Commentary of the Sultanate of Oman on the Application of Universal Jurisdiction

The Sultanate of Oman confirms that its application of the Principle of Universal Jurisdiction is based on the ratified international agreements and some provisions on several national laws. During the past years, Oman has acceded to numerous international conventions and also issued a number of laws during the period from 2015-2020, as follows:

The Conventions:

- Royal Decree No. (41/2016) ratifying the Convention on Combating Bribery of Foreign Public Officials in International Business Transactions (the OECD Anti-Bribery Convention).
- Royal Decree No. (35/2016) ratifying the Cooperation Agreement between the Government of the Sultanate of Oman and the Government of the State of Qatar in the Field of Security.
- Royal Decree No. (4/2017) ratifying the Cooperation Agreement between the Government of the Sultanate of Oman and the Government of the United Arab Emirates in the field of Civil Defense.
- Royal Decree No. (44/2020) ratifying the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance.
- Royal Decree No. (45/2020) ratifying the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment.
- Royal Decree No. (46/2020) ratifying the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights.
- The Statute of the Economic Judicial Authority of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf (the GCC).

The Laws:

- Royal Decree No. (30/2016) ratifying the Anti-Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing Law (AML).
- Royal Decree No. (7/2018) ratifying the Revised Omani Penal Code.
- Royal Decree No. (4/2020) ratifying the Internal Security Service Law.
- Royal Decree No. 125/2020 ratifying the Law on the Simplification of Litigation Procedures regarding Some Disputes.