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THE AZAD JAMMU AND KASHMIR OATH OF OFFICES ORDINANCE, 1970

(Ordinance XVI of 1970)

(Passed under Government Order No. Assembly-I/70/4420-4500/SL/70, Dated November 10, 1970).

AN ORDINANCE

to provide for the Oath of Offices of President, Ministers, Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of Azad Jammu and Kashmir.

WHEREAS an emergency has arisen which renders it necessary to immediately provide for Oath of Offices of President, Ministers, Speaker and the Members of the Legislative Assembly;

Now, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 24 of the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Government Act, 1970, the President is pleased to make and promulgate the following Ordinance:

- 1. **Short title, extent and commencement:-** (1) This Ordinance may be called the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Oath of Offices Ordinance, 1970.
 - (2) It extends to the whole of Azad Jammu and Kashmir Territory.
 - (3) It shall come into force at once,
- 2. **Definition:-** In this Ordinance unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context the words President, Minister, Speaker and Member of the Legislative Assembly have the same meaning as are assigned to them in the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Government Act, 1970.
- 3. **President's Oath of Office:-** Before he enters upon his office, a President shall make before the Chief Justice of Azad Jammu and Kashmir an Oath in such form set out in the Schedule as is applicable to his office.
- 4. **Oath of Office of Minister:-** Before he enters upon his office, a Minister appointed by the President shall make before the President an Oath in such form set out in the Schedule as is

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applicable to his office.

5. **Oath of office of Speaker:-** Before he enters upon his office a person elected as the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly shall make before the Chief Justice Azad Jammu and Kashmir an Oath in such form set out in the Schedule as is applicable to his office.

6. **Oath of Members of the Legislative Assembly:-** A person elected as a member of Legislative Assembly shall not take a seat in the Assembly until he makes before the Chief Justice of Azad Jammu and Kashmir an Oath in such form set out in the Schedule as is applicable to the members of the Assembly.

SCHEDULE OATHS OF OFFICE

PRESIDENT

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neredy solemn.	ly swear in the 1	name of Ana	n:		

That, as President of Azad Jammu and Kashmir I will remain loyal to the country and to the cause of accession of the State of Jammu and Kashmir to Pakistan:

That I will perform my functions as President honestly and faithfully; and

That I will not directly or indirectly communicate or reveal to any person any official secret which may come to my knowledge as President:

So help me Allah.

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MINISTER

That I will remain loyal to the country and the cause of accession of the State of Jammu and Kashmir to Pakistan:

That I will perform my functions as member of President's Council of Ministers honestly and faithfully; and

That I will not directly or indirectly communicate or reveal to any person any official secret which may come to my knowledge as Minister of the Azad Jammu and Kashmir;

So help me Allah.

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SPEAKER OF LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

That, I will remain loyal to the country and the cause of accession of the State of Jammu and Kashmir to Pakistan:

That I will perform my functions as Speaker of the Legislative Assembly honestly and faithfully; and

That I will not directly or indirectly communicate or reveal to any person any official secret which may come to my knowledge as Speaker of the Assembly:

So help me Allah.

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MEMBER OF LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Ι,	———————————————, having been elected as
	Member of the Legislative Assembly do hereby solemnly swear in the name of Allah:
Th	at I will remain loyal to the country and the cause of accession of the State of Jammu and Kashmir to Pakistan:
Th	at I will perform my functions as Member of the Legislative Assembly honestly and faithfully; and
Th	at I will not directly or indirectly communicate or reveal to any person any official secret which may come to my knowledge as member of the Legislative Assembly:
So	help me Allah.