Decree Law no. (45) of 2022

On amending Decree Law no. (39) of 2022 on Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing

The President of the State of Palestine,

Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization,

Based on the bylaws of the Palestine Liberation Organization,

The Basic Law of 2003 and amendments thereto,

Upon perusal of Decree Law no. (39) of 2022 on combatting money laundering and counterterrorism financing,

Criminal Procedure Code no. (3) of 2001 and amendments thereto,

Penal Code No. (16) of 1960 applicable in the northern governorates and amendments thereto,

Penal Code No. (74) of 1936, applicable in the southern governorates and amendments thereto,

Decree Law No. (10) of 2018 on cybercrime and amendments thereto,

Decree Law No. (9) of 2010 on banks and amendments thereto,

Decree Law No. (42) of 2021 on companies,

Securities Law No. (12) of 2004,

Law No. (9) of 2004 on the Practice of the Auditing Profession and amendments thereto,

Law No. (3) of 1999 on Regulated Lawyers and amendments thereto,

The Customs and Excise Law No. (1) of 1962 and amendments thereto,

Law No. (1) of 2000 on Charities and Civil Organizations and amendments thereto,

The Anti-Corruption Law No. (1) of 2005 and amendments thereto,

Decree Law No. (18) of 2015 on combating narcotics and psychotropic substances and amendments thereto,

Based on the authorities conferred upon us,

And to serve the public interest,

Hereby issues the following decree law:

Article (1)

For the purposes of making the present amendment, Decree Law no. (39) of 2022 on combatting money laundering and counter-terrorism financing shall be referred to as the original law.

Article (2)

Paragraph (1) of Article (47) of the original law shall be amended to stipulate the following:

1. Without prejudice to this Decree Law, and the rights of bona fide third parties, the Court of First Instance or the competent court or the Court having jurisdiction over the case if it is referred to it, based on the request of the Public Prosecutor and without prior notice, may decide to impose provisional seizure. The provisional seizure decision is subject to appeal.

Article (3)

Any texts that contradict the provisions of this Decree Law shall be repealed.

Article (4)

All competent authorities, each within its own purview, shall implement this Decree Law. It shall come into effect on the date of its issuance and shall be published in the Official Gazette.

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Mahmoud Abbas

President of the State of Palestine

Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization