



# TASHICHHODZONG THIMPHU, BHUTAN

## **His Majesty's Kasho (Royal Decree)** English Translation

It is hereby decreed that Foreign Secretary Neten Zangmo is transferred and appointed as the Chairperson of the Anti-Corruption Commission until the new parliament is formed when the Constitution is adopted and parliamentary democracy is established in our country.

With the rapid pace of economic development in our country, there have been changes in the thinking of the people with the influence of self-interest leading to corrupt practices taking place in both the government and the private sector. If appropriate steps are not taken now to stop this trend, it will lead very serious problems in the future, for both the government and the people, in our country with a very small population. In this regard, it is the responsibility of every Bhutanese to act against corruption in our country.

At a time when we are establishing parliamentary democracy in the country, it is very important to curb and root out corruption from the very beginning. Therefore, it is imperative to establish the Office of the Anti-Corruption Commission before the adoption of the Constitution and build a strong foundation for the Commission to effectively carry out its functions and responsibilities.



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The Chairperson of the Anti-Corruption Commission must discharge her responsibilities with utmost loyalty and dedication to the government and the people, unaffected by any consideration for those in positions of power and influence, showing full transparency and no discrimination whatsoever in the line of her work. The Anti-Corruption Commission must fulfil its responsibility of curbing and rooting out corruption through timely and effective checking on private utilization of public funds and persons engaged in unauthorized use of public resources. Towards this end, the Chairperson of the Anti-Corruption Commission is authorized to carry out investigations on any person in Bhutan, regardless of status or position, in the course of discharging her important responsibilities.

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