

In the Name of Allah, the Most Beneficent, the Most Merciful.

Republic of Iraq
General Secretariat of
the Council of Ministers

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Decision of
the Council of Ministers
No. (395) of 2025

Based on the proposal of the Ministry of Finance pursuant to its letter No. (5/58S/8554) dated December 30, 2024

The Council of Ministers, at its twenty-first regular session held on May 27, 2025, decided to approve the recommendation of the Ministerial Council for the Economy (82425D) as follows:

1. Repealing the ban imposed by the Advisory Board of the Ministry of Health on the import of electronic cigarettes, electronic hookahs, and heated tobacco products (IQOS) regarding nicotine and tar ratios, provided it does not conflict with the Anti-Smoking Law (No. 19 of 2012) and any other applicable laws in this regard.
2. The Ministry of Planning and the Central Organization for Standardization and Quality Control shall prepare the standard specifications and technical requirements for the aforementioned products.
3. The Ministry of Finance and General Customs Authority shall set prices of the goods for customs valuation purposes (including electronic and conventional cigarettes, electronic hookahs, and heated tobacco products (IQOS and tobacco heating devices)) and update their classifications for the purpose of levying customs duties on those goods.
4. Coordination between Iraqi commercial attachés and the chambers of commerce operating in the respective countries to authenticate certificates of origin and invoices issued for goods exported to Iraq, for the purpose of sending copies of these certified documents to the Iraqi commercial attaché located in that country forward them directly from there for entry into the system of the National Project for the elimination of authenticity-verification procedures.
5. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, in cooperation with the Ministry of Trade, shall coordinate with foreign diplomatic missions operating in Iraq and Iraqi missions abroad to examine the feasibility of directly approving or attesting documents issued by their respective countries, pursuant to Article (3/B) of the Law on the Authentication of Signatures on Iraqi and Foreign Documents No. (52) of 1970 (as amended).

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