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**Decree No (7) of 1988 approving the Media Agreement between the Government of the State of Bahrain and the Government of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria**

We, Isa bin Salman Al Khalifa, Emir of the State of Bahrain.

Having reviewed the Constitution;

And the Media Agreement between the Government of the State of Bahrain and the Government of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria signed in the city of Manama on 5 Safar 1408 A.H., corresponding to 28 September 1987;

And upon the submission of the Minister of Information,

And after the approval of the Council of Ministers,

**Hereby Decree the following:**

**Article One**

The Media Agreement between the Government of the State of Bahrain and the Government of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria signed in the city of Manama on 5 Safar 1408 A.H., corresponding to 28 September 1987, attached to this Decree, has been approved.

**Article Two**

The Minister of Information shall implement this Decree, and it shall come into force from the date of its issuance and shall be published in the Official Gazette.

**Emir of the State of Bahrain**

**Isa bin Salman Al Khalifa**

Issued at Riffa Palace:

On: 18 Safar 1408 A.H.

Corresponding to: 29 September 1988

**Media Agreement between the Government of the State of Bahrain and the Government of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria**

In confirmation of the fraternal relations between the Government of the Kingdom of Bahrain and the Government of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria,

In implementation of the governmental policy adopted by the leaders of the two sisterly countries, which is based on fraternal relations, historical ties, and the desire for productive cooperation to elevate fraternal relations to the level aspired by both peoples,

the two parties have agreed as follows:

**Article One**

The two parties shall work on exchanging news, information, and any other media materials that promote Arab and Islamic brotherhood and common goals that help achieve the highest ideals sought by both countries.

**Article Two**

The two parties undertake that their media institutions shall publish and broadcast important events in both countries on the occasion of national holidays, official delegations' visits, and other occasions.

**Article Three**

Each of the two parties shall provide technical assistance in various media fields to the other party, as much as possible and upon request.

The parties shall work with the aim of:

1- Encouraging visits by officials to enable them to become acquainted with various capabilities in the media field.

2- Exchanging journalists and technicians for the purpose of utilization or training.

3- Exchanging employees and authors of media institutions.

4- Participating in media conferences, seminars, and forums believed to be beneficial in both countries.

The two parties undertake that the competent authorities in their respective countries shall provide all necessary assistance and facilities needed by correspondents, journalists, photographers, technicians, as well as members of television and media missions from the other country.

Each party also undertakes to inform the other party about the legislations, regulations, studies, and research in the media field.

**Article Four**

Within the limits prescribed by the laws applicable in both countries, the two parties undertake to:

1- Encourage the publication of news and information related to countries in local newspapers and magazines.

2- Facilitate the entry and distribution of newspapers and magazines published in both countries.

3- Exchange printed materials and informational publications.

4- Promote tourism in both countries through the media.

5- Cooperate in the fields of advertising and promotion.

**Article Five**

The two parties shall work to strengthen cooperation between the news agencies in both countries and encourage them to establish direct contacts to discuss various aspects of cooperation.

**Article Six**

The radio and television authorities in both countries shall exchange radio and television programmes with media, cultural, and scientific formats. These programmes should be (duty-free), and the sending party shall bear the transmission costs.

**Article Seven**

Each party undertakes to provide facilitations to radio and television teams conducting media investigations or covering events in the other country. The details of these facilitations shall be agreed upon between the two authorities.

**Article Eight**

The two parties encourage the principle of producing joint radio and television programmes that highlight the features of Arab Islamic civilization across various countries of the world.

**Article Nine**

In implementation of the provisions of this Agreement, the two parties affirmed the formation of a joint media committee that will convene alternately in the city of Manama and the city of Algiers once every year. This committee is entrusted with the task of monitoring the implementation of this Agreement, developing an annual action plan for cooperation and exchange between the two sides, and its recommendations become effective upon being signed by the Ministers of Information of both countries.

**Article Ten**

The host country shall bear the expenses of accommodation and transportation within its territory for the media delegations that both countries agree to exchange.

**Article Eleven**

Experts, journalists, and media personnel, as well as all workers sent to both countries under this Agreement, shall be subject to the provisions of the laws and regulations in force in the receiving country in the future.

**Article Twelve**

This Agreement shall be subject to the laws in force in both countries and shall be implemented in accordance with and in consideration of these provisions.

**Article Thirteen**

This Agreement shall enter into force from the date of its signing and shall become final upon the exchange of documents of authentication and it shall remain in force for a period of five years, automatically renewed for another similar period unless either party notifies the other in writing of its desire to terminate or amend it at least six months before its current term expires.

This Agreement has been signed in the city of Manama on 5 Safar 1408 A.H., corresponding to 28 September 1987, in two original copies in the Arabic language.

**For the Government of**

**For the Government of**

**The State of Bahrain**

**The People's Democratic Republic of Algeria**

**Minister of Information**

**Minister of Information**

**Tariq Abdulrahman Almoayed**

**Bachir Rouis**