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UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
GENERAL SECRETARIAT OF MUNICIPALITIES
PUBLIC HEALTH & ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

DECISION NO. GSM/32 DATED 01/05/2005
CONCERNING CONDITIONS AND PROCEDURE FOR APPROVING ISLAMIC
ASSOCIATIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS THAT SUPERVISE HALAL
SLAUGHTERING FOR THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES ABROAD

The Secretary General

- Pursuant to the Decision of the Federal Supreme Council No. (2) for the year 1980, concerning the formation of the General Secretariat of Municipalities (GSM), as amended; and
- To the organizational Regulations of the National Committee for Food Safety and the Veterinary Control Committee; and
- To the Decisions of the GSM Council:
 - Decisions No. 3/33/92-3 dated 12/05/1992 and No. 26/33/92-2 dated 26/05/1992 concerning rules and regulations for approving Islamic Associations/Establishments to supervise Halal slaughtering for the United Arab Emirates abroad; and
 - Decision No. 3/33/92-2 dated 12/05/1992 concerning the approval of Halal slaughtering certificate's example (Form); and
 - Decision No. 8/52/2000 dated 09/02/2000 concerning the approval of health requirements and Islamic Law in the UAE (Guidelines for Legal and Health Requirements for Establishing & Operating of Abattoirs); and
- To the UAE Standard No. 993/1993 for slaughtering animals according to Islamic Law; and
- To the recommendations of the concerned committees in the GSM; and
- Pursuant to the Decision No.37/53/2000 dated 19/04/2000 of the GSM Council; and
- After consulting with the the Chairman of the 65th Session of the GSM Council; and
- Pursuant to the requirements of the public interest;

HEREBY RESOLVES:

Article I:

CONDITIONS FOR APPROVING ISLAMIC ASSOCIATIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS THAT SUPERVISE HALAL SLAUGHTERING FOR THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES ABROAD

The conditions that came in Decisions No. 3/33/92-3 dated 12/5/1992 and No. 26/33/92-2 dated 26/5/1992 have been modified to the following:

The Islamic Association or Establishment (center, organization, federation, or other similarly named) wishes to be accredited by the General Secretariat of Municipalities to supervise the Halal slaughtering for the United Arab Emirates abroad should comply with the following conditions:

1. The Islamic Association/Establishment that supervises the Halal slaughtering must be recognized or renowned (established) and meet all legal requirements of the country that it exists in.
2. Must have a permanent residence in the country of origin and organizational chart defining the responsibilities and duties of its employees, name and position of the authorized person to sign certificates of Halal slaughtering and the acting person, and official stationery carrying its logo.
3. Should have the technical and manpower facilities required for the effective control of the slaughterhouses conducting Halal slaughtering in the exporting country.
4. Should comply with UAE Standard No.993/1993 for slaughtering animals according to Islamic Law, and the rightful (legitimate) requirements for slaughtering animals issued by the General Secretariat of Municipalities (GSM Decision No. 8/52/2000, dated 09/02/2000).
5. Should issue Halal slaughtering certificate similar to the example certificate approved by the UAE, as per the decision of the GSM No. 3/33/92-2, dated 12/5/1992 and the certificate should have serial numbers.
6. The Islamic Association/Establishment must have a section for Halal slaughtering, equipped with documentary system for all the records that are required for the work such as records for the supervisors for the Halal slaughtering, slaughter men, the supervised slaughterhouses, issued slaughtering certificates, and other related documents to refer to when the need arises and if required by the concerned committees of the GSM.
7. The Islamic Establishment must have its own inspectors and supervisors of the slaughterhouses and the number of slaughterhouses supervised by each inspector must not exceed three.
8. No commercial companies or individuals should be appointed to supervise Halal slaughtering in favor of the UAE.

9. The Islamic Association must have a system for selecting inspectors and slaughter men and issuing them labor cards (work permits).
10. The Islamic Association must have training system for supervisors and slaughter men to increase their efficiency and skills.
11. The Association/Establishment must be involved in charity, humanitarian, aid or any other service activities for Moslems.
12. Should have a system to issue certificates and keeping stamps and other recognized signatures.
13. Should send to the GSM copies of the signatures of the authorized person to sign the Halal certificates and the acting person as well.
14. The Association/Establishment must send an annual report to the GSM showing its activities, accomplishments and number of Halal certificates it issued.
15. No Association/Establishment will be accredited unless it agrees to the above mentioned conditions, and the accreditation will follow in accordance with the procedure steps listed below in article II

ARTICLE II:

PROCEDURE FOR ACCREDITING ISLAMIC ASSOCIATIONS OR ESTABLISHMENTS THAT SUPERVISE HALAL SLAUGHTERING FOR THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES ABROAD

The Islamic Association/Establishment (center, organization, federation, or other similarly named) wishes to be accredited by the General Secretariat of Municipalities to supervise the Halal slaughtering for the United Arab Emirates abroad should comply with the following accreditation conditions and the consequent obligations:

1. The Islamic Association/establishment must meet all the requirements for accrediting Islamic Association/establishment that supervises the Halal slaughtering for the United Arab Emirates abroad mentioned in Article I.
2. Through the official channels, it should submit an application to the GSM, accompanied by all the required documents to prove the Islamic Association/establishment's compliance with the requirements. In addition, it should provide a letter confirming its commitment to cover all expenses involved in travel, lodging and transportation for a delegation representing the concerned committees in the GSM to ensure its compliance, if the need arises.
3. The request of the Islamic Association/Establishment will be evaluated by the concerned committees of the GSM to either accept or reject, if the application does not meet the requirements.
4. If the concerned committees recommend an approval, the matter will be forwarded to the GSM Council to either accredit the Islamic Association/Establishment or recommend a visit to it to confirm its compliance with the requirements. The accreditation will be determined based on results of the visit and the recommendations of the visiting delegation.

5. If the application is denied (rejected), either based on the recommendations of the concerned committees (# 3 above) or based on the result of the visiting delegation (# 4), the Islamic Association/Establishment will be informed, stating the reasons of denial or rejection, through the official channels. The Islamic Association/Establishment will be permitted to re-apply for accreditation following the same procedure, if it rectifies the reasons of rejection and meets the requirements.
6. If the application is accepted, the Islamic Association/Establishment will be accredited for a period of time determined by the GSM Council, and a certificate will be issued from the GSM authorizing it to supervise Halal slaughtering for the UAE in its country of residence. If the need arises, the concerned committees of the GSM will make coordinated or surprise visits to the Islamic Association/establishment to either ensure that it carries its duties in the right way, re-assess or to renew the accreditation.

ARTICLE III:

This Decision is to be circulated among the municipalities and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs for distribution to Foreign Embassies in the UAE and UAE Embassies abroad.

ARTICLE IV:

This Decision will be in effect from date of issue.

(Signature)

Jassim Mohamed Bin Darwish
Secretary General

Logo of Establishment

Name of the Est.

شعار المؤسسة

اسم المؤسسة

شهادة ذبيح حلال

HALAL SLAUGHTERING CERTIFICATE

..... certifies that the under mentioned shipment of meat Beef / Veal / Buffalo / Sheep / Mutton / Goat / Poultry has been slaughtered according to Islamic Rites, in the presence and under direct supervision of its authorized representative appointed in the area indicated below. Accordingly, this meat is HALAL and suitable for consumption by Muslims in any part of the world. In confirmation there of each animal's carcass/carton is branded with official Halal Seal. Adequate precautions were taken to prevent its contamination with non-Halal meat and the slaughtering process has been completed in a place where pigs slaughtering is prohibited.

نشهد..... بأن شحنة اللحوم
الابقار / العجول / الجاموس / الاغنام / الماعز / الدجاج المبيته اذناه قد
تم ذبحها وفقاً لاحكام الشريعة الاسلامية، وذلك بحضور ممثلها المفوض
وتحت اشرافه المباشر في المنطقة المبيته اذناه، تعتبر حلال وصالحة
للاستهلاك لكافة المسلمين في أي بقعة في العالم. وتأكيداً لذلك تم وضع
نتم الحلال الخاص على كل ذبيحة / صندوق، واتخذت الاحتياطات
اللازمة لمنع اختلاطها باللحوم غير الحلال وأن عملية الذبح قد تمت في
مكان لا يسمح فيه بذبح الخنازير.

OFFICIAL HALAL SEAL

نتم الحلال الرسمي

تفاصيل الشحنة

Consignment Details:-

الكمية - نوعها - وصفها

Quantity - Quality- Description :-

الوزن الصافي

Net Weight

الوزن الاجمالي

Gross Weight

رسيلة الشحن

Shipping

رقم الرحلة الجوية / البحرية

Voyage / Flight No.

ميناء الشحن

Landing Port

ميناء التفريغ (الوصول)

Destination

المستورد

Importer

المصدر

Exporter

اسم ورقم المسلخ

Name & No. of Slaughter house.....

الشركة المنتجة والمصنع

Producing Company & Plant

تاريخ الذبح

Slaughtering Date

تاريخ الانتاج

Production Date

تاريخ الانتهاء

Expiry Date

| يوم Day | شهر Month | سنة Year |
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| | | |

.....Code

رقم الشهادة الصحية

Health Certificate No.

اسم مراقب الذبح

Slaughtering Supervisor

التوقيع

SIGNATURE

المستردب المفوض

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF