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

May peace, mercy, and blessings of Allah be upon you!

Then, the High Council of the Supreme Court held a meeting on 1444/1/5 AH (3 August 2022) under the chairmanship of His Excellency Sheikh Abdul Hakim Al-Haqqani, the Chief Justice with the participation of the High Council members, the heads of the Central Courts, and the heads of the Central Judicial Directorates of the Supreme Court. Based on decision No (3) dated 1444/1/5 AH (3 August 2022), the High Council decided to share some issues with the Supreme Leader of the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan. As per the above decision, the mentioned issues were shared with the Supreme Leader of the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan; its sixth subject matter was as follows:

((The previous administration had established centers by the name of women's shelters. Women running away from their homes due to family violence or other reasons were kept in these shelters. The case of these centers is not clear now. What actions should be taken in this regard?))

The Supreme Leader of the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan provided the following directions based on decision No (6):

((The issue of these women who are living in the women shelters should be referred to the Deputy Prime Minister of Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan, Mullah Abdul Ghani Brother in order to resolve it.))

Therefore, the decision of the Supreme Leader of the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan regarding the sixth subject matter of the above meeting was reported to the Directorates of Cassations, Divisions, Appellate, and Primary Courts of the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan through this circular.

Respectfully,

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