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THE RENT CONTROL (BUSINESS AND
TRADE PROPERTY IN MANAMA) ORDINANCE.

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We, Sulman bin Hamad Alkhalifab Ruler of Bahrain, do hereby order the enactment of the following Rent Control (Business and Trade Property in Manama) Ordinance 1955:

1. THIS Ordinance may be cited as "The Rent Control (Business and Trade Property in Manama) Ordinance 1955" and shall come into force on the Ist Ramadhan 1374 (23rd of April 1955).
2. FOR the purposes of this Ordinance, unless the context otherwise requires:-
"area" means the Municipal area of Manama;
"landlord" means the owner of any property in the area and any tenant or sub-tenant who has or may sub-let such property;
"property" means any land or buildings used otherwise that solely as private residences or for social purposes;
"tenant" includes a sub-tenant to whom any property in the area has been lawfully sub-let.
3. NO landlord shall let any property in the area which was let



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on the date of the coming into force of this Ordinance at a rent greater than that at which it was let at that date.








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4. (1) SUBJECT to sub-section (2) of this section, the rent of all property in the area shall be reduced by fifteen per cent as from the termination, either by effluxion of time or otherwise, of the lease or tenancy agreement affecting the same and current on the date of the coming into force of this Ordinance.
(2) SUB-SECTION (1) of this section shall not apply to buildings completed and first occupied after the first day of April 1953.
5. NO landlord shall demand and no person shall pay or give any premium as a condition of the grant or continuance of a tenancy of any property in the area.
6. ANY person who contravenes any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be guilty of an offence and shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine not exceeding 1000 rupees.

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7. (1) A landlord may apply to a Court for an order of ejectiment against a tenant who:-
(a) after any rent lawfully due is one month in arrear, fails, within two weeks of a written notice by the landlord, to pay the amount due; or
(b) wilfully causes or permits damage to the property.
(2) A tenant may take proceedings in a Court for the recovery of any rent alleged to have been paid by him in excess of that permitted by this ordinance.
8. THE Notice of the Government of Bahrain No.9/1374 dated the Seventeenth day of Rabia Awal 1374 is hereby cancelled.

Sulman bin Hama AlKhalifah,
Ruler of Bahrain.

Dated 22nd Shaaban 1374. 14th April 1955.

