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**Legislative Decree No. (30) of 1996 approving the Accession to the Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works**

We, Isa bin Salman Al Khalifa, Emir of the State of Bahrain.

Having reviewed the Constitution,

Emiri Order No. (4) of 1975;

And Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works;

Upon the submission of the Minister of Cabinet Affairs and Information,

And after the approval of the Council of Ministers,

**Hereby Decree the following Law:**

**Article One**

It was agreed that the State of Bahrain shall join the Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works, attached to this law, dated the 9 September 1886, completed in Paris on the 4 May 1896, amended in Berlin on the 13 November 1908, completed in Berne on the 20 March 1914 and amended in Rome on the 2 June 1928, Brussels on the 26 June 1948, and Stockholm on the 14 July 1967, Paris on the 24 July 1971 and amended on the 2 October 1979.

**Article Two**

The ministers - each within his jurisdiction- shall implement this Law, and it shall come into force upon its publication in the Official Gazette.

**Emir of the State of Bahrain**

**Isa bin Salman Al Khalifa**

**Issued at Riffa Palace:**

**On 17 Jumada Al-Akhir 1417 A.H.**

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