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**Amiri Resolution No. (12) of 2019**

**Stipulating the organizational structure of the  
Ministry of Commerce and Industry**

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Qatar,**

Pursuant to the Constitution,

Law No. (15) of 2016 Promulgating the Civil Human  
Resources;

Amiri Resolution No. (16) of 2014 defining the  
Competencies of Ministries, as amended;

Amiri Resolution No. (20) of 2014 regarding the  
organizational structure of the Ministry of Economy &  
Trade;

Cabinet Resolution No. (27) of 2015 amending the  
organization of certain departments that make up the  
Ministry of Economy and Commerce and specify their  
functions; and

The proposal of the Council of Ministers,

**The following was decided:**

## **Article (1)**

The organizational structure of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry consists of the indicated departments in the organizational map attached to this decision, namely:

### **Firstly: Departments Under the Minister:**

- 1- Minister Office
- 2- Internal Audit Department
- 3- Planning and Quality Department
- 4- Legal Affairs Department
- 5- Public Relations and Communications Department
- 6- International Cooperation Department

### **Secondly: Departments Under the Deputy:**

- 1- Deputy Office
- 2- Human Resources Department
- 3- Financial and Administrative Affairs Department
- 4- Information Technology Department

### **Thirdly: Departments under the Assistant Deputy of Commerce Affairs:**

- 1- Assistant Deputy Office
- 2- Commercial Registration and Licenses Department
- 3- Companies Affairs Department

- 4- Intellectual Property Rights Protection Department
- 5- Business Development and Investment Promotion Department
- 6- Public-Private Partnership Department
- 7- National Product Competitiveness Support Department

**Fourthly: Departments under the Assistant Deputy of Industrial Affairs:**

- 1- Assistant Deputy Office
- 2- Industrial Development Department
- 3- Industrial Zones Department

**Fifthly: Departments under the Assistant Deputy of Consumer Affairs:**

- 1- Assistant Deputy Office
- 2- Consumer Protection and Combating Commercial Fraud Department
- 3- Supply and Strategic Inventory Department
- 4- Quality License and Market Control Department
- 5- Competition Protection Department

## **Article (2)**

**The Internal Audit Department is responsible for the following:**

- 1- Drafting the annual audit plan for the Ministry's departments, submitting it to the Minister for approval, and reporting on the audit findings;
- 2- Monitoring the extent of compliance with the implementation of laws, regulations and decisions related to Ministry activities;
- 3- Monitoring financial documents such as receipts, invoices, entry vouchers, etc. after disbursement;
- 4- Reviewing the financial guidelines, suggesting the necessary amendments thereof, and monitoring their implementation;
- 5- Monitoring recruitment procedures, vacations, promotions, and other HR-related matters, and ensuring compliance with the laws, regulations, and decisions organizing them;
- 6- Ensuring the safety of funds, property, furniture, equipment, buildings and other assets owned or supervised by the Ministry; and
- 7- Participating in the inventory of warehouse contents and other properties in the Ministry's custody.

### **Article (3)**

#### **The Planning and Quality Department is responsible for the following:**

1- Devising the Ministry's general strategic plan, in coordination with the competent authorities and the concerned departments, as well as taking adoption procedures thereof;

2- Submitting draft execution plans for projects and programs for the various departments for approval by the Minister;

3- Following up on the implementation of the Ministry's strategic plan and execution plans, evaluating their results, and submitting periodic reports on them;

4- Looking into the problems and obstacles encountered when implementing the strategic plan and execution plans, and proposing appropriate solutions regarding them;

5- Verifying the consistency of work systems and methods with the Ministry's competencies and objectives, and submitting the necessary proposals in this regard;

6- Devising programs to evaluate institutional performance, so as to ensure the quality of Department services;

7- Reviewing and evaluating the performance of Departments, and making proposals to raise their general efficiency;

8- Looking into work problems and obstacles in the Ministry, exploring their causes, and proposing appropriate solutions to them; and

9- Proposing plans to develop work systems and methods, as well as simplify procedures, in coordination with the competent authorities and the concerned departments.

#### **Article (4)**

**The Legal Affairs Department is responsible for the following:**

1- Researching, looking into, and following up on legal matters related to Ministry activities, in coordination with the concerned departments;

2- Preparing draft legislation for the Ministry, and expressing an opinion on draft laws that are referred to it;

3- Expressing a legal opinion on the issues referred to it;

4- Preparing draft contracts, agreements, and Memoranda of Understanding related to the Ministry's competencies, in coordination with the concerned departments;

5- Investigating facts and violations attributed to Ministry employees, preparing the necessary notes of the investigation results, including the legal opinion and recommendations; it shall also present the aforementioned legal opinion and recommendations to the competent

authority, and following up on the implementation of decisions taken in this regard; and

6- Following up on disputes and issues in which the Ministry is a party, in coordination with the competent authorities.

### **Article (5)**

**The Public Relations and Communications Department is responsible for the following:**

1- Issuing brochures and information programs aimed at introducing the Ministry's role, activities, and competencies, in coordination with the concerned departments;

2- Following up on publications concerning the Ministry in newspapers and the media, presenting them to the officials, and drafting a reply to them;

3- Receiving requests and complaints and referring them to the concerned departments, in addition to responding to inquiries;

4- Making travel, hosting, and accommodation arrangements for the Ministry's guests, as well as for visiting and departing delegations, in coordination with the concerned departments;

5- Organizing cultural, social, and sports activities for Ministry employees, and supervising the celebrations held by the Ministry or in which it participates; and

6- Organizing the conferences, seminars, and exhibitions held by the Ministry, and preparing the necessary budget thereof, in coordination with the concerned departments.

### **Article (6)**

**The International Cooperation Department is responsible for the following:**

1- Preparing working papers of local, regional, and international conferences, seminars, and meetings, concerning the Ministry's activities, in coordination with the concerned departments and competent authorities;

2- Preparing to attend conferences, meetings, joint work committees, technical committees, and the like, held by regional and international organizations and bodies concerned with commerce and industry issues, in which the State is a member;

3- Preparing reports and responses requested by regional and international organizations and bodies on the Ministry's activities, in coordination with the competent departments;

4- Studying and following up the implementation of recommendations by regional and international organizations and bodies regarding the Ministry's

activities, in coordination with the competent authorities in the country;

5- Studying and following up on the implementation of the commitments, decisions, and recommendations of the World Trade Organization (WTO), and preparing the necessary reports on its activities, in coordination with the relevant authorities in the country, in addition to following up on these bodies' implementation of the commitments, decisions, and recommendations made by the WTO, in accordance with the obligations contained in the State offer items;

6- Preparing the necessary reports on the contributions of regional and international organizations and bodies in developing and supporting the various activities in the Ministry's scopes of work, in coordination with the competent authorities;

7- Following up on settling the State's financial contributions to the organizations concerned with the Ministry's work scopes, of which the State is a member, in coordination with the competent authorities;

8- Studying ways to dynamize the State's role in the field of commerce and industry in cooperation with regional and international organizations and bodies;

9- Collecting information and research issued by local, regional, and international organizations and bodies concerned with commerce and industry, and circulating them to make use of them;

10- Studying and analyzing draft commercial and industrial agreements, in coordination with the concerned departments;

11- Participating in preparing draft commercial and industrial agreements relevant to the Ministry's competencies, in coordination with the concerned departments and competent authorities;

12- Coordinating with the concerned departments regarding the implementation of the approved economic policies through negotiation, and conclusion of economic, commercial, and industrial agreements related to the Ministry's work, as well as attending the meetings and committees convened to this end;

13- Preparing the studies needed in the work of the State's negotiating team, and preparing the necessary studies to inform the State's position on commercial and industrial negotiations, in coordination with the concerned departments; and

14- Translating foreign documents, books, scientific research, and correspondences related to the Ministry's competencies.

## **Article (7)**

**The Human Resources Department is responsible for the following:**

- 1- Implementing laws and regulations related to personnel affairs;
- 2- Determining the Ministry's staff requirements, in coordination with the various departments;
- 3- Drafting job descriptions, classifications, and ranking, and following up on their implementation and development;
- 4- Drafting a budget for the first item, in coordination with the concerned departments;
- 5- Conducting employee performance appraisals;
- 6- Carrying out appointment, transfer, delegation, and secondment procedures;
- 7- Looking into employees' leave entitlement in accordance with the law;
- 8- Conducting studies on the Ministry's functional structure, and submitting the necessary proposals to develop its administrative organization;
- 9- Defining the Ministry employees' training needs in coordination with the various departments, as well as following up on their implementation, and assessing the extent to which they benefited; and

10- Establishing and updating the Ministry's HR databases.

### **Article (8)**

**The Financial and Administrative Affairs Department is responsible for the following:**

- 1- Implementing financial and administrative laws, regulations, and policies related to the Ministry's work;
- 2- Drafting the Ministry's annual budgets and final accounts, in coordination with the concerned departments;
- 3- Providing the needs of the Ministry and its various departments in terms of supplies and equipment necessary to perform duties, in coordination with the concerned departments;
- 4- Conducting procurement, tender, and auction procedures, in accordance with the laws and rules in force in Qatar;
- 5- Supervising the execution of appropriations, as well as auditing revenue and expense accounts;
- 6- Receiving, classifying, and documenting incoming and outgoing mail;
- 7- Organizing the Ministry's archive and maintaining documents using the latest means;
- 8- Preparing documents of disbursement and all other financial transactions;

9- Taking the necessary measures to allocate government residence and disbursing furniture allowances to Ministry employees, in coordination with the competent authorities;

10- Collecting fees and charges for services rendered by the Ministry;

11- Performing all administrative services; and

12- Supervising the Ministry's warehouses.

### **Article (9)**

**The Information Technology Department is responsible for the following:**

1- Devising and following up on the implementation of plans and policies for using computers in Ministry functions;

2- Programming, preserving, retrieving, and developing information and data systems necessary for Ministry functions;

3- Providing and maintaining the hardware, software, and electronic networks necessary for automated work systems at the Ministry's, in coordination with the concerned departments;

4- Designing, operating, and managing various types of information and databases;

5- Providing the necessary technical support to electronic network users at the Ministry, and training them in the use of systems, programs, computers and their accessories; and

6- Establishing, following up on, and updating the Ministry's website.

### **Article (10)**

**The Commercial Registration and Licenses Department is responsible for the following:**

1- Implementing laws and regulations governing commercial affairs, especially the commercial registry, trade agents' registry, as well as laws and regulations on conducting business, companies and the Unified Economic Registry;

2- Supervising the regulation and control of markets within the Ministry's competence, in coordination with the competent authorities;

3- Enrolling parties in the Commercial Registry and the Trade Agents Registry, and monitoring of their activities;

4- Reviewing commercial license applications, and expressing an opinion on them;

5- Registering of economic, vocational, and craft activities;

6- Issuing commercial licenses related to conducting business;

7- Ratifying Qatari, GCC, Arab and international certificates of origin;

8- Reviewing trade agency contracts, and ensuring they fulfill the required conditions; and

9- Following up and implementing controls and conditions pertaining to the principle of reciprocity for countries that export commodities and goods, and that have local agents in Qatar.

### **Article (11)**

**The Companies Affairs Department is responsible for the following:**

1- Implementing laws and regulations governing the establishment and control of commercial companies;

2- Implementing the legislation regulating business advisory services within the Ministry's competencies;

3- Supervising the establishment of commercial companies;

4- Conducting control of commercial companies and monitoring their implementation of commercial legislations;

5- Following up on the implementation of legislation related to combating money laundering and terrorism financing, within the scope of the Ministry's competence, and after coordinating with the competent authorities in Qatar;

6- Regulating the auditing profession in accordance with the pertaining laws and regulations; and

7- Preparing the records of chartered accountants, registering them in the relevant department, and supervising their work.

### **Article (12)**

**The Intellectual Property Rights Protection Department is responsible for the following:**

1- Educating and assisting authors and performers about optimal ways to exercise their financial and moral rights;

2- Settling disputes that arise between authors or performers, audio recording producers, and rights holders, as well as disputes pertaining to integrated circuit designs, patent rights, and others' rights, in accordance with the law, whenever the parties agree to this;

3- Looking into and following up on issues related to copyrights and related rights locally and internationally, and making suggestions or recommendations in this regard;

4- Processing and deciding on applications for depositing works, audio recordings, performances, and broadcast programs;

5- Combating all kinds of infringement of copyright and related rights, and trade secrets;

6- Processing applications for filing and registering patents and protecting integrated circuit designs, announcing them, and preparing the relevant records;

7- Receiving requests for documenting changes, disclaimers, and licenses related to patents, and the protection of integrated circuit designs; registering them if accepted, announcing them, and issuing the relevant certificates;

8- Documenting applications for registering trademarks, information, and trade names, industrial designs, and geographical indications;

9- Implementing legislation related to the protection of intellectual property rights and the protection of trade secrets, as well as the provisions of the relevant international agreements to which the State has acceded; and

10- Expressing opinions on issues related to draft laws and international agreements on intellectual property rights, and the protection of trade secrets.

## **Article (13)**

### **The Business Development and Investment Promotion Department is responsible for the following:**

1- Proposing policies and programs, and conducting studies necessary to develop and grow the business sector, encourage local investment, and attract foreign investment;

2- Identifying and promoting investment opportunities, in coordination with the competent authorities in Qatar;

3- Proposing means to support and stimulate internal trade, and foreign trade relations, in coordination with the concerned departments;

4- Proposing policies, strategies, plans, and programs for export and trade development, as well as following up on their implementation;

5- Proposing modern mechanisms to develop institutional procedures of the business and investment sector, as well as publicizing and activating the Single Window platform to facilitate business and investment procedures;

6- Participating in preparing and developing a database of public services provided to the business and investment sector;

7- Implementing laws and regulations governing the investment of non-Qatari capital in economic activity, and preparing guidelines related to the business and

investment fields, in coordination with the concerned authorities in Qatar;

8- Providing a database, information, and support services for export operations, in addition to conducting external market surveys to gain access to them, and promote national goods and services therein; and

9- Coordinating and cooperating with international institutions concerned with export development.

#### **Article (14)**

**The Public-Private Partnership Department is responsible for the following:**

1- Proposing the necessary policies and standards to achieve public-private partnership in the areas of business and investment, in coordination with the competent authorities;

2- Following up on the implementation of public-private partnership projects, taking into account the requirements of sustainable development, in coordination with all concerned authorities;

3- Studying and analyzing public-private partnership experiences and distinct patterns of partnership at the regional and international levels, as well as suggesting ways to benefit from them;

4- Preparing forms of contracts and agreements related to public-private partnership systems, as per local and international standards, in coordination with the concerned departments;

5- Preparing periodic follow-up reports on the partnership, including a study of the pertaining problems and obstacles, and proposing appropriate solutions to them;

6- Proposing means to support and stimulate public-private partnership across sectors and projects, and to following up on their implementation upon approval;

7- Providing the private sector with administrative and technical support, so it participates in establishing, operating, managing, and financing partnership projects;

8- Building and updating information and a database for partnership projects, in cooperation with the competent authorities, including projects that entail activities the private sector can participate in establishing, operating, managing, or financing;

9- Coordinating and cooperating with the Qatar Chamber of Commerce and Industry to all segments of the public-private partnership; and

10- Implementing legislation pertaining to a public-private partnership.

## **Article (15)**

### **The National Product Competitiveness Support Department is responsible for the following:**

- 1- Implementing legislation related to supporting the competitiveness of national products, and combating practices that harm them in international trade, in coordination with the competent authorities in Qatar;
- 2- Providing data and information on supporting the competitiveness of national products, and combating practices that harm them in international trade, in coordination with the competent authorities in Qatar;
- 3- Conducting the necessary studies to enhance the competitiveness of Qatari products in foreign markets, and making recommendations in this regard;
- 4- Coordinating with international organizations and concerned authorities in other countries with regard to combating practices that harm national products in international trade;
- 5- Conducting research and studies on practices that harm national products, and making proposals regarding them; and
- 6- Coordinating with Arab, regional, and international organizations, as well as the competent authorities in Qatar to take the necessary measures against practices harmful to national products.

## **Article (16)**

**The Industrial Development Department is responsible for the following:**

1- Devising the industrial development strategy and industrial plans, and following up on their implementation;

2- Conducting studies on the locations, sizes, types, and specifications of mineral resources, and identifying opportunities to invest them;

3- Looking into new industrial investment opportunities, preparing initial investment feasibility studies for promising opportunities, and promoting them at home and abroad, in coordination with the competent authorities in Qatar;

4- Preparing studies and reports on the reality of industry and industrial development in Qatar, and on industry development means, as well as presenting proposals and solutions of industrial activity obstacles across various sectors, in cooperation with the competent authorities in Qatar;

5- Devising studies, plans, and programs for the integrated data and information system network related to industrial activities in Qatar, in coordination with the concerned departments;

6- Cooperating with Gulf, Arab, and international specialized agencies and organizations, as well as with

consulting organizations, bodies, institutions, and companies specialized in conducting studies, research, marketing, and industrial planning, at home and abroad, and strengthening ties with them;

7- Providing investors in the field of industry, industrial project owners, and researchers with feasible technical recommendations, studies, and research available at the department;

8- Putting in place the general requirements that industrial projects must adhere to;

9- Receiving industrial project licensing applications and documenting, reviewing, and expressing opinions about them, as well as issuing initial approvals;

10- Recommending issuing, suspending, or revoking industrial project licenses;

11- Conducting registration in the Industrial Registry, renewing it, and amending it, as well as issuing industrial registration certificates, and following up on the registered industrial establishments' information;

12- Supervising industrial projects in all establishment stages, and following up on the owners' commitment to correctly using advantages and exemptions;

13- Inspecting industrial establishments, to ensure their compliance with the provisions of industrial legislation and regulations;

14- Recommending granting, canceling, and revoking benefits and exemptions given to licensed industrial projects, in accordance with the legislation in force;

15- Using the International Standard Industrial Classification for industrial establishments and their required subsidiaries, and determining the classification number for each industrial establishment;

16- Coordination with the Gulf Information Centers, with regard to the Gulf Industrial Information Databases;

17- Coordination with international organizations, including the GCC Technical Secretariat for Anti-dumping, as well as the competent authorities in Qatar to take the necessary measures to curb harmful practices against Gulf industries; and

18- Working on implementing international agreements related to the department's competencies, in coordination with the competent authorities.

### **Article (17)**

**The Industrial Zones Department is responsible for the following:**

1- Implementing industrial zone legislations in Qatar;

2- Devising a strategy for defining and developing industrial zones, and following up on its implementation;

3- Conducting the necessary studies and surveys to select the sites of the new industrial zones, propose their areas and borders, as well as what is necessary for their development, in coordination with the competent authorities in Qatar;

4- Proposing plans to establish industrial zones for small and medium industries, supervising these zones, dividing, and distributing them, as well as specifying fees and conditions for their allocation;

5- Planning, developing, and using industrial zones affiliated to the Ministry, as well as reorganizing and rehabilitating existing industrial zones transferred to it;

6- Following up on the implementation stages of industrial zones affiliated with the Ministry and their facilities, as well as providing them with services, in coordination with government agencies;

7- Promoting industrial zones affiliated with the Ministry, and attracting industrial investments to them, in coordination with the relevant authorities;

8- Allocating plots for industrial projects in the industrial zones affiliated with the Ministry, after ensuring they meet the necessary conditions;

9- Preparing the systems, regulations, and contracts necessary for allocating industrial plots, in coordination with the concerned departments and the competent authorities;

10- Managing the plots in the industrial zones affiliated with the Ministry, supervising them, and monitoring the licensees' compliance with the allocation terms; and

11- Cooperating and coordinating with government agencies to provide the necessary services for industrial projects in industrial zones affiliated with the Ministry.

### **Article (18)**

**The Consumer Protection and Combating Commercial Fraud Department is responsible for the following:**

1- Implementing legislation governing the protection of consumer rights and combating commercial fraud;

2- Taking the necessary consumer protection measures, in accordance with the applicable laws and regulations;

3- Taking the necessary measures to combat commercial fraud, in accordance with applicable laws and regulations;

4- Coordinating and cooperating with consumer protection associations, as well as civil society organizations and institutions working in the field of consumer protection and awareness;

5- Coordinating with competent authorities regarding procedures to examine the extent of market goods and commodities' conformity with the standard specifications, so as to protect the vital consumer needs, and protect consumers from commercial fraud;

6- Inspecting factories, outlets, stores, and other places designated for making, selling, or storing food and household products, to ensure they are valid, and not adulterated nor spoiled, as well as checking the extent to which they comply with the standard specifications in place, in addition to seizing violators and taking the necessary measures in their regard;

7- Receiving complaints from consumers, looking into them, and following up on taking appropriate measures regarding them;

8- Spreading consumer awareness among community members; and

9- Preparing and printing consumer protection brochures and leaflets, in coordination with the Public Relations and Communications Department.

### **Article (19)**

**The Supply and Strategic Inventory Department is responsible for the following:**

1- Developing plans to ensure food and fodder supplies are available, as well as maintaining a strategic stock of both;

2- Preparing tenders and following up on practices to ensure the availability of food and fodder supplies;

3- Preparing and documenting records of supplying contracted supplies;

4- Following up on providing the required food and fodder supplies;

5- Receiving the samples submitted by the bidders in tenders, and sending them for laboratory analysis to ensure that they comply with the conditions and specifications;

6- Opening documentary credits to suppliers, in coordination with the concerned departments at the Ministry and the competent banks;

7- Handling the provision and purchase of aid and relief materials provided by the State to sibling and friendly countries, in accordance with the instructions issued in this regard, as well as following up on receiving and storing these materials and sending them to the competent authorities, in coordination with the competent authorities in Qatar;

8- Receiving incoming shipments of food and fodder supplies, taking random samples thereof, and sending them to the concerned departments to ensure they comply with the required conditions and specifications;

9- Storing food and fodder supplies as well as aid and relief materials using common storage methods;

10- Keeping a record for each item, which includes incoming, outgoing, and remaining amounts;

11- Issuing licenses for operating and managing State-supported bakeries, and monitoring the mechanism of granting flour distribution permissions;

12- Disbursing the required quantities of food and fodder supplies to distribution centers, government agencies, and citizens, according to delivery permissions issued by the concerned departments;

13- Issuing delivery permits according to which food and fodder supplies are disbursed from the warehouse, as per the amounts available in the warehouse of each type;

14- Issuing sales permits to citizens;

15- Monitoring the compliance of subsidized commodity retailers with their obligations, and taking the necessary legal actions and measures;

16- Presenting suggestions to develop legislative tools so as to support ensure food security, in coordination with the competent authorities in Qatar;

17- Implementing legislation related to organizing and managing strategic stocks of food and strategic commodities;

18- Providing special recommendations to face unexpected market fluctuations, such as a sudden drop in local and global production, natural disasters, and geopolitical changes;

19- Coordination with the competent authorities in Qatar in terms of securing the necessary needs of food and strategic commodities;

20- Establishing an electronic system for strategic inventory management and ensuring permanent maintenance of safety stocks; and

21- Securing and using strategic stocks of strategic and food commodities with high efficiency when needed.

### **Article (20)**

**The Quality License and Market Control Department is responsible for the following:**

1- Implementing regulations governing market control;

2- Inspecting factories, warehouses, and retail outlets, as well as verifying records to ensure legal compliance;

3- Issuing discount licenses, monitoring retail outlets that conduct general price cuts, and examining their documents and invoices, to prevent any deception;

4- Issuing the necessary licenses to promote goods and services;

5- Supervising prize draws and gift distributions;

6- Issuing the necessary licenses for brokerage businesses, and monitoring the work of those in charge;

7- Supervising auctions;

8- Receiving complaints from consumers pertaining to the Department's competence, looking into them, and following up on taking appropriate measures regarding them;

9- Studying and evaluating the prices of goods and services traded in the market;

10- Looking into requests to increase the prices of goods and services provided by suppliers; and

11- Conducting studies on the prices of goods, materials, and services, aimed at analyzing the causes of their increase, and proposing means to correct them and mechanisms to prevent unjustified price hikes, in addition to submitting the necessary reports in this regard.

### **Article (21)**

**The Competition Protection Department is responsible for the following:**

1- Implementing laws and regulations to protect competition and prevent monopolistic practices;

2- Providing data and information on economic and commercial activity;

3- Spreading a culture of competition, and coordinating with the concerned authorities in other countries with regard to protecting competition and preventing monopolistic practices;

- 4- Supervising looking into notifications related to transfer of property rights, asset ownership, federation establishment, and mergers, as well as evaluating their effects on competition and proposing procedures thereof;
- 5- Investigating all anti-competitive practices, affirming such practices are being conducted, and presenting proposals to address them; and
- 6- Preparing studies on the country's markets functioning and economic sectors, as well as submitting proposals to enhance competition and limit monopolistic practices, in coordination with the concerned authorities.

### **Article (22)**

The competencies of the Minister Office, the Deputy Office, and the Assistant Deputy Office shall be determined as per a decision by the Minister.

### **Article (23)**

Pursuant to a decision of the Council of Ministers, upon a proposal by the Minister, the organization of the Ministry departments may be amended, by adding, dismantling, or merging departments, in addition to specifying and modifying their competencies.

### **Article (24)**

Pursuant to a decision by the Minister, units of Ministry departments may be established, dismantled, or merged, and their competencies may be set and modified, knowing that the Minister's decision shall not be effective until approved by the Council of Ministers.

### **Article (25)**

The aforementioned Amiri Resolution No. (20) of 2014 shall be canceled.

### **Article (26)**

All competent authorities, each within their field of competence, shall implement this decision. It shall be effective as of the date of its issuance, and it shall be published in the Official Gazette.

**Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani**

**Amir of the State of Qatar**

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