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Petition

**To request from the Parliament and the Council of Ministers
to secure the right of expatriate Lebanese citizens to vote for the candidates of their choice in
their original registration districts in Lebanon,
from the countries where they reside, and to abolish Article 112 of the Electoral Law.**

We, Lebanese, men and women, residing in, who fully enjoy our civil and political rights guaranteed by the Lebanese Constitution,

Based on Article 3 of the Parliamentary Electoral Law, which states that every Lebanese, whether resident or non-resident, and who possesses his/her civil and political rights, has the right to vote.

Based, as well, on paragraph (b) of Article 2 of the same law;

And whereas the creation of six electoral districts for expatriates violates the principle of equality and requires a constitutional amendment that cannot be passed through a simple legislative procedure;

And given the many legal and procedural complications that follow, including but not limited to: the lack of clear criteria for the denomination and geographical distribution of the six seats, and the difficulty in calculating the results according to the proportional system and the single constituency abroad;

And since parliamentary elections must be conducted according to democratic principles, allowing all Lebanese, both residents and expatriates, to participate under the same constitutional and legal standards, voting for candidates based on their original registration districts in Lebanon.

And considering that expatriate Lebanese are a living extension of Lebanon and not separate from it, the creation of a separate electoral district for them results in an unjustified discrimination between two categories: “residents” and “expatriates”, which is unconstitutional.

Based on the above, and considering the positions of His Excellency the President of the Lebanese Republic, General Joseph Aoun, in his defense of the Constitution and his commitment to protecting the rights of all Lebanese,

We demand from the Parliament, Speaker and Members, and the Council of Ministers, Prime Minister and Ministers, to guarantee our constitutional right, as Lebanese citizens residing abroad, to vote for the candidates in our original electoral districts in Lebanon, as was the case in the 2018 and 2022 elections, therefore, we demand the abolition of Article 112 of the current Electoral Law.

Signatures follow:

Full Name	Original Electoral District in Lebanon	Country and Place of Current Residence	Signature

For validation: Name, Signature, and Parish Priest's Stamp