

Order No. 4206
issued on 8/8/1981

Establishment of the Committee on the Cost-of-living Index

The President of the Republic,
by virtue of the Constitution,
by virtue of Law No. 36/67 of 16/5/1967 (minimum wage fixing for employees and workers and cost-of-living index),
after consultation with the State Council (Opinion No. 68 of 5/8/1981),

Decides:

Section 1

A Committee shall be established, composed of:

- the Minister of Labour and Social Affairs — Chairman
- Director-General of the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs — Vice-chairman
- two representatives for the Government, one of whom shall be from the Central Administration for Statistics — members
- two representatives from the economic chambers — members ✓
- two representatives from the General Union of Workers — members ✓
- one official from the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs — rapporteur

Section 2

Terms of reference of the Committee:

1. Study the evolution of prices and examine the causes of price rises.
2. Monitor the rise in the cost of living and fix a periodic index for price fluctuations.
3. Examine cost-of-living figures at the central administration for statistics.
4. Examine the wage policy and make proposals and recommendations to limit price rises and high cost of living.

Section 3

The Committee may seek the assistance of the central administration for statistics, any competent person from the public administration as well as any other experts so as to fulfil its mandate upon the request of the Minister of Labour and Social Affairs.

Section 4

Members of the Committee who are not public officials shall be appointed by decision of the Minister of Labour and Social Affairs upon a proposal of the concerned parties. As to the two government representatives, they shall be appointed by a joint decision taken by the Minister of Labour and the minister concerned.

Section 5

The Committee shall begin its work as soon as it is notified of the present Order so as to fix the cost-of-living index for 1981 and submit its results to the competent authority.

Section 6

The headquarters of the committee and its subsidiary organs shall be at the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs.

Section 7

The cost and expenses of the committee shall be covered from the 1981 reserves and from an annual allocation in the budget of the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs.

Section 8

This Order shall be published and notified to those concerned.

Baabda, 8/8/1981

(Signed) E. Hraoui