

Cabinet Resolution No. (38) of 2022 Concerning the Attestation Fees of Documents, Bills and Certificates of Origin Provided by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation

The Cabinet,

- Having reviewed the Constitution; and
- Federal Law No. (1) of 1972, Concerning the Competences of Ministries and Capacities of Ministers, its amendments thereof; and
- Federal Law No. (14) of 2016, Concerning the Violations and Administrative Penalties at the Federal Government; and
- Federal Law No. (11) of 2018, Concerning the Organization of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, its amendments thereof; and
- Federal Decree by Law No. (26) of 2019, Concerning Public Finance; and
- Federal Decree No. (54) of 1982, Concerning Consular Fees related to the Attestation of Documents and Bills, its amendments thereof; and
- Cabinet Resolution No. (4) of 2005, Establishing certain Fees for Transactions Provided by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation and Delegations Representing the State Abroad; and
- Cabinet Resolution No. (1) of 2006, Amending the Fees of certain Consular Transactions and Services Provided by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation and Delegations Representing the State Abroad; and
- Based upon the proposal submitted by the Minister of Finance, and the Cabinet's approval,

Resolved:

Article (1) Definitions

In implementing the provisions of this Resolution, the following terms and phrases shall have the meanings appearing next to each, unless the context requires otherwise:

The State : United Arab Emirates.

The Ministry	: Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation.
The Minister	: Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation.
Representative Delegations	: Embassies, consulates, and representative offices of the State at foreign countries.
Local Customs	: The customs department, authority, corporation, or entity in the Emirate.
Persons	: The natural or legal person.

Article (2) Services Fees

1. The Ministry shall collect a fixed fee of (150) one hundred and fifty dirhams, at representative delegations of the State abroad, or through the Ministry's offices, or through any branch of banks operating in the State, or through the local customs, against the attestation of invoices whose value is equal to or more than (10,000) ten thousand dirhams of imports into the State.
2. The Ministry shall collect the against the attestation of certain certificates as per the below schedule:

No	Service Description	Fee (in Dirhams)
1	Commercial documents	2,000
2	Personal Status documents	150
3	Copies of attested certificates and invoices	150
4	Certificates of Origins or Manifest	150
5	Any other document	150

Article (3) Violations and Administrative Penalties

1. The Ministry shall impose an administrative penalty of (500) five hundred dirhams on persons non-abiding by the attestation of certificates of origin and invoices of imported commodities after the lapse of (14) fourteen days as of its date of entry into the State; and the penalties shall be accumulated with the accumulation of violations, and its proceeds should be transferred to the State's treasury unified account.

2. Any interested party may submit a written grievance to the Ministry against the administrative penalty, stipulated in paragraph (1) of this Article, imposed on him within (15) fifteen days as of the date of his notification of the decision subject of the grievance, provided that the grievance is justified and annexed with the supporting documents. The decision concerning the grievance shall be issued within (30) thirty days as of its date of submission, in accordance with the procedure applicable at the Ministry.

Article (4) Splitting the Revenues from Fees

The revenues from fees of attesting invoices of commodities imported into the State through the local customs shall be split between the Ministry and the local authority concerned with electronic connection (90%) to the Ministry and (10%) to the local authority in each emirate.

Article (5) Fees Amendments

The Cabinet shall be entrusted with conducting any amendments to the fees and penalties stipulated in this Resolution, whether it was addition, omission, or amendment.

Article (6) Final Provisions

1. The fees and fines stipulated in this Resolution shall be collected through the means determined by the Ministry of Finance.
2. Entities concerned with implementing the provisions of this Resolution shall coordinate with each other to finalize the Smart Authentication Project (Electronic) and to connect it with the authorities concerned with implementing the provisions of this Resolution.
3. The split of revenue, stipulated in Article (4) of this Resolution, shall be applied after activating the connection between the Ministry's systems and local customs.

Article (7) Executive Resolutions

The Minister shall issue the necessary resolution to execute the provisions of this Resolution, in coordination with the Ministry of Finance.

Article (8) Repeals

1. The following Resolutions shall be repealed:
 - a. Cabinet Resolution No. (4) of 2005, Establishing certain Fees for Transactions Provided by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation and Delegations Representing the State Abroad.
 - b. Cabinet Resolution No. (1) of 2006, Amending the Fees of certain Consular Transactions and Services Provided by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation and Delegations Representing the State Abroad.
2. Any provisions conflicting or contradicting with the provisions of this Resolution shall be repealed.

Article (9) Resolution Publication and Enforcement

This Resolution shall be published in the Official Gazette and shall come into effect as of 01 February 2023.

Mohamed bin Rashid Al Maktoum

Prime Minister

Issued by us,

On: 20 / Ramadan / 1443 AH

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