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F. No. 1/8/2020-Visa
Government of Pakistan
Ministry of Interior

Islamabad the, 5th January, 2021

From: Muhammad Abrar Azam,
Section Officer (Visa)

To: Secretary,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Islamabad

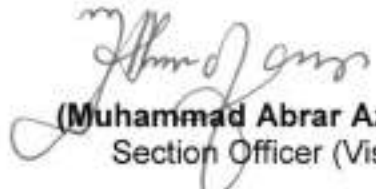
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4. This issues with the approval of the competent authority.


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6. Chairman Board of Investment, Islamabad

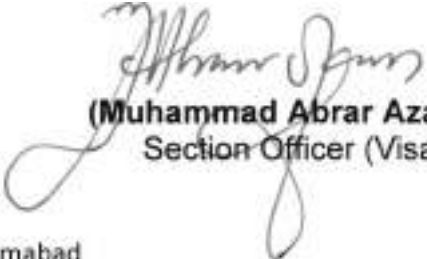
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