

**TRAVEL AGENTS AND ASSOCIATION OF
TRAVEL AGENTS ACT⁽¹⁾**

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PART ONE
Travel agents
I - DEFINITION

Article 1 ó (Amendment: Article 5571/4, date: 28/12/2006)

For the purposes of this act, the following terms shall have the following meanings;

- a) The Ministry: means the Ministry of Culture and Tourism,
- b) Association: The Association of Travel Agencies,
- c) Operating license; The license granted by the Ministry to operate as a travel agent,
- ç) Package tour: the package tour as defined under the Consumer Protection Act 4077,
- d) Tour: The commercial activity which covers both the introduction of, and transportation to, at least one of Turkey's historical, natural, cultural and touristic values, which is sold, or promised to be sold for a single price covering such services, and the service of which covers a period shorter than twenty four hours,
- e) Travel agent: The business entity which, for profit purposes, is entitled to provide information to tourists about tourism, to create tours and package tours, to provide services of accommodation, transportation, tour, sports and entertainment for tourism purposes, and which may market, itself or through the agency of other travel agents, the product it created,
- f) Guide: the person who holds a guide certificate issued and granted by the Ministry.

II - STARTUP AND OPERATION OF TRAVEL AGENTS

Permit

Article 2- (Annulled: Article 5571/29, date: 28/12/2006)

Categorization

Article 3 - Travel agents are classified under three groups depending on the services they provide:

A) Travel agents falling into Category (A) - Such agents may provide any and all travel agent services referred to under Article 1.

(1) By and with the article 29 of the Law 5571, dated 28/12/2006, in this Act, the phrases "by the Ministry of Tourism and Promotion" as provided under Articles 3, 20 and 34 were amended as "by the Ministry"; the phrases "to the Ministry of Tourism and Promotion" as provided under Articles 6, 17 and 19 were amended as "to the Ministry; the phrases "the Ministry of Tourism and Promotion" as provided under Article 24 were amended as "the Ministry; the phrases "at the Ministry of Tourism and Promotion" were amended as "at the Ministry", and the phrase "Ankara" as provided under the second paragraph of the article 32 were amended as "Istanbul", and so included in the text.

B) Travel agents falling into Category (B) - such agents does and shall sell the tickets of tours as may be organized by category (A) travel agents by international land, naval and air transport vehicles.

C) Travel agents falling into Category (C) - such agents does and shall organize domestic tours only for Turkish subjects.

The travel agents falling into Category (B) and (C) may not provide other travel agent services not falling into their services. However, such agents do and shall provide services to be assigned thereto by category (A) travel agents.

(annulled third paragraph: Article 5571/29, date: 28/12/2006) Foreign travel agents may not organize tours to foreign countries.

If and where travel agents falling into Category (A) wish to use land transport vehicles for tours as they may organize to foreign countries, such agents shall not be required to hold a license to carry passengers to international lines by land transport. However, it is necessary that the vehicle meet the criteria and qualifications as defined by the Ministry.

Operating licenses

Article 4 ó (Amendment: Article 5571/5, date: 28/12/2006)

To operate as a travel agent in Turkey, it is mandatory to obtain an operating license from the Ministry.

The procedures and principles governing the applications for obtaining operating license shall be regulated by and under a regulation.

Operating licenses shall be provided to legal entities with exclusivity to a single business entity. Operating licenses may not be transferred, nor assigned.

The services provided by bus enterprises carrying passengers at home and abroad are considered transport services, and shall not be subject to the provisions of this Act.

Travel agents may carry on business as a travel agent by, and subject to, the obtainment of an operating license. The provisions of the Turkish Commercial Code no. 6762 are reserved.

Title / name of the Agency

Article 5 - An existing name / title of an existing travel agent previously registered at a register office may not be used, nor obtained, as a title/name by another travel agent. Such title may not be used by another travel agent by way of including new words or a new name into the existing title in a manner leading to confusion.

Facility names / titles holding a Tourism Establishment Certificate shall also be governed by, and subject to, the provisions of the foregoing paragraph.

Branches

Article 6 - Travel agents may open permanent or temporary branches at home and abroad. Travel agents intending to start up a branch must notify the same to the Ministry and obtain a startup permit.

The branches must state in their boards, letterheads, seals and stamps the parent travel agent they are affiliated with.

Branches shall be specified on the operating licenses granted to travel agents.

(Annulled last paragraph: Article 5571/29, date: 28/12/2006)

Prohibited activities

Article 7- Travel agents and the branches thereof may not use their business places for purposes other than for providing travel agent services. However, souvenir, tourist guide, postcard and other similar goods may be sold at a certain point of the travel agent's business place.

III - QUALIFICATIONS

Qualifications of a travel agent

Article 8 - The owners of travel agencies and managing directors and members of the board of directors of travel agents with legal personality shall be required to meet the following criteria and qualifications:

a) To be over 18,

b) **(Amendment: Article 5728/359, date: 23/1/2008)** Even if the durations provided for under Article 53 of the Turkish Penal Code; to have not been sentenced to prison for a period of five years or longer due to an offense committed on purpose or due to offenses against Public safety, offenses against constitutional order or the functioning of this order, offenses against national defense, offenses against state secrets and espionage, petty or major embezzlement, defalcation, bribery, theft, fraud, forgery, breach of faith, fraudulent bankruptcy, bid rigging, rigging the performance of obligations, laundering of asset values from the offense, smuggling or tax evasion,

c) To have satisfactory commercial standing,

d) To have not been penalized as per the provision of the Article 30.

Qualifications of the managing director of a travel agency

Article 9- (Annulled: Article 5571/29, date: 28/12/2006)

Obligations of travel agents¹⁻¹

Article 10 6 (Amendment: Article 5571/6, date:

28/12/2006) Travel agents must act in compliance

with the following:

a) In respect of tours or package tours except for those covering accommodation in a single hotel or transportation to the hotel; to make available at least one guide for up to forty five persons per tour or package tour; to make available a guide for vehicles the capacity of which exceeds forty-five persons; not to provide any information about the history, nature, culture and tourism of Turkey through the agency of any person other than guides.

b) Not to deceive the customer, not to corrupt the public confidence and not to sabotage the national tourism.

c) To provide the customer with a copy of the agreement containing detailed program and particulars relating to all services provided as well as information about by which insurance company the package tour program was insured.

ç) To fulfill the obligations falling thereon with respect to activities and agency services as may be organized under joint and several responsibility with other travel agents.

d) To advise the Ministry about any change of address including branches at least ten days prior to such change.

e) Except for the obligations regarding the services as will be provided to customers and transport firms to which they will sell their tickets and for the obligations under the scope of insurance limit, to fulfill all of their obligations arising from all travel agent transactions, on the basis of the values referred to under Article 34 of the Public Procurement Law 4734, to provide such an amount of guarantee as will be determined by the Ministry between a minimum of five thousand New Turkish Liras and a maximum of thirty thousand New Turkish Liras depending on the category of the travel agent as a security for the obligations and for the purpose of payment to the concerned parties by conversion into money by the Ministry in case of failure to fulfill such obligations, and should the amount of guarantee reduce, to complete it within thirty days.

(1) While the heading of this article was "the qualifications of the travel agent personnel", it was amended as included in the text under the Article 6 of the Law 5571, dated 28/12/2006.

f) At locations included in the tour schedule, to ensure the provision of customers with introductory materials as prepared by professional organizations having the characteristics of public institutions as referred to under the regulation, if and where such institutions so request.

Where required by the Ministry, the upper and lower limits of the guarantee referred to in point (e) of this article shall be subject to an increase at such rate being equivalent to the revaluation rate determined announced pursuant to the duplicate Article 298 of the Tax Procedure Law for the past years.

The policies and procedures regarding travel agents and their branches, guarantees, the introductions by professional organizations having the characteristics of public institutions, personnel, workplace, tourist-carrying vehicles, the qualifications of transfer personnel as well as the matters referred to in point (a) shall be governed by, and subject to, the regulations as will be prepared by the Ministry.

Qualifications of a travel agent's business place

Article 11- (Annulled: Article 5571/29, date: 28/12/2006)

IV- INSURANCE⁽¹⁾

Compulsory Insurance¹

Article 12 ó (Amendment: Article 5571/7, date: 28/12/2006)

In respect of package tours sold in Turkey:

a) Within the scope of package tours they organized, travel agents must insure the liabilities as may arise from the failure to provide to customers the services undertaken, including the bankruptcy of the travel agent or the failure to provide the same in accordance with the undertaking. In such case, the liability of the insurer must be at least the equivalent of the package tour amount. Customers may claim their damages / losses under the coverage directly from the insurance company.

Travel agents and insurance companies shall be obliged to submit to the Ministry a copy of the agreement within five business days as of the date they concluded the insurance agreement. In the event the agreement is terminated prior to its expiry, such termination shall be notified by travel agents and insurance companies to the Ministry within the same period.

Such insurance companies holding a license in the relevant branch must take out a policy for package tour. Where necessary, the Under secretariat of Treasury shall be entitled to determine insurance premiums.

b) When drafting the package tour agreement, the customer must be informed that s/he can insure;
1-the costs of returning to the starting point in case of accident and disease,
2-His/her losses and treatment costs arising from any kind of accident up to the limit of the policy.

Amount of guarantee

Article 13- (Annulled: Article 5571/29, date: 28/12/2006)

Guarantee in case of revocation of operating licenses

Article 14- (Annulled: Article 5571/29, date: 28/12/2006)

(1) While the heading of this article was "GUARANTEE TO BE REQUIRED FROM TRAVEL AGENTS", while the heading of the article 12 was "Startup guarantee", the headings were amended as included in the text under the Article 7 of the Law 5571, dated 28/12/2006.

Guarantee in case of termination of the business activity or change of category

Article 15- (Annulled: Article 5571/29, date: 28/12/2006)

The status of creditors in respect of guarantee

Article 16- (Annulled: Article 5571/29, date: 28/12/2006)

V - OBLIGATIONS OF TRAVEL AGENTS

Notification

Article 17 - Owners of travel agencies, the managers authorized for and on behalf of the board of directors in the case of legal entities shall notify the Ministry in writing of any changes to the matters referred to in their letter of applications and in operating licenses within 30 days as of the date of such change.

Notification

Article 18- (Annulled: Article 5571/29, date: 28/12/2006)

Advertisement and Promotions

Article 19 - Travel agents may not carry out inaccurate or misleading promotions or advertisements. **(Annulled second sentence: Article 5800/1, date: 31/7/2008)**

Correspondence

Article 20 - Travel agents shall reply circulars and letters about other matters sent by the Ministry within 15 days at the latest or advise the Ministry about the delay of a reply thereto.

Travel agents shall also be obliged to reply letters of other domestic and foreign entities with respect to travel agent operations and all tourism activities within the same period of time. Travel agents shall retain the said correspondences for a period of five years.

(annulled third paragraph: Article 5800/2, date: 31/7/2008)

Professional secret

Article 21 - Travel agents shall keep confidential, and ensure the confidentiality of, the names and addresses of customers and personal matters relating to their tours. The applicable provisions of the law shall be reserved.

VI - LOANS AND OTHER CONVENIENCES
TO BE PROVIDED TO TRAVEL AGENTS

Loan

Article 22- (Annulled: Article 5571/29, date: 28/12/2006)

Conveniences

Article 23- (Annulled: Article 5571/29, date: 28/12/2006)

VII - AUDIT AND SUPERVISION

Audit

Article 24 - The Ministry's inspectors, principal auditors, regional directors or other persons as may be authorized by the Ministry shall be entitled to audit travel agents and the Association of Travel Agencies at any time.

The personnel of Travel Agencies and the Association of Travel Agencies shall be obliged to provide any kind of information and make any documents available during the audit.

Tour - base prices

Article 25- (Annulled: Article 5571/29, date: 28/12/2006)

Record Keeping

Article 26- The records of travel agents and the Association of Travel Agencies shall be kept orderly and in detail at the Ministry.

VIII - REVOCATION AND PENALTY

Administrative fines and license cancellation⁽¹⁾

Article 27 ó (Amendment: Article 5800/3, date: 31/7/2008)

The following penalties shall be imposed on the travel agencies failing to comply with the policies and principles provided for under this Act and under applicable regulations.

a) Administrative fines and the circumstances where such fines shall be applicable are stated below:

1 - Some one thousand five hundred New Turkish Liras in case of breach of point (a) or (f) of the first paragraph of the Article 10 of this Act.

2 - Some one thousand New Turkish Liras in case of breach of any one of the Articles 7, 17, 19 or 21 or points (c), (ç) or (d) of the first paragraph of the Article 10 of this Article.

3 Two thousand New Turkish Liras in case of failure to provide the information and documents referred to under this Act or required by the Ministry in a timely manner or in case of providing misleading information or documents.

(1) While the heading of this article was "Reasons of Revocation", it was amended as included in the text under the Article 8 of the Law 5571, dated 28/12/2006.

4 Except for the acts referred to under this article, the travel agents not complying with the provisions of this Act shall be warned by the Ministry to remedy thereof or not to repeat the non-compliance with the legislation. One thousand New Turkish Lira in case of failure to remedy the non-compliance within thirty days after the warning or in case of discovery of the same or other actions that require warning within one year.

5 - **(Addition: Article 63267/13, date: 7/6/2012)** One thousand Turkish Liras separately for each act of non-compliance by travel agents who do not make a written guide agreement for the tour or who employ guides below the base price.

b) The license to operate as a travel agent shall be cancelled in the following circumstances.

1 - Failure to arrange the compulsory insurance pursuant to the provisions of the Article 12 of this Act.

2 - In case of determination that the travel agent lost its qualifications necessary to obtain license or that the travel agent engages in activities not contained under this Act.

3 - In case of determination of any act in breach of the point (b) or (e) of the Article 10 of this Act.

The names / titles of travel agents whose operating licenses are cancelled pursuant to this article or titles that may lead to confusion may not be re-given to any travel agent. The licenses / documents of travel agents who are imposed by the Association a penalty of exclusion from membership temporarily or for a long time shall be cancelled throughout the temporary suspension if their actions do not require a penalty pursuant to point (b) of this Article.

Provision regarding the cancellation

Article 28- (Annulled: Article 5571/29, date: 28/12/2006)

Cease and desist order

Article 29 - Travel agents who carry on business as a travel agents under a temporary license or without an operating license shall be issued a cease and desist order by the highest-rank civilian authority of that location. **(Annulled last sentence: Article 5571/4, date: 28/12/2006)**

Penalty

Article 30 ó (Amendment: Article 5571/9, date: 28/12/2006) ⁽¹⁾

Those who engage in the travel agent activities without obtaining a license from the Ministry pursuant to this Act shall be subject to an administrative fine from two thousand Turkish Liras to five thousand Turkish Liras by the civilian authority, in addition to administrative investigation referred to Article 29. ⁽¹⁾

Those who engage in guide activities without obtaining the required license from the Ministry shall be subject an administrative fine ranging from five hundred Turkish Liras to two thousand Turkish Liras. ⁽¹⁾

Except for those which are expressly provided in the agreement made with the customer or which are directly relating to the services provided, If the travel agents or contracted guide, during the services they provide to customers, gain any interest in return for the shopping made by the customers or their reference to a specific business enterprise, except for those expressly stated in the agreement, the licenses of such travel agents and guides shall be cancelled by the Ministry and they may not operate as a travel agent or guide for a period of five years.

Article 31- (Annulled: Article 5571/29, date: 28/12/2006)

(1) By and with the Article 43 of the Law 6352, dated 2/7/2012, the phrase "prison sentence from three months to six months and judicial punishment up to one thousand days" as provided under the first paragraph of this article was amended as "administrative fine from two thousand Turkish Liras to five thousand Turkish Liras by the civilian authority", and the phrase "judicial punishment up to one thousand days" as provided in the second paragraph" was amended as "administrative fine ranging from five hundred Turkish Liras to two thousand Turkish Liras by the civilian authority".

PART TWO

Association of travel agencies

I - PURPOSE AND FOUNDATION

Article 32 - Travel Agencies do and shall establish a legal entity under the name of Association of Travel Agencies to adopt measures paving the way for development of travel agency business in accordance with the national economy and tourism as well as to safeguard the code of professional ethics and solidarity. It is mandatory that travel agents be a member of such association.

The headquarters of the Association of Travel Agencies is situated in Istanbul. **(Sentences added: Article 5800/4, date: 31/7/2008)** The association may start up new branches affiliated with the parent. The Board of Directors shall determine and appoint the staff members and the branch manager of the branch office affiliated with the parent.

II - DUTIES OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 33 - The duties of the Association of Travel Agencies is to perform market researches and surveys about travel agency, to adopt required measures to avoid unfair competition among association members, to organize course and seminars to allow for the training of travel agents personnel, to provide opinion when so requested by the Ministry, to represent travel agents before international organizations and to perform such other duties as mentioned under this Act and in the regulation as referred to in the last paragraph of the Article 34.

The Association shall impose disciplinary penalty to association members who act in non-compliance with the dignity and respect of the travel agency business. The details thereof shall be provided in the regulation.

III - BODIES OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 34- The association has 4 bodies as follows:

- A) General Assembly,
- B) Board of Directors,
- C) Supervisory Board,
- D) Disciplinary Board.

These bodies shall be created and shall operate as follows.

A) General Assembly shall consist of one owner or one managing director as will be sent as representatives by each travel agency. The General Assembly shall elect one chairman, two deputy chairmen and sufficient number of clerks among the members.

General Assembly shall convene in November once in 2 years. Also, the General Assembly may be called to convene in an extraordinary manner ex office by the Board of Directors or the Ministry. It is essential that Ordinary and Extraordinary meetings be attended by the majority of representatives. If such majority is not present in the first meeting, the meeting shall be held within one week at the latest with the majority being not sought. At meetings, resolutions shall be adopted by the majority of the attending representatives.

Duties of the General Assembly shall be as follows:

- a) To investigate and review the Association Accounts, to discuss and resolve the Directors' report and to dismiss the Board of Directors and Supervisory Board wherever necessary,
- b) To discuss and decide about the working schedule and budget of the Association, to determine the remuneration of managers and representatives as well as any benefits and travel allowances to be provided thereto,
- c) To discuss and decide about the matters presented to the attention of the General Assembly by the Board of Directors,

d) To discuss the matters and issues requested to be discussed or be delisted from the agenda by one twentieth of members of the General Assembly, and to decide about the matters put on the agenda.

e) To elect the members of the Supervisory Board and the Board of Directors,

f) To determine the membership registration fee and annual fee,

g) **(Amendment: Article 5571/10, date: 28/12/2006)** To decide the acquisition or selling of immoveable properties or other limited rights in rem where necessary. However, the sale of immoveable assets shall require the affirmative votes of two third of the General Assembly.

) **(Addition: Article 5571/10, date: 28/12/2006)** To represent its members before other professional organizations, public institutions and organizations, to file suits, to establish association, foundation or commercial enterprises, to decide about founding companies or participating in the existing companies in order to realize the purposes of the Association.

h) **(Addition: Article 5571/10, date: 28/12/2006)** To authorize the Board of Directors to determine fees of the documents to be approved, and the services to be provided, by the Association.

) **(Addition: Article 5571/10, date: 28/12/2006)** To delegate power to the Board of Directors in respect of the matters within the power of the General Assembly.

B) The Board of Directors shall consist of 9 members as will be elected by the General Assembly among its members. At least 4 members of the Board of Directors must be the representative of travel agents falling into category (A). Also, 9 substitute members shall be elected for the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall convene at least twice in a month and at any time by and with the call of the chairman.

The duties of the Board of Directors shall be as follows;

a) To prepare and submit to the General Assembly the working schedule and the budget of the Association,

b) To implement the decisions as may be adopted by the General Assembly,

c) To determine and appoint the staff members and the Manager of the Parent,

d) To decide about ordinary and extraordinary general meeting of members,

e) To perform transfers among budget sections,

f) To discuss and decide about the matters brought for discussion by the Board of Directors and other subjects put on the agenda,

h) To perform other duties in the regulation as mentioned in the last paragraph of this article.

C) The Supervisory Board shall consist of 3 members as will be elected by the General Assembly among the members of the Association. Also, the same number of substitute members shall also be elected.

The duties of the Supervisory Board shall be as follows;

a) To inspect whether the decisions adopted by the General Assembly are implemented by the Board of Directors,

b) To inspect whether or not the procedures and transactions of the Association are performed in accordance with the principles of the applicable legislation,

c) To inspect whether the duties assigned by the Minister have been performed or not,

d) To control the transactions and accounts of the Association,

e) To submit a report to the General Assembly about yearly transactions and accounts of the Association,

f) To submit a quarterly report to the Ministry about the works of the Association.

D) The Disciplinary Board shall consist of 3 members as will be elected by the General Assembly among the members of the Association.

The Duties of the Disciplinary board is, pursuant to the applicable regulation, to impose disciplinary penalties in respect of actions requiring disciplinary penalty determined in the regulation.

The Ministry shall prepare a regulation applicable to the duties and powers of the Association of Travel Agencies and its bodies. **(Added paragraph: Article 5571/10, date: 28/12/2006)** In respect of the matters about which no provision is made under this Act, Article 24 of the Act no. 5362 on Professional Organizations of Merchants and Craftsmen and the provisions of the section one/part three of the same Act regarding the chambers of merchants and craftsmen shall be applicable in respect of Disciplinary Board, disciplinary penalties and the General Assembly meetings, elections and prohibitions.

IV - REVENUES OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 35 - The revenues of the Association of Travel Agencies shall generate from the resources stated below.

a) Member registration fees and annual fees,

b) The revenues to be generated from courses and seminars as may be organized to train the personnel of travel agents,

c) Donations and charities.

ç) **(Addition: Article 5571/11, date: 28/12/2006)** The revenues from the documents to be certified, and the services to be provided, by the Association,

d) **(Addition: Article 5571/11, date: 28/12/2006)** The revenues from publications, social, cultural and training activities,

e) **(Addition: Article 5571/11, date: 28/12/2006)** The revenues from fairs, exhibitions and other similar organizations,

f) **(Addition: Article 5571/11, date: 28/12/2006)** Income from the Association's immovable properties and moveable assets, the revenues from participation and company profits,

g) **(Addition: Article 5571/11, date: 28/12/2006)** Other revenues.

(Added paragraph: Article 5571/11, date: 28/12/2006) The registration fee of the Association shall be two thousand New Turkish Liras, and collected in cash and at once. Annual fee shall be five percent of the member registration fee. Member registration fee and annual fee shall be applicable, subject to an increase at such rate equivalent to the revaluation rate which shall be determined and announced pursuant to the duplicate Article 298 of the Tax Procedure Law 213, in which case such increase shall be applicable as of the start of each calendar year. A late fee shall be imposed on annual fees not collected during the year subject to the power to be granted to the board of directors by and with the resolution of the General Assembly.

PART THREE

Final Provisions

Article 36 - The Article 34 of the Tourism Industry Promotion Law 6086 was abolished.

Provision Article 1 - The travel agents and branches established prior to the effect of this act must adapt themselves to the provisions of this act within 6 months and re-obtain an operating license. The existing licenses of the travel agents failing to adapt themselves to the provisions of this law shall be cancelled.

Among the travel agents who applied to obtain a license to operate as a category (A) travel agent, those who certify that they generated foreign currency in the amount as referred to under 2nd paragraph of the Article 4 within the last two years from the touristic tours they organized from foreign countries shall be provided with the operating license. The travel agents who failed to generate foreign currency in the said amount within the last two years shall be provided with a temporary operating license.

Provisional Article 2- The Ministry of Tourism and Promotion shall assign an association of travel agencies until the establishment of the Association, which shall be responsible for presenting opinion about the adaptation of the travel agents and branches established prior to the effect of this act to the provisions of this act within a maximum period of 4 months, and for performing the duties of the Association of Travel Agencies in respect of new applications.

Within one month after the travel agents have adapted themselves to the provisions of this act, the assigned association of travel agencies shall convene the initial General Assembly of the Association of Travel Agencies. *Travel agents*

Provisional Article 3 - (Addition: Article 5571/12, date: 28/12/2006)

The operating licenses of the travel agencies owned by natural persons shall be, for once only, assigned to the legal entity within two years as of the effect of this Act.

The travel agents established on the date of effect of this Act shall be obliged to provide the Ministry with a guarantee as referred to under point (e) of the Article 10 of this Act within two years as of the publication of the regulation which shall be prepared pursuant to the last paragraph of the same act. Upon the submission of the said letters of guarantee, the existing letters of guarantee retained at the Ministry shall be returned. The licenses of the travel agents failing to act in compliance with the foregoing obligation shall be cancelled pursuant to points (b) and sub-point (4) of the Article 27 of this Act.

Provisional Article 4 - (Addition: Article 5800/5, date: 31/7/2008)

Subject to application within one year as of the date of effect of this Act, the licenses of the travel agents whose operating licenses are cancelled three times in a year subject to an administrative fine pursuant to point (b) and sub-point (2) of the Article 27 prior to the date of effect of this Act shall renewed.

Article 37- This Act shall take effect on the date of its publication.

Article 38- This Act shall be executed by the Ministry.

**THE LIST SHOWING THE DATE OF EFFECT OF THE LEGISLATION
WHICH PROVIDES ADDITIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO THE ACT 1618**

Amending Act	The amended articles of the Act 1618	Date of effect
5571	7 2,3,4,6,9,10,11,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20,22,23,24,25,26,27,28, Articles 29, 30, 31, 32, 34, 35 and Provisional Article 3	3 months after 13/1/2007 13/1/2007
5728	8	8/2/2008
5800	Articles 19, 20, 27, 32, Provisional Article 4	13/8/2008
6326	27	22/6/2012
6352	30	5/7/2012