Republic of Lebanon

Presidency of the Council of Ministers

Decision 156/2011

Setting-up of a Ministerial Commission against Corruption

The President of the Council of Ministers,

Considering Decree n° 5817 dated 13/06/2011 (appointing M. Nejib Mikati, President of the Council of Ministers) ;

Considering correspondence n° 446/S/2011 dated 15/12/2011, issued by Minister of State in charge of administrative reform;

Considering the requirements of public interest;

DECIDES

Art. 1 : to set up a Ministerial Commission against Corruption, chaired by the President of the Council of Ministers and, in his absence, by the Minister of State in charge of administrative reform, and made up of the following members:

- Minister of finance
- Minister of justice
- Minister of interior and municipalities

Art. 2 : The Commission shall be assigned the following tasks:

- Oversee the development of a national anti-corruption strategy and a workplan therefor as well as the development of Government policies and aims for the implementation of the strategy.
- Monitor Lebanon's enforcement of its obligations emanating from the United Nations Convention against Corruption, including participation to the Conference of the Parties of said Convention and to its open-ended working groups as well as to the activities of the Convention's implementation Review Mechanism.

- Strengthen Lebanon's participation in the Arab Anti-Corruption and Integrity Network (ACINET) and coordinate official participation to its activities.
- Coordinate with donors as well as with regional and international organizations that provide support to Lebanon's efforts to fight corruption to ensure and effective cooperation.
- Follow up legislative action in all matters relating to corruption and effective enforcement through coordination with the Minister of State in charge of relations with Parliament.

Art. 3 : The Commission shall be convened by its chairperson at least once every three months, or as often as deemed necessary, to deal with the items on its agenda. The Commission may hear any person whose contribution may be deemed necessary for its work.

Art. 4 :The Commission shall be assisted in its work by a technical committee placed under its authority.

Art. 5 : The Office of the Minister of State in charge of administrative reform shall act as the secretariat of the Commission.

Art. 6 : Publicity of the present Decision may be made if deemed appropriate.

Beyrouth, December 27, 2011

Nejib MIKATI

President

Council of Ministers

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