Administration of Muslim Law (Haj) Rules

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PART I

PRELIMINARY

Citation

1. These Rules may be cited as the Administration of Muslim Law (Haj) Rules.

Definitions

- 2. In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires
 - "accredited mutawwif" means a person accredited by the Majlis to act as a mutawwif and who has in force a certificate issued by the Majlis under rule 14(3);
 - "approved Haj year", in relation to an application by a person to perform the Haj, means the year specified in the approval of that application as the year in which the person has been offered a place by the Majlis to perform the Haj subject to the availability of quota allotted by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for that year;

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- "approved travel agent" means a travel agent who has obtained the approval of the Majlis under rule 3(5) to provide goods or services to any person for the purposes of the Haj;
- "certificate" means a certificate of accreditation issued by the Majlis under rule 14(3);
- "Haj course" means any training or course relating to the rituals and other procedures required for performing the Haj in accordance with Muslim law;
- "travel agent" means a person who holds a licence granted under the Travel Agents Act (Cap. 334).

PART IA

REGISTRATION FOR HAJ

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Application for Haj

2A.—(1) A person, being a citizen or permanent resident of Singapore and 18 years of age or above, who desires to perform the Haj shall apply to the Majlis to be registered to perform the Haj.

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(1A) A person, being a citizen or permanent resident of Singapore and below 18 years of age (referred to in this Rule as the relevant person), who desires to perform the Haj, may apply to the Majlis to be registered to perform the Haj if the application is made together with an application by one of his parents, or his legal guardian, to be registered to perform the Haj at the same time as the relevant person.

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(2) An application under paragraph (1) or (1A) shall be in such form and manner as the Majlis thinks fit and shall be accompanied by an administration fee of \$240.

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(3) The Majlis may approve an application under paragraph (1) or (1A) on such terms and conditions as the Majlis thinks fit.

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- (4) The Majlis may refuse to approve an application made under paragraph (1) or (1A) if
 - (a) the application is not made in accordance with paragraph (2) or with the rules and regulations imposed by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia;
 - (b) the application contains false or misleading information;
 - (c) the applicant has performed the Haj less than 5 years before the year of the Haj that is the subject of the application; or
 - (d) the quota allotted by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for the year of the Haj that is the subject of the application has been taken in full.
- (5) It shall be a condition of the approval of an application of a relevant person under paragraph (1A), (whether or not that approval is subsequently amended) that the relevant person performs the Haj at the same time as one of his parents, or his legal guardian, as the case may be.

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- (6) An applicant may, at any time, apply to the Majlis to cancel his application.

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- (7) The Majlis may, at any time, cancel any approval granted under paragraph (3) if the applicant had, in his application, furnished any information which is false or misleading.

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- (8) An approval granted under paragraph (3) shall state the approved Haj year.
- (9) If a person cannot perform the Haj in the approved Haj year stated in the approval granted under paragraph (3), he may apply to the Majlis to defer the performance of the

Haj to a different approved Haj year and to amend the approval so granted accordingly.

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(10) Where —

- (a) an application under paragraph (6) is made by the parent or legal guardian of a relevant person who has made an application under paragraph (1A) with his parent or legal guardian; or
- (b) any approval granted to that parent or legal guardian is cancelled under these Rules,

any application of, or approval granted to, the relevant person shall be deemed to be cancelled.

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Notice to perform Haj

- **2B.**—(1) Where an approval has been granted under rule 2A(3) to a person to perform the Haj in the approved Haj year, the Majlis shall, before the performance of the Haj in the approved Haj year, cause a notice to be served on that person to ascertain from him whether he is able to perform the Haj in the approved Haj year.
- (2) The notice issued under paragraph (1) must state a reasonable time within which the person on whom the notice is served must inform the Majlis whether he is able to perform the Haj in the approved Haj year concerned.
- (3) If the person informs the Majlis that he wishes to have the approval granted under rule 2A(3) cancelled within the time stated in the notice or such other time as the Majlis may allow for that particular case, the Majlis shall cancel the approval.
- (4) If the person does not inform the Majlis that he is able to perform the Haj in the approved Haj year within the time stated in the notice or such other time as the Majlis may allow for that particular case, the Majlis may cancel the approval granted under rule 2A(3).
- (5) If the person informs the Majlis that he is not able to perform the Haj in the approved Haj year within the time stated in the notice or such other time as the Majlis may allow for that particular case, the Majlis may, upon application by the person, defer the performance of the Haj to a different approved Haj year and amend the approval granted under rule 2A(3) accordingly.
- (6) If the person cannot perform the Haj in the year that it has been deferred to under paragraph (5) or rule 2A(9), the approval granted under rule 2A(3) shall be deemed to be cancelled.

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