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**Miscellaneous Amendments Law of 2020**  
**(Repeal or amend the provisions restricting freedoms)**  
**Law No 12 of 2020**

Pursuant to the provisions of the constitutional document for the transitional period, the Sovereign Council and Council of Ministers issued at the joint meeting, and the Sovereign Council enacted the following law.

**The name of the law and its entry into force**

- 1- The law is called the Miscellaneous Law (repeal or amend the provisions restricting freedoms). It comes into force from the date of signing it.

**Amendment**

- 2- Amendments of the following laws as follows:

**(A) The Criminal law of 1991**

- 1) In article 3 delete the corresponding interpretation of the word “adult” and replace it with the following:  
“Every person who has completed 18 years of age”.
- 2) In article 9: The phrase after “who has completed the seventh” is deleted and replaced with “twelfth”.
- 3) In article 25 (2) (B) delete the phrase “if the punishment prescribed is flogging the flogging is not to exceed half the penalty”.
- 4) In article 27:
  - A) The clause (2) delete the phrase “or with the same way the perpetrator used in killing”.
  - B) Delete clause 2 and replace it with the following two clauses:
    - 2) Death sentences may not be imposed on anyone who has not attained the 18 years of age.
    - 3) Death sentence is not permissible on anyone who has reached the age of seventy except in *Hudud* and retribution crimes.
  - C) Item 3 is to be renumbered as 4.
- 5) In article 28 (3): delete the phrase “and the perpetrator may be killed with the same method he/she used to kill, if the court deems it appropriate”.

- 6) In article 30 (4): the word “execution” is deleted and replaced with the words “blood money”.
- 7) In the article 38 (2) after the phrase “or his/her guardian” the phrase “or any of the direct family ” is added.
- 8) In article 42: clause (1) is deleted and replaced by the phrase “blood money is determined by law”.
- 9) In article 47:  
  
    (Firstly) the phrase “age of seven” is deleted from the beginning of the article and replaced by the phrase “the twelfth”.  
  
    (Secondly) the paragraph (b) is deleted and replaced by the following new paragraph (b):  
  
        (b) To be put under the social monitoring or implement the measures prescribed to serve the society in accordance with the law.  
  
    (Thirdly) in paragraph (d) after the phrase “and discipline him/her for a period), delete the phrase (not less than two years”.
- 10) After article 47 the following two articles are added:

#### **The referral outside the judicial system**

47 (A) The prosecution or the court, may refer a case of a child to any societal body determined by the prosecution or the court, provided that it make clear in the assignment decision the conditions and criteria that apply to the child offender.”

#### **Measures established for pregnant women or breastfeeding women accompanied by children:**

- 47 (B)
- (1) Except for crimes punishable by death penalty and crimes punishable by at least five years imprisonment, the court may apply the community service measures to pregnant and breastfeeding women and women accompanied by children under five years of age.
  - (2) For the purpose of applying the item (1) community service measures means committing herself to perform social services in her own social environment or enrolling her in a training, professional, cultural, social or sport courses or any other social services.
- 11) In Article 65

(Firstly) Amend the title of the article after the word “organizations”, adding the phrase “and groups”.

(Secondly) After the word “organization” or “the organization” wherever it appears add the words “group” or “group” will be added as the case may be.

12) In Article 68:

Delete the words "or with flogging not exceeding twenty lashes"

13) In Article 69:

Delete the words "or with flogging not exceeding twenty lashes"

14) In Article 73:

Add the words "without legitimate cause" after the word "work"

15) In article 78 (1):

Delete "or possesses or makes"

16) Article 79 is repealed and replaced by the following new article:

**Dealing in wine**

79- Every Muslim is considered committing a crime if he/she is dealing in wine by buying or selling, and every person who deals with a Muslim in wine by buying or selling, or making, transferring, storing or possessing wine if the person is a Muslim or was intending to deal with Muslims, providing it or entering it into food or a drink or in a material that the public uses, or announces or promotes it in any way, it is punishable by imprisonment for a period not exceeding a year, and it is also permissible to punish him with a fine. In all cases, the alcohol involved is to be destroyed.

17) In Article 80 (1):

Delete the words "or with the flogging not exceeding twenty-five lashes"

18) In Article 81:

Delete the words “or by flogging not exceeding eighty lashes or by both penalties”, and replace it with the phrase “without prejudice to the *Hudud* punishment”.

19) In Article 115:

Clause (2) shall be deleted and replaced by the following new clause:

(2) Any person with public authority who engages in physical or mental torture against a witness or accused or an opponent to make evidence or for a person or others to refrain from providing any information in any law case or incites or helps another person to do so shall be punished with imprisonment for a period not exceeding 3 years with the fine

20) In Article 125:

1- In clause (1):

(First) after the words "in any way any of" add the words "noble beliefs or",

(Second) Delete the phrase "or with the flogging not exceeding forty lashes".

2- In Clause (2), delete the phrase "and the flogging not exceeding forty lashes".

3- In Clause (3), delete the phrase "and the flogging with no more than forty lashes".

21) Article 126 is deleted and replaced by the following new article:

**Expiation of persons, denominations, and groups**

- Anyone who publicly declares the apostasy of a person, sect or group of persons to express their religion or beliefs, or announces the expiation of that person or that group or declares killing someone lawful, shall be punished with imprisonment for a period not exceeding ten years, or with a fine or both.

22) In Article 128:

After the word "religious", add the phrase "or according to the noble beliefs of non-Muslims and people of other religions."

23) After Article 141, the following new Article shall be added:

**Female genital mutilation**

141 A - (1) Any person who removes or mutilates the female genital organ is considered to be the perpetrator of carrying out an adjustment, or modification of any natural part of it that leads to its function being wholly or partly gone, whether it is inside a hospital, health centre, dispensary, clinic or other places.

(2) Anyone who commits the crime of female genital mutilation shall be punished with imprisonment for a term not exceeding three years and a fine, and the place where the crime is committed may be closed.

24) In Article 148 (2):

(Firstly) In Paragraph (a), delete the phrase “flogging shall be one hundred lashes as may be punished”.

(Secondly) Paragraph (b) shall be deleted and replaced by the following paragraph:

(b) If the perpetrator is convicted for the second time, he/she shall be punished with imprisonment for a prison term not exceeding seven years.

(Thirdly) In Paragraph (c), delete the words "by execution, or".

25) In Article 149:

Clause (2) shall be deleted and replaced by the following:

(2) Whoever commits the crime of rape shall be punished with life imprisonment without prejudice to the *Hudud* punishment of adultery.

26) In Article 151:

(Firstly) In Clause (1), delete the phrase "by flogging shall not exceed forty lashes and may be punished."

(Secondly) In Clause (2), delete the words "by flogging shall not exceeding eighty lashes and may be punished".

(Third) In Clause (3), delete “and flogging”.

27) Article 152 is deleted and replaced by the following new article:

#### **Obscene acts**

152- Anyone who commits an act of a sexual nature in a public place or issues signals with sexual meanings that cause harassment of the public’s feeling or public modesty, shall be punished with imprisonment for a period not exceeding six months, or with a fine or with both penalties.

28) The article 153 is cancelled and replaced by the following new article:

#### **Materials and displays that violate public morals**

153- (1) Whoever makes, designs, trades or possesses material that violates public morals, shall be punished by imprisonment for a period not exceeding one month, and may be punished with a fine.

(2) Materials that violate public morals are any expression of sound, picture, drawing, or words intended to arouse the instincts of the recipient, with the exception of articles of moral, artistic, scientific, and cultural or heritage value.

(3) Whoever deals in materials that violate public morals or manages an exhibition, theatre, cabaret, showroom, or any public place that submits material or shows that violates public morals or allows it to be presented, shall be punished with imprisonment for a period not exceeding three years

(4) In all cases, the court may order the extermination of material against public morals and the confiscation of devices and equipment used in its display. A court may also order the closure of the venue.

29) Article 154 is deleted and replaced by the following new article:

### **Prostitution**

(1) A perpetrator of the crime of prostitution is a person who is in a place of prostitution, with the intention of providing a service of a sexual nature to another with or without compensation, with no legal relationship between them, and he shall be punished by imprisonment for a period not exceeding three years.

(2) The place of prostitution means any place intended to engage in prostitution or the one whose convictions have been previously convicted or whose complaints have been repeated to the competent authorities.

30) In Article 155:

(Firstly) in Clause (1), delete the phrase "with the flogging not to exceed one hundred lashes".

(Secondly) In Clause (2), delete the phrase "with flogging, not exceeding one hundred lashes."

(Thirdly) In Clause (3), delete the words "by execution or".

31) In Article 156:

Delete the phrase "with the flogging not to exceed one hundred lashes," wherever it appears.

32) In Article 160:

Delete the phrase "with flogging not exceeding twenty-five lashes or"

33) In Article 170:

Clause (5) shall be deleted and replaced by the following new clause:

(5) The size of *Hudud* theft is determined by law.

34) In Article 173

Delete the phrase "as it may be punished with flogging no more than one hundred lashes."

35) In Article 174:

Delete the phrase "or with a flogging not exceeding one hundred lashes,"

**(B) The Criminal Procedure Act 1991**

1) In Article 3:

(A) Clause 2 and clause 3 are to be cancelled.

(B) Article 3 (1) is renumbered to 3

2) In Article 4:

(Firstly) Paragraph D is deleted and replaced by the following new paragraph:

(D) It is prohibited to torture or assault the accused in any way and not be compelled to provide evidence against himself/herself.

(Secondly) After the paragraph J, the new paragraph H is added:

(H) Respect for human dignity, and it is prohibited to prejudice the honour of any person or to degrade him/her to the extent necessary to respect his/her privacy.

3) In Article 38:

At the beginning of clause (1), the following new phrase shall be added:

"Except for crimes against the state, crimes against public money, corruption crimes, crimes of a continuing nature, and any crime that has prevented their discovery, knowledge, or litigation in relation to them a compelling force or a ruling power."

**(C) The Political Parties Act of 2007**

In Article 14 (c), delete the phrase "taking into account the representation of women according to the percentages determined by the political party".

**(D) The National Security Act of 2010**

1) Article 25 shall be deleted and replaced by the following new article:

**Requesting information**

25- The agency may request information, data, documents or things from any person and view or keep them."

3) Articles 50, 51, 52 and 53 are repealed.

**(E) Traffic Law of 2010**

In Article 66 (2), paragraph (c) is deleted.

**(F) The Passports and Immigration Act of 2015**

(Firstly) In Article 3, the phrase "certificate of fulfilment" and the corresponding interpretation thereof shall be deleted.

(Secondly) Articles 12 and 13 are repealed.

**(G) The Public Prosecution Act of 2017**

1) In Article 13:

Paragraph (c) is deleted and replaced by the following new paragraph:

(C) Not to be registered in any political party.

2) In Article 48 (c), the phrase "trade unionist" is deleted.

**Certification**

I hereby certify that the Sovereign Council and the Council of Ministers approved the Law of Miscellaneous Amendments (repeal or amend the previous restricting freedoms) for the year 2020, in Joint Meeting No. (5) On 28 - Sha`ban - 1441 AH, corresponding to 22- April - 2020.

The Lt. General  
Abdel Fattah Al-Burhan Abdul Rahman  
Chairman of the Sovereign Council

**Law of the Commission for the Reform of the Legal and Justice System of 2020**  
**Law No. (13) of 2020**

Pursuant to the provisions of the Constitutional Document for the transitional period of 2019, the Sovereign Council and the Council of Ministers issued, at their joint meeting, and the Sovereign Council signed, the following law:

**Chapter One**  
**Introductory provisions**

**The name of the law and the starting date of its implementation**

- 1- This law shall be called the “Law of the Commission for the Reform of the Legal and Justice System of 2020”, and it shall be enforced from the date of signature.

**Interpretation**

- 2- In this law, unless the context requires another meaning:
- "Commission" means the Commission for the Reform of the Legal and Justice System, established under the provisions of Article 3 (1),
- “General Secretariat” means the General Secretariat of the Commission established under the provisions of Article 8 (1),
- “The legal system” means the judicial authority, the Constitutional Court, the Public Prosecution, the Ministry of Justice, the Lawyers Admission Committee, the Bar Association, the Institute of Judicial and Legal Sciences, the law faculties of Sudanese universities and any other body concerned with legal and judicial work.

**Chapter Two**  
**The Commission**

**Establishment of the Commission and its headquarters**

- 3- (1) Establishing an independent commission by the name of “The Commission for the Reform of the Legal and Justice System” and the commission shall have a legal personality, a consecutive character, and a public seal, and shall have the right to litigate in its name.
- (2) The Commission shall have its headquarters in the state of Khartoum, and it may establish branches and offices in any of the states or regions in Sudan.
- (3) The Commission shall be responsible for carrying out its work before the Legislative Council.

### **The Commission's objectives**

- 4- The Commission aims to rebuild and develop the legal and justice system, and to ensure its independence and the rule of law, and without prejudice to the objectives above, the Commission has the following goals:
- (A) Legal and institutional reform of the legal and judicial system, and ensuring its independence,
  - (B) Promoting the principle of accountability for the legal and judicial system, and establishing principles of equal opportunity and justice,
  - (C) Encouraging and activating the role of the legal and justice system in building, developing and disseminating a culture of the rule of law.

### **Formation of the Commission**

- 5- The formation of the Commission shall be by a decision from the Council of Ministers as follows:
- (A) The Chief Judge as President
  - (B) The Attorney General is an alternate president
  - (C) The Minister of Justice is a member and a rapporteur
  - (D) The President of the Bar Association is a member
  - (E) Two representatives from:
    - Firstly: The judiciary
    - Secondly: The Public Prosecution
    - Thirdly: The Ministry of Justice are members
    - Fourthly: The Bar Association
  - (F) Deans of the Faculties of Law at the Universities of Khartoum and Al-Neelain
  - (G) Six of the legal experts with expertise and competence in the law who are not working in the judicial and judicial organs of the state are chosen by the chief justice, the public prosecutor and the minister of justice and each of the three are to choose two members
- as members

### **The mandates and powers of the Commission**

- 6- In order to achieve its goals stipulated in Article 4, the Commission shall have the following mandates and powers: -
- (A) Laying down the general policies, plans, programs and measures necessary to reform, develop, and rebuild the legal and judicial system,
  - (B) Determine the general conditions for joining the legal and judicial system, for both jurists and the employees in the legal and judicial system,
  - (C) Reviewing and studying the legal status of all employees of the legal and judicial system, and issuing appropriate decisions regarding them,
  - (D) Dismantling the empowerment structure in the legal and justice system, in accordance with the provisions of the laws regulating this.
  - (E) Laying the foundations and controls to achieve the integration of roles, coordination and cooperation among the legal and justice system, in a manner

- that guarantees the application of the rule of law and the proper functioning of justice,
- (F) Initiate draft laws related to legal and judicial work, and reform laws regulating the legal and judicial system,
  - (G) Organizing conferences, seminars, and training courses on legal and judicial work.
  - (H) Requesting information and data and statistics from the legal and judicial system and collecting it, and establishing a database of its own,
  - (I) Review and study the administrative, organizational, and functional structures of the legal and judicial system, and issue the necessary directions in this regard,
  - (J) Approving the organizational and functional structure of the Commission, and submitting it to the competent authorities for approval,
  - (K) Approving the annual draft budget of the Commission and submitting it to the competent authorities for approval.
  - (L) Forming the necessary committees to assist in carrying out its duties.
  - (M) Issuing an internal regulation to organize its business and meetings,
  - (N) Any other mandates and powers necessary for the performance of its business.

### **Commission meetings**

- 7- (1) The Commission holds a regular meeting every month, and it may hold an emergency meeting upon the invitation of its chairperson or whenever necessary.
- (2) The quorum for the Commission meeting shall be completed with the attendance of more than half of the members.
- (3) The Chairperson of the Commission presides over its meetings. In his/her absence, the meetings are presided by his/her deputy. In their absence, the meeting is presided over by the member who is elected by the members.
- (4) The decisions and recommendations of the Commission shall be passed by a majority of the votes of the members attending a legitimate meeting, and when the votes are equal, the President shall have a casting vote.

### **Chapter Three** **General Secretariat**

#### **The creation of a public secretariat**

- 8- (1) A General Secretariat of the Commission called "The General Secretariat" shall be established to assume administrative, executive and financial work headed by a Secretary General, provided that he is experienced and competent and appointed by a decision of the Council of Ministers based on the recommendation of the President of the Commission.
- (2) The General Secretariat operates under the supervision of the President of the Commission, through specialized technical departments.

### **Authorities of the General Secretariat**

- 9- The General Secretariat shall have the authority to conduct the executive and administrative work of the Commission, without prejudice to the general provisions of the above. The General Secretariat shall have the following powers:
- (A) Implementing the decisions and directives of the Commission,
  - (B) Following up on the implementation of the Commission's annual budget clauses,
  - (C) Carrying out the necessary executive and administrative work for all the specialized permanent and temporary committees,
  - (D) Proposing the general policies, plans, programs and measures necessary to reform, develop and rebuild the legal and justice system,
  - (E) Preparing the annual budget and submitting it to the Commission for approval.
  - (F) Preparing the organizational and functional structure of the Commission and the conditions of service of its employees, and submitting it to the Commission,
  - (G) To perform any other duties assigned to it by the Commission or its Chairman.

### **Chapter Four** **Financial provisions**

#### **The financial resources of the Commission**

- 10- The financial resources of the Commission consist of the following:
- (A) The funds allocated to it by the state,
  - (B) Any other financial resources approved by the Minister of Finance and Economic Planning.

#### **Budget of the Commission**

- 11- The Commission shall have an independent annual budget prepared according to the established principles in the state.

#### **Depositing the Commission funds and book-keeping and accounts**

- 12- (1) The Commission deposits its funds in bank accounts with the Central Bank of Sudan or any other bank approved by the Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning.
- (2) The Commission shall keep its accounts and books in a correct and regular manner in accordance with sound accounting principles.

#### **Auditing**

- 13- The National General Auditing Bureau reviews the accounts of the Commission at the end of each fiscal year.

## **Chapter Five** **General Provisions**

### **Immunity of the chairperson of the Board of Commissioners and its members**

- 14- Except in cases of *flagrante delicto*, it is not permissible to arrest or take any action against the President of the Board of Commissioners or any of its members, in any action related to the performance of their duties entrusted to them under the provisions of this law, except after obtaining written permission from the competent authorities in accordance with the laws regulating them.

### **Mandatory implementation of the Commission decisions, directives and measures**

- 15- The legal and judicial system, the state apparatus, and any of its employees shall be obligated to implement the decisions, directives and measures issued by the Commission in accordance with the provisions of this law.

### **Confidentiality of the information**

- 16- It is prohibited for the President of the Commission, any of its members, employees, and experts it uses, to divulge any of the secrets, information, or data that come to their knowledge due to their performance of their duties during their assumption of their duties or tasks and after their completion except within the limits of the mandates and powers granted to them under the provisions of this law.

### **Not enjoying immunity**

- 17- In spite of any provision in any other law, no person shall have any immunity in any investigation procedures taken by the Commission.

### **Violating the provisions of the law**

- 18- Anyone who violates the provisions of this law or the regulations issued pursuant thereto, the provisions of the Criminal Law of 1991, or any other law that provides for a more severe punishment, apply to him/her.

### **Appeal**

- 19- The regulations specify the procedures for the appeal of the Commission's decisions and time restrictions, and the bodies to appeal to concerning those decisions.

### **Oath of performance**

- 20- 20- (1) With the exception of the President and its Alternate President and its Rapporteur, members of the Commission shall take an oath before the Prime Minister, before performing the duties of the following oath: -

I ..... have been appointed a member of the Commission, I swear to God Almighty to devote my time to serving the Commission, and to perform my duties without fear, favouritism or bad intention and not to disclose to any person who is not legally authorized any information, reports, data or documents that come to my knowledge during the performance of my duties, whether directly or indirectly,

(2) The General Secretary and the staff of the Commission shall perform before the President of the Commission, before performing their duties, the following section:

I ..... have been appointed Secretary-General / Member of the Commission, I swear to God Almighty to devote my time to serving the Commission, and to perform my duties without fear, favour, or bad intent, and not to disclose to any person who is not legally authorized any information or reports, data or documents that come to my knowledge during the implementation of my duties, whether directly or indirectly.

### **Financial disclosure statements of the President and members of the Commission**

- 21- After completing the oath stipulated in the provisions of Article 20, the President and its members shall submit financial disclosure statements to the competent authority.

### **The authority to issue regulations, orders and rules**

- 22- The Commission may issue regulations, orders and rules necessary to implement the provisions of this law.

### **Certification**

I hereby certify that the Sovereign Council and the Council of Ministers passed the Law of the Commission for the Reform of the Legal and Justice System for the year 2020, at the joint meeting No. (5) On 28 - Sha`ban - 1441 AH, corresponding to 22- April - 2020..

The Lt. General:  
Abdel Fattah Al-Burhan Abdul Rahman  
Chairman of the Sovereign Council

**The Cyber Crime Prevention (Amendment) Act, 2020**  
**Law No. (14) of 2020**

Pursuant to the provisions of the Constitutional Document for the Transitional Period 2019, the Sovereign Council and the Council of Ministers issued, at their joint meeting, and the Sovereign Council signed the following law:

**The name of the law and its entry into force**

- 1- This law is called the Cyber Crime Prevention (Amendment) Act of 2020, and it will be enforced from the date of signing.

**Modification**

- 2- The Cyber Crime Law of 2018 is amended as follows:

(1) In Article 5:

(Firstly) In Clause (1) (a), the word “two years” is deleted and replaced with the phrase “five years.”

(Secondly) In Clause (1) (b) the word “three” is deleted and replaced with the word “six”.

(Thirdly) In Clause (2), the word “four” is deleted and replaced with the word “seven”.

(Fourthly) In Clause (3), the phrase “ten years” is deleted and replaced with “fifteen years”.

(2) In Article 6:

(Firstly) In Clause (1), the word “five” is deleted and replaced with the word “eight”.

(Secondly) In Clause (2), the word “seven” is deleted and replaced with the word “ten”.

(3) In Article 7:

(Firstly) In Clause (1), the word “five” is deleted and replaced with the word “eight”.

(Secondly) In Clause (2), the word “six” is deleted and replaced with the word “nine”.

(Thirdly) In Clause (3), the word “fifteen” is deleted and replaced with the word “twenty”.

(4) In Article 8: the word “three” is deleted and replaced with the word “six” and the word “five” is deleted and replaced with the word “eight”.

(5) In Article 9: the word “three” is deleted and replaced with the word “six”, the word “ten” is deleted and replaced with the word “fifteen”.

(6) In Article 10: the phrase “two years” is deleted and replaced with the word “five” and the word “five” is deleted and replaced with the word “eight”.

(7) In Article 11: the word “four” is deleted and replaced with the word “seven”.

(8) In Article 12:

(Firstly) In Clause (1), the word “four” is deleted and replaced with the word “seven”.

(Secondly) In Clause (2), the word “six” is deleted and replaced with the word “nine”.

(9) In Article 13: the phrase “two years” is deleted and replaced with the phrase “five years”, the word “seven” is deleted and replaced with the word “ten”.

(10) In Article 14: the word “four” is deleted and replaced with the word “seven”.

(11) In Article 15: the phrase “two years” is deleted and replaced with the phrase “five years”.

(12) In Article 16: the word “four” is deleted and replaced with the word “seven”.

(13) In Article 17: the word “four” is deleted and replaced with the word “seven”.

(14) In Article 18:

(Firstly) In Paragraph (a), the word “year” is deleted and replaced with the words “four years”.

(Secondly) In Paragraph (b), the word “year” is deleted and replaced with the words “four years”.

(15) In Article 19:

(Firstly) In Clause (1), the phrase “five years or by flogging” is deleted and replaced with “eight years”.

(Secondly) In Clause (2), the phrase “six months or by flogging” is deleted and replaced with “four years”.

(16) In Article 20:

(Firstly) In Paragraph (a), the phrase “five years or by flogging” is deleted and replaced with “eight years”.

(Secondly) In Paragraph (b), the phrase “five years or by flogging” is deleted and replaced with “eight years”.

(17) In Article 21: the phrase "three years or by flogging" is deleted and replaced by the words “six years.”

(18) In Article 22: the word “three” is deleted and replaced with the word “six”.

(19) In Article 23: the word “year” is deleted and replaced with the words “four years”.

(20) In Article 24: the phrase “one year or by flogging” is deleted and replaced with the words “four years.”

(21) In Article 25: the phrase "three years or by flogging" is deleted and replaced by the words "six years."

(22) In Article 26: the phrase “six months or by flogging” is deleted and replaced with the words “four years.”

(23) In Article 27: after the phrase “do not less”, the phrase “ten years” is deleted and replaced with the words “fifteen years” and after the word “do not exceed” the phrase “fifteen” is deleted and replaced with the word “twenty”.

(24) In Article 28: the word “seven” is deleted and replaced with the word “twelve”.

(25) In Article 29: the word “fifteen” is deleted and replaced with the word “twenty”.

(26) In Article 30: the words “ten years” are deleted and replaced with the words “fifteen years”.

(27) In Article 31: the words “ten years” are deleted and replaced with the words “fifteen years”.

(28) In Article 32: the phrase “imprisonment for a term not exceeding twenty years” is deleted and replaced with the phrase “life imprisonment”.

(29) In Article 33: the word “three” is deleted and replaced with the word “six”.

(30) In Article 34:

(Firstly) In Clause (1), the phrase “one year or by flogging”, is deleted and replaced with the phrase “four years”.

(Secondly) In Clause (2), the words “two years or by flogging” is deleted and replaced with “five years”.

(Thirdly) In Clause (3), the phrase “two years or by flogging” is deleted and replaced with “five years”.

(31) In Article 35: the word “six” is deleted and replaced with the word “eleven”.

(32) In Article 36: the phrase “ten years or by flogging” is deleted and replaced by the words “fifteen years.”

(33) In Article 38: the phrase "ten years or by flogging" is deleted and replaced by the words "fifteen years."

(34) In Article 39:

(Firstly) In Clause (1), the phrase “ten years or by flogging” is deleted and replace it with “fifteen years”.

(Secondly) In Clause (2), the phrase “two years or by flogging” is deleted and replaced with “five years”.

#### **Certification**

I hereby certify that the Sovereign Council and Council of Ministers passed the Law of the Cyber Crime Prevention (Amendment) Act for the year 2020. At their joint meeting No. (5) On 28 - Sha`ban - 1441 AH, corresponding to 22- April - 2020.

The Lt. General:  
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**Criminal Law (Amendment) of 2020**  
**Legislative No. (15) of 2020**

Pursuant to the provisions of the Constitutional Document for the Transitional Period 2019, the Sovereign Council and the Council of Ministers issued, at their joint meeting, and the Sovereign Council signed the following law:

**Chapter one**  
**Introductory provisions**

**The name of the law and its entry into force**

- 1- This law is called “Criminal Law (Amendment) of the year 2020”, and it shall be enforced from the date of its signing.

**Modification**

- 2- The 1991 Criminal Law is amended as follows:

(A) In Article 93: the phrase “two years” is deleted and replaced with the words “ten years”.

**Certification**

I hereby certify that the Sovereign Council and the Council of Ministers passed the Criminal Law (Amendment) for the year 2020, at their joint meeting No. (5) On 28 - Sha`ban - 1441 AH, corresponding to 22- April - 2020.

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