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To: All National and International NGOs

Subject: Cessation of Proposals and Suggestions for Unnecessary Projects (Public Awareness) by National and International Non-Emirate Organizations

It has come to our attention that several esteemed donors, both national and international NGOs, are keen on executing projects related to public awareness, advocacy, peacebuilding, dispute resolution, and other similar initiatives, often allocating substantial budgets for these purposes.

Given the state of complete peace in the country and the effective dissemination of comprehensive awareness on various issues through esteemed relevant departments, such as the Ministry of Hajj and Islamic Affairs (via propagation and enlightenment in pulpits and mosques) and tribal influencers, the need for implementing parallel projects (public awareness, conflict resolution, advocacy, and peacebuilding) is not recognized as a primary requirement by the respected domestic and foreign institutions.

Therefore, we expect all national and international NGOs to refrain from allocating budgets to such projects. Instead, efforts should be directed towards addressing the essential needs of the populace, including the provision of humanitarian services and infrastructural projects.

Please be advised that this matter is brought to the attention of all national and international NGOs, and henceforth, the Ministry of Economy will not register or process such projects in the online system at any stage. Should there be any violation and continuation of the aforementioned projects, the NGO in question will be referred to the High Commission of Evaluation for potential dissolution.

Regards,

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