

AGREEMENT
ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A JOINT COMMISSION
FOR BILATERAL COOPERATION
BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE STATE OF BAHRAIN
AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF MALAYSIA

In view of the existing friendly relations between the Government of the State of Bahrain and the Government of Malaysia and to encourage and maintain such relations, based on amity and mutual benefits, the Government of the State of Bahrain and the Government of Malaysia have agreed on the following:

Article (1)

The Contracting Parties shall endeavour to take all necessary measures to encourage and develop bilateral relations and cooperation within the framework of this Agreement and in conformity with their respective laws and regulations.

Article (2)

The Contracting Parties shall establish a Joint Commission headed by the Minister of Finance and National Economy for the State of Bahrain and the Minister of Finance for Malaysia hereinafter referred to as the "Commission" to facilitate consultation and cooperation between the two countries in the fields of economies, trade, technical and other fields of mutual interest.

Article (3)

The Commission shall:

- 3.1 consider ways and means to promote the objectives specified in Article (1) and to ensure the proper coordination and implementation of its decisions and/or recommendations; and
- 3.2 review the progress in implementation of all agreements, arrangements and other forms of contracts between the Contracting Parties and study and solve the problems that may arise from the implementation of such agreements, arrangements or contracts.

Article (4)

The Commission shall determine its rules, procedures and its agenda and may establish working groups to deal with specific subjects brought before it.

Article (5)

The Commission shall meet alternately in the State of Bahrain and in Malaysia every two years.

Article (6)

Subject to the approval of both Contracting Parties, representatives of companies, economic or financial groups and enterprises may participate in the works of the Commission. The Commission shall determine the rules and procedures of such participation.

Article (7)

Any difference between the Contracting Parties concerning the interpretation and/or implementation of the present Agreement shall be settled amicably through consultations or negotiations.

Article (8)

Either Contracting Party may, in writing, request a revision or amendment of all or parts of this Agreement. Any revision or amendment, which has been agreed to by both contracting Parties, shall come into effect on such date as determined by both Contracting Parties.

Article (9)

This Agreement shall enter into force thirty days after the date of exchange of notes indicating the completion of the legal requirements by both Contracting Parties.

Article (10)

This Agreement shall be valid for a period of six (6) years from the date it enters into force and shall be renewed automatically for further periods of six (6) years unless either of the Contracting Parties notifies the other in writing about its intention to terminate it, at least six (6) months prior to the intended date of termination. The termination of this Agreement shall not affect the completion of existing projects or contracts signed under this Agreement.

DONE at Kuala Lumpur, on Monday the 29th January 2001, in Arabic and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In the event of conflict, the English text shall prevail.

**FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF
THE STATE OF BAHRAIN**



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**FOR THE GOVERNMENT
OF MALAYSIA**



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