

# Englisch

## **1. Commitment to the free democratic basic order**

"I am committed to the free democratic basic order of the Basic Law of the Federal Republic of Germany. In particular, I acknowledge:

- a. The right of the people to exercise state power in elections and referenda and through special legislative, executive and judicial bodies and to elect the representatives of the people in general, direct, free, equal and secret elections;
- b. The obligation of the legislature to the constitutional order and the obligation of the executive power and the judiciary to law and justice;
- c. The right to form and exercise a parliamentary opposition;
- d. The removable nature of the government and its accountability to the representatives of the people;
- e. The independence of the courts;
- f. The exclusion of any form of violence and arbitrary rule;
- g. The human rights enshrined in the Basic Law; and
- h. that anti-Semitic, racist or other inhumane acts are incompatible with the guarantee of human dignity in the Basic Law and are contrary to the commitment."

## **2. Commitment to Germany's special historical responsibility for the unjust governance of the National Socialist regime**

"I acknowledge

- a) Germany's special historical responsibility for the unjust governance of the National Socialist regime and its consequences, in particular for the protection of Jewish life, and
- b) for the peaceful coexistence of peoples and the prohibition of waging a war of aggression."

## **3. Declaration of loyalty**

"I declare that I do not pursue or support or have not pursued or supported any acts that

- a) Are directed against the free democratic basic order, the existence or security of the Federation or a state:
- b) Aim to impair the performance of the duties of the constitutional bodies of the Federation, of a state or of their members by unlawful means: or
- c) Threaten the foreign interests of the Federal Republic of Germany through the use of violence or preparatory acts intended for such use."

## **4. Additional clause**

"I have repudiated any previous pursuit or support of such acts."