

Executive Council Resolution No. (20) of 2005
Adopting the Use of Electronic Messaging in Communications Amongst
Government of Dubai Departments, Corporations, and Authorities¹

We, Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Chairman of the Executive Council,

After perusal of:

Law No. (2) of 2002 Concerning Electronic Transactions and e-Commerce,

Do hereby issue this Resolution.

Article (1)

Effective as of 1 September 2006, Electronic Messaging is hereby adopted as a method of official correspondence amongst Government of Dubai departments, corporations, and authorities; and between these entities and the public.

Article (2)

To be adopted as official correspondence, an Electronic Message must bear an Electronic Signature approved by the competent entity at His Highness the Ruler's Court.

Article (3)

The Government Resources Planning Department of His Highness the Ruler's Court will manage the Electronic Messaging project and will take the necessary actions to implement this project across all Government departments, corporations, and authorities. These actions include:

1. creating a central directory of the electronic addresses of the employees of the Government of Dubai and the entities involved in the project;

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¹Every effort has been made to produce an accurate and complete English version of this legislation. However, for the purpose of its interpretation and application, reference must be made to the original Arabic text. In case of conflict, the Arabic text will prevail.

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2. creating and approving the Electronic Signatures of the employees of the Government of Dubai and the entities involved in this project; and
3. providing a central storage facility for maintaining and archiving Government official Electronic Correspondence.

Article (4)

This Resolution comes into force on the day on which it is issued, and will be published in the Official Gazette.

Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum

Chairman of the Executive Council

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