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Ministry of Commerce and Industry Ministerial Decree No. 327/2015 Regarding the Import Ban of the E-Cigarette and E-Shisha

By virtue of Royal Decree no. 102/2005 specifying the competencies of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry and approving its organizational structure; and

Resolution no. 7 of Conference no. 70 of the Health Ministers' Council for GCC States, held on 3 February 2011 in the State of Qatar, on the total banning of e-cigarette and e-shisha in the Cooperation Council States; and

In accordance with the public interest,

It is Decreed that

Article One

It is prohibited to import e-cigarettes and e-shisha into the Sultanate.

Article Two

Without prejudice to a more severe penalty prescribed by any other law, whoever violates the provisions hereof shall be administratively fined OMR (500) five hundred, and the fine shall be doubled on repeating the violation.

Article Three

Whatever violates this Decree or contradicts the provisions thereof shall be annulled.

Article Four

This Decree shall be published in the Official Gazette and shall come into force as of the day following the date of its publication.

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Corresponding to 22 December 2015

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