After studying:

- The Constitution,
- The Decree no. 3 of 1955 regarding Kuwait Income Tax and amendments thereto,
- The Commercial Companies Law no.15 of 1960 and amendments thereto,
- Law no. 30 of 1964 to establish the Accounting Divan (council) and amendments thereto,
- Law no. 31 of 1978 regarding rules of preparing public budgets and its control and the final account and amendments thereto,
- Decree issued on 07 January 1979 regarding Ministry of Awqaf & Islamic Affairs,
- Decree by Law no. 38 of 1980 promulgating the civil and commercial procedures Law and amendments thereto,
- Decree by Law no. 68 of 1980 promulgating the Commercial Law and amendments thereto,
- Law no. 05 of 1982 to establish Zakat House,
- Law no. 257/93 to establish Kuwait Awqaf Public Foundation,

The state council approved the Law provided herein below and we authenticated and promulgated it.

**Article 1**

The Kuwaiti shareholding companies (closed) have to pay 1 % from their annual net profits, this Law allows these companies, when submitting the declarations of the due amount accompanied with their financial statements, to specify the percentage of zakat from the paid sum. Moreover, the company has the right to request the dedication of sum or all the amount of money to be paid to one of the public services.

Each person submits false data or ceases to submit it with the aim of evading the settlement of the percentage stated in the first paragraph of this Article will be punished by imprisonment for not more than 3 years and a fine not exceeding KD 5,000 (Kuwaiti Dinar Five Thousands Only) or either penalty with the judgment of settling the required amount.
Article 2

The Ministry of Finance shall collect the percentage stipulated in the first Article in favor of the public treasury via the way decided under this Law and its executive regulation.

Article 3

The Minister of Finance shall issue the executive regulation of this Law to set out rules and procedures of collection and disbursement of the funds collected within one year as of the issuance date of this Law including the authorized channels of Zakat after getting the approval of Fatwa Supervisory Board at the Ministry of Awqaf & Islamic Affairs subject to provisions of the first Article herein.

Article 4

All companies owned by the Government, for which special laws are issued in respect of their incorporation, together with the companies subject to the aforesaid Decree no. 3 of 1955, shall be excluded from applying this Law.

Article 5

The Prime Minister and all Ministers, each within his jurisdiction, shall implement this Law with effect from the date of issuing the executive regulation and should be published in the official gazette.

Amir of Kuwait
Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah

Dated: 27 November 2006