of Serbia, endorsed by the Government of the Republic of Kosovo on 22 April, 2013, Decision Nr. 01/126, and by the Assembly of the Republic of Kosovo on 22 April, 2013, Resolution Nr. 04-R-10.

**Article 2  
Scope**

Scope of this Law is the First International Agreement of Principles Governing the Normalization of Relations between the Republic of Kosovo and the Republic of Serbia, and this agreement constitutes integral part of this law. This law shall be implemented by the Republic of Kosovo with the assistance of the European Union, (EU), the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Forces in Kosovo, (KFOR), and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, (OSCE).

**Article 3  
Entry into force**

This law enters into force immediately upon promulgation by the President of the Republic of Kosovo.

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**Promulgated by Decree No.DL-050-2013, dated 12.09.2013, President of the Republic of  
Kosovo Atifete Jahjaga**

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First agreement of principles governing the normalization of relations

1. There will be an Association/Community of Serb majority municipalities in Kosovo. Membership will be open to any other municipality provided the members are in agreement.
2. The Community/Association will be created by statute. Its dissolution shall only take place by a decision of the participating municipalities. Legal guarantees will be provided by applicable law and constitutional law (including the 2/3 majority rule).
3. The structures of the Association/Community will be established on the same basis as the existing statute of the Association of Kosovo municipalities e.g. President, vice President, Assembly, Council.
4. In accordance with the competences given by the European Charter of Local Self Government and Kosovo law the participating municipalities shall be entitled to cooperate in exercising their powers through the Community/Association collectively. The Association/Community will have full overview of the areas of economic development, education, health, urban and rural planning.
5. The Association/Community will exercise other additional competences as may be delegated by the central authorities.
6. The Community/Association shall have a representative role to the central authorities and will have a seat in the communities consultative council for this purpose. In the pursuit of this role a monitoring function is envisaged.
7. There shall be one police force in Kosovo called the Kosovo Police. All police in northern Kosovo shall be integrated in the Kosovo Police framework. Salaries will be only from the KP.
8. Members of other Serbian security structures will be offered a place in equivalent Kosovo structures.
9. There shall be a Police Regional Commander for the four northern Serb majority municipalities (Northern Mitrovica, Zvecan, Zubin Potok and Leposavic). The Commander of this region shall be a Kosovo Serb nominated by the Ministry of Internal Affairs from a list provided by the four mayors on behalf of the Community/Association. The composition of the KP in the north will reflect the ethnic composition of the population of the four municipalities. (There will be another Regional Commander for the municipalities of Mitrovica South, Skenderaj and Vushtrri). The regional commander of the four northern municipalities will cooperate with other regional commanders.
10. The judicial authorities will be integrated and operate within the Kosovo legal framework.  
The Appellate Court in Pristina will establish a panel composed of a majority of K/S judges to deal with all Kosovo Serb majority municipalities.

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A division of this Appellate Court, composed both by administrative staff and judges, will sit permanently in northern Mitrovica (Mitrovica District Court). Each panel of the above division will be composed by a majority of K/S judges. Appropriate judges will sit dependant on the nature of the case involved.

11. Municipal elections shall be organised in the northern municipalities in 2013 with the facilitation of the OSCE in accordance with Kosovo law and international standards.

12. An implementation plan including time frame shall be produced by April 26. In implementing this agreement the principle of transparent funding will be addressed.

13. Discussions on Energy and Telecoms will be intensified by the two sides and completed by June 15.

14. It is agreed that neither side will block, or encourage others to block, the other side's progress in their respective EU paths.

15. An implementation committee will be established by the two sides, with the facilitation of the EU.

