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PART I

Acts, Ordinances, President's Orders and Regulations

**GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN
LAW AND JUSTICE DIVISION**

Islamabad, the 13th October, 2021

No. F. 2(1)/2021-Pub.—The following Ordinance promulgated on 12th October, 2021 by the President is hereby published for general information:—

ORDINANCE NO. XXIV OF 2021

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ORDINANCE

further to amend the Diplomatic and Consular Officers (Oath and Fees) Act, 1948

WHEREAS, it is expedient further to amend the Diplomatic and Consular Officer (Oath and Fees) Act, 1948 (Act No. XXI of 1948), for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

AND WHEREAS the Senate and the National Assembly are not in session and the President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan is satisfied that circumstances exist which render it necessary to take immediate action;

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NOW THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (1) of Article 89 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, the President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan is pleased to make and promulgate the following Ordinance:—

1. **Short title and commencement.**—(1) This Ordinance shall be called the Diplomatic and Consular Officers (Oath and Fees) (Amendment) Ordinance, 2021.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Amendment in section 3, Act XXI of 1948.**—In the Diplomatic and Consular Officers (Oath and Fees) Act, 1948 (XXI of 1948), hereinafter referred to as the said Act, in section 3, in sub-section (1), after the word “administer”, the expression “either online or in physical form,” shall be inserted.

3. **Addition of Section 9, Act XXI of 1948.**—In the said Act, after section 8, the following new section shall be added, namely:—

“9. **Power to make rules.**—The Federal Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, make rules for carrying out the purposes of this Act.”

DR. ARIF ALVI,
President.

RAJA NAEEM AKBAR,
Secretary.



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Islamabad, Pakistan

FOREIGN MINISTER

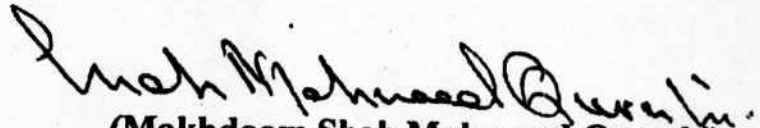
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STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

This Bill seeks to enable and facilitate online services by saving time, reducing cost, and minimizing the difficulties to reach the Consulate and Mission. This Bill also seeks to empower Federal Government to make rules for carrying out the purposes of the Act XXI of 1948.

2. The Bill has been designed to achieve the aforesaid objectives.


(Makhdoom Shah Mahmood Qureshi)



STATEMENT OF WORKS AND RESULTS

The Bill has been designed to address the various aspects of the Act of 1918. It aims to provide a framework for the implementation of the Act, ensuring that the objectives set out in the Act are met. The Bill also provides for the appointment of a committee to study the Act and report back to the Government. The Bill is intended to be a comprehensive measure that will address all the issues raised in the Act.

John A. Macdonald
(Minister of Foreign Affairs)