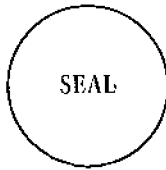


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CONSTITUTION OF BRUNEI DARUSSALAM

PROCLAMATION UNDER ARTICLE 55(1)



**HIS MAJESTY
THE SULTAN AND YANG DI PERTUAN,
BRUNEI DARUSSALAM.**

In the name of ALLAH, the Compassionate, the Merciful, PRAISE be to ALLAH, the Lord of the Universe, and may the benediction and peace of ALLAH be upon Our Leader Muhammad and upon all his Relations and Friends.

BY THE GRACE OF ALLAH, WE, SULTAN HAJI HASSANAL BOLKIAH MU'IZZADDIN WADDAULAHI IBNI AL-MARHUM SULTAN HAJI OMAR 'ALI SAIFUDDIEN SA'ADUL KHAIRI WADDIEN, SOVEREIGN AND CHIEF OF THE ROYAL FAMILY ORDER OF THE CROWN OF BRUNEI, SOVEREIGN AND CHIEF OF THE MOST ESTEEMED FAMILY ORDER LAILA UTAMA, SOVEREIGN AND CHIEF OF THE MOST ESTEEMED FAMILY ORDER SERI UTAMA, SOVEREIGN AND CHIEF OF THE MOST EMINENT ORDER OF ISLAM NEGARA BRUNEI, SOVEREIGN AND CHIEF OF THE MOST ILLUSTRIOUS ORDER OF PADUKA LAILA JASA KEBERANIAN GEMILANG, SOVEREIGN AND CHIEF OF THE MOST EXALTED ORDER OF PADUKA KEBERANIAN LAILA TERBILANG, SOVEREIGN AND CHIEF OF THE MOST GALLANT ORDER OF PAHLAWAN NEGARA BRUNEI, SOVEREIGN AND CHIEF OF THE MOST BLESSED ORDER OF SETIA NEGARA BRUNEI, SOVEREIGN AND CHIEF OF THE MOST DISTINGUISHED ORDER OF PADUKA SERI LAILA JASA, SOVEREIGN AND CHIEF OF THE MOST

HONOURABLE ORDER OF THE CROWN OF BRUNEI, SOVEREIGN AND CHIEF OF THE MOST FAITHFUL ORDER OF PERWIRA AGONG NEGARA BRUNEI, HONORARY KNIGHT GRAND CROSS OF HONOURABLE ORDER OF THE BATH (UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND), HONORARY KNIGHT GRAND CROSS OF THE MOST DISTINGUISHED ORDER OF SAINT MICHAEL AND SAINT GEORGE (UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND), HONORARY COMMANDER OF THE MOST DISTINGUISHED ORDER OF SAINT MICHAEL AND SAINT GEORGE (UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND), DARJAH UTAMA SERI MAHKOTA NEGARA (MALAYSIA), COLLAR OF THE SUPREME ORDER OF THE CHRYSANTHEMUM (JAPAN), THE ORDER OF AL-HUSSEIN BIN ALI (JORDAN), THE CIVIL ORDER OF OMAN, FIRST CLASS (SULTANATE OF OMAN), AL-KHALIFIA (BAHRAIN), QUISSAM EL MOHAMMDI GRAND COLLIER (MOROCCO), THE MOST AUSPICIOUS ORDER OF THE RAJAMITRABHORN (THAILAND), THE GREAT COLLAR OF THE BADR (ARAB SAUDI), KNIGHT OF THE ROYAL ORDER OF THE SERAPHIM (SWEDEN), KNIGHT GRAND CROSS OF THE NETHERLANDS (NETHERLANDS), QILADAT AL-MUBARAK AL-KABIR - COLLAR OF MUBARAK THE GREAT (KUWAIT), GRAND ORDER OF MUGUNGHWA (REPUBLIC OF KOREA), BINTANG REPUBLIK INDONESIA ADIPURNA (REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA), COLLAR OF THE NILE (ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT), THE ORDER OF LAKANDULA WITH THE RANK OF GRAND COLLAR SUPREMO (REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES), THE ANCIENT ORDER OF SIKATUNA RANK OF RAJAH (REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES), THE ORDER OF TEMASEK, FIRST CLASS (REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE), NISHAN-E-PAKISTAN (ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF PAKISTAN), GRAND CROIX LEGION D'HONNEUR (REPUBLIC OF FRANCE), GRAND CROSS SPECIAL CLASS OF THE ORDER OF MERIT (FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY), THE ORDER OF MERIT, FIRST CLASS (UKRAINE), THE ORDER OF PRINCE YAROSLAV THE WISE, FIRST CLASS (UKRAINE), PHOXAY LANE XANG (LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC), THE MOST EXALTED ROYAL FAMILY ORDER OF KELANTAN (KELANTAN), THE MOST ESTEEMED ROYAL FAMILY ORDER OF JOHOR (JOHOR), THE MOST EXALTED ROYAL FAMILY ORDER OF NEGERI SEMBILAN (NEGERI SEMBILAN), THE MOST ESTEEMED ROYAL FAMILY ORDER OF SERI INDERA MAHKOTA PAHANG (PAHANG), THE MOST EXALTED ROYAL FAMILY ORDER OF SELANGOR (SELANGOR), THE ROYAL FAMILY ORDER OF SYED PUTRA (PERLIS), THE MOST ESTEEMED ROYAL FAMILY ORDER OF PERAK (PERAK), THE MOST EXALTED SUPREME ROYAL FAMILY ORDER OF TERENGGANU (TERENGGANU), THE MOST ESTEEMED ROYAL FAMILY ORDER OF KEDAH (KEDAH), THE MOST EXALTED ORDER OF STAR OF SARAWAK (SARAWAK), SERI PANGLIMA DARJAH KINABALU (SABAH), DARJAH KEPAPHLAWANAN ANGKATAN TENTERA - PANGLIMA GAGAH ANGKATAN TENTERA (MALAYSIA), THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE ORDER (MILITARY) (REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE), THE PHILIPPINES LEGION OF HONOUR (DEGREE OF CHIEF

COMMANDER) (REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES), THE CROSS OF HONOUR FOR FAITH AND FAITHFULNESS TO THE STATE (UKRAINE), the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of the Sovereign State and Territory of Brunei Darussalam and all its Dependencies.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS shall come.

GREETINGS:

WHEREAS by Article 55(1) of the Constitution of Brunei Darussalam, it is provided that His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan may at any time, by Proclamation published in the *Gazette*, *inter alia*, dissolve the Legislative Council.

AND WHEREAS by Article 55(2) of the Constitution of Brunei Darussalam, it is provided that His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan shall dissolve the Legislative Council at the expiration of 5 years from the date when it first meets after it is first constituted or is reconstituted at any time unless it has been sooner dissolved.

AND WHEREAS the Legislative Council now in being first met on the 8th day of Rabiulakhir 1433, the Hijriah of the Prophet Muhammad (on Whom be the benediction and peace of ALLAH) corresponding to the 1st day of March 2012.

NOW THEREFORE WE in exercise of the powers conferred upon US by the Constitution of Brunei Darussalam do hereby proclaim that the Legislative Council of Brunei Darussalam be dissolved as from the 3rd day of Zulkaedah, the Hijriah of the Prophet Muhammad (on Whom be the benediction and peace of ALLAH) 1437 corresponding to the 6th day of August 2016.

Done at OUR Istana Nurul Iman, Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei Darussalam this 7th. day of Zulkaedah, the Hijriah of the Prophet Muhammad (on Whom be the benediction and peace of ALLAH) 1437 corresponding to the 10th. day of August, 2016, being the forty-ninth year of OUR Reign in Brunei Darussalam.