

**Minister of Interior Decree No. (51) of 2020
Amending Some Provisions of the
Executive Regulations of Law No. 21 of 2015 Regulating the Entry, Exit and Residence of Expatriates,
Issued by Minister of Interior Decree No. 25 of 2019**

The Minister of Interior,

Having perused:

Law No. 21 of 2015 Regulating the Entry, Exit and Residence of Expatriates, as amended;

Emiri Resolution No. 29 of 1996 on the Resolutions of the Council of Ministers Submitted to the Emir for Ratification and Promulgation;

The Executive Regulations of Law No. 21 of 2015 Regulating the Entry, Exit and Residence of Expatriates, issued by the Minister of Interior Decree No. 25 of 2019, as amended by the Minister of Interior Decree No. 92 of 2019;

This draft Decree adopted by the Council of Ministers in its regular meeting no. 31 of 2020 held on 19 August 2020;

Has decreed as follows:

Article 1

Articles 65 and 67 of the Executive Regulations of Law No. 21 of 2015 shall be replaced with the following:

Article 65

“Changing employer for expatriates shall be governed by applicable laws and regulations, subject to the following:

- The competent department within the Ministry of Administrative Development, Labour and Social Affairs shall be notified thereof, in accordance with established rules and procedures.
- The change of employer must take place during the validity period of the residence permit, or within 90 days following expiry thereof, unless the permit has expired for reasons beyond the control of the expatriate.”

Article 67

“An employer applying to dispatch an expatriate worker on secondment shall submit the annex attached to the contract of employment, which shall be signed by the former employer and the expatriate and ratified by the Ministry of Administrative Development, Labour and Social Affairs.”

Article 2

Article 66 of the Executive Regulations of Law No. 21 of 2015 is hereby repealed.

Article 3

All competent authorities, each within its jurisdiction, shall enforce this Decree, which shall come into force on the day following its publication in the Official Gazette.

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Minister of Interior