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Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan Supreme Court General Directorate of Secretariate Editorial Department Correspondence Section

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To: The Directorates of Cassations, Divisions, Appellate, and Primary Courts of the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan!

Greetings:

On 27 February 2022, a meeting was held between His excellency the Supreme Leader of the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan and the Head of the Supreme Court and its members where the second discussion issue of the said meeting was on the establishment of the military courts, and the following decision has been made in this regard:

"One military court shall be established in each Army Corps, with a total of eight (8) military courts, and the relevant provinces for the military court are detailed below:

- 1- Kandahar, Zabul, Uruzgan, Helmand.
- 2- Ghazni, Bamyan, Maidan Wardak, Daikundi.
- 3- Paktia, Paktika, Khost, Logar.
- 4- Kabul, Parwan, Kapisa, Panjsher.
- 5- Nangarhar, Kunar, Laghman, Nuristan.
- 6- Balkh, Sar-e-Pul, Jawzjan, Faryab.
- 7- Kunduz, Samangan, Baghlan, Takhar, Badakhshan.
- 8- Herat, Farah, Nimruz, Badghis.

A military division should be established within the city court of Ghor province to resolve the military issues of that province.

The Military Court of Kandahar shall be used as the Military Court of Ghazni Province.

The Military Court of Kabul shall be used as the Military Court of Paktia Province.

The Military Court of Balkh shall be used as the Military Court of Kunduz Province.

The details of the issues related to the Military Courts are as follows:

If one of the employees of the three organs of the government (the Ministry of Defense, Ministry of Interior, and General Directorate of Intelligence) becomes a defendant in a case, his case shall be related to a military court.

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Other than the employees of the above-mentioned agencies, if a person from the government (Official staff) becomes a defendant in a case, his case shall be related to the Public Security Division.

As well as the third issue in the aforementioned meeting was about the Accountability Courts, and the following decision has been made in this regard:

The cases related to the Accountability Court shall be related to the Military Court, and there are two judges, two *Muftis*, two clerks, and a Head of the court in the structure of the Military Court.

The decisions made in the above-mentioned meetings on the second and third issues are hereby extended through this circular to all the directorates of the cassation courts, divisions, and primary and appellate courts to act accordingly when necessary.

Regards,

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