

Law No (8) for 1983
Concerning Reconciliation on
Crimes of Entry and Residence of Aliens in Qatar

We, Khalifah Bin Hamad Al Thani, the Emir of the State of Qatar,

Having reviewing the Amended Provisional Constitution, articles (23), (34) and (51) thereof in particular,

Law No (3) for 1963 concerning the regulation of entry and residence of aliens in Qatar and its amendments,

Law No (5) – 1970 concerning powers of the Ministers and Justice of ministries and other government organs and its amending laws,

Law No (13) for 1971 concerning the regulation of Justice courts and its amending laws,

Law No (14) for 1971 concerning issuance of Qatar Penalty law,

Law No (15) for 1971 concerning the issuance of the Law of Criminal Procedures,

Based on the recommendations of the Minister of Interior,

The draft law presented by the Council of Ministers,

And after obtaining the opinion of Shoura Council,

Decree as follows :-

Article (1)

The Ministry of Interior may conclude reconciliations on crimes set forth in Law No (3) for 1963, before a lawsuit is filed.

Article (2)

Reconciliation procedures with those who are accused with the crimes referred to in the precedent article, shall be conducted by the officers of the Directorate of Immigration, Passports and Nationality, who are entrusted with legal issues and dealing with these crimes; and every one of them after facing the accused with the crimes raised against him, shall offer that accused reconciliation and to record this in his books. The accused who decides to pay against waiving the claim, must pay during three days from the date of offering him reconciliation, a fine determined in

accordance with the rates, which are issued by an order from the Minister of Interior, on condition that such fine shall not exceed in any way three quarters of the maximum limit of the fine prescribed for the crime, subject of reconciliation.

Reconciliation amount shall be deposited in the treasury of the Directorate of Immigration, Passports and Nationality or to be handled to one of its officers, who are entrusted of legal issues and who are permitted to collect fines by the Minister of Interior.

Article (3)

Reconciliation will not be valid until it has been approved by the Manager of Directorate of Immigration, Passports and Nationality within a period of three days maximum of its completion and the claim will be closed on such approval.

Article (4)

In the event that the accused refuses reconciliation, or refuses to pay on the prescribed date, or the reconciliation has not been approved by the Manager of Directorate of Immigration, Passports and Nationality within the prescribed period, the accused shall be called to the concerned court and the claim shall be immediately settled.

Article (5)

Any person who is charged with one of the crimes mentioned in the Law No (3) for 1963, referred to herein, shall not leave the country unless he has paid the fine of reconciliation, or he is found innocent in a final judgment, or he has executed the punishment which he received as the case may be. Nevertheless, the accused, if his circumstances require him to leave the country, may be permitted to leave after depositing an amount equal to the fine offered to him for reconciliation, in the treasury of the Directorate of Immigration, Passports and Nationality, as a guarantee for the verdict, which may be issued against him.

Article (6)

The Minister of Interior shall issue the necessary implementing orders for this Act in accordance with its provisions and aims.

Article (7)

Authorities concerned shall, each within its sphere of competence, implement this Act which shall be effective after thirty days of publication in the Official Gazette.

Khalifah Bin Hamad Al Thani

The Emir of the State of Qatar

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