

**By the Judgement of 3 February 2026 No. 4-II, the Constitutional Court assessed constitutionality of Article 2 (paragraph 7) of the Law of the Russian Federation «On the Right of Citizens of the Russian Federation to Freedom of Movement, Choice of Place of Stay and Residence within the Russian Federation» as well as items 3 (paragraph 1), 12 (paragraph 1) and 14 (paragraph 1) of the Rules for Registration and Removal from Registration of Citizens of the Russian Federation at the Place of Stay and Place of Residence within the Russian Federation**

The specified regulatory provisions were the subject of consideration insofar as they serve as the basis for resolving the issue of the possibility of registering citizens at their place of stay in non-residential premises which, according to the characteristics provided for by the design documentation of the relevant building, are similar to apartments in an apartment building and at the same time are not part of the accommodation stock of hotels and other temporary lodging facilities.

The contested regulatory provisions were recognised as not conforming to the Constitution insofar as, within the system of current legal regulation, they do not provide for the registration of citizens at their place of stay in the said non-residential premises.

Pending the introduction of appropriate amendments to the regulation, registration at the place of stay in the mentioned non-residential premises shall be performed by the registration authority in respect of citizens who are owners of the relevant premises, and with their written consent and upon documented evidence of family relations or close kinship, in respect of members of their families and their close relatives, upon application by the relevant citizens, in accordance with the procedure established for registration at the place of stay in residential premises, with the issuance of a certificate of registration at the place of stay to the relevant citizens, provided that, in addition to the documents required for registration at the place of stay in residential premises, copies of documents are also submitted confirming that the construction of the relevant building was intended for the habitation of citizens, as well as confirming the suitability of the specific non-residential premises therein being similar in characteristics to an apartment in an apartment building specifically for such use.