# Royal Order no. (45) for the year 2011 The establishment of the National Committee in charge of the Implementation of BICI Recommendations

We Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, King of Bahrain, after revisiting the constitution, and taking into consideration Royal Order no. (28) for the year 2011 on founding the Bahraini Independent Commission for Inquiry (BICI) to investigate the events that have taken place in Bahrain in February and March 2011, and after reviewing the BICI report dated November 23, 2011, we order the following:

#### **Article One**

An independent commission, called "The National Commission", shall be established and shall have the formation and specializations pursuant to Paragraph no. (1715) of the BICI report issued on November 23, 2011, and it will be referred to as "The Commission" whenever and wherever mentioned in this order.

### **Article Two**

The president and members of the Commission shall be appointed only by a Royal Decree later after.

# **Article Three**

The Committee shall be concerned with examining the recommendations included in the BICI report and shall place its proposals in this regard, including recommendations, necessary laws, procedures and how recommendations are implemented.

# **Article Four**

The Committee shall complete its work before the end of February 2012 demonstrating utmost transparency. The Committee will publish a list of the total work being conducted during that period.

#### **Article Five**

The Commission shall guarantee its work output pertaining the implementation of the BICI recommendations, would be in accordance with optimal practice and international standards.

# **Article Six**

The Government may execute the BICI recommendations, those that could be executed without any kind of delay, without having to wait for the Commission's output. The commission may have the freedom in commenting on Government's way of implementing the BICI recommendations.

#### **Article Seven**

The Commission shall adopt decisions pertaining its work output via members' consensus and agreement. If such case is difficult to find, the Commission's decisions shall be taken with the majority's vote, allowing objectors to state explain aspects of their objection.

# **Article Eight**

The Government shall provide all of the necessary resources to facilitate the Commission's work.

# **Article Nine**

This order shall be effective starting the day in which it was issued, and shall be published in the Official Gazette.

King of the Kingdom of Bahrain Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa

Issued in Rifa'a Palace Date: November 26, 2011