



Statement of the National Institution for Human Rights on the occasion of the occasion of Human Rights Day

Manama on December 10, 2014

The World celebrates the Human Rights Day every year on December 10, the day in which the United Nations General Assembly adopted the Universal Declaration of Human Rights by resolution 217 A (D2) On December 10, 1948 as a common standard of achievement for all peoples and nations. The theme this year is about "Human Rights 365 days in the year" which means that every day is a day for human rights, considering that each one of us, at any time and everywhere, has the right to fully and equally enjoy his rights, where the same ideals and values bind us together as a global community.

On this occasion, the National Institution affirms its continuous pursuit for the promotion and protection of human rights in the Kingdom of Bahrain through its mandate in partnership with the United Nations human rights bodies in accordance with the Paris Principles to apply maximal supreme guarantees for human rights on the soil of the Kingdom of Bahrain. It emphasizes that combined efforts with relevant parties leads to achieve the aspired goal of promoting and protecting the rights of citizens and residents on the ground.

The National Institution also calls for concerting all official and private efforts to work together in order to promote the development and protection of human rights in the Kingdom, affirming it is moving forward towards more community partnership to promote human rights track and continue the achievements the most recent of which was the Chaillot Prize for the Promotion human Rights in



the GCC region of the Gulf for 2014, based on the nomination and support from the embassies of the European Union accredited to the Kingdom of Bahrain, in honor of the outstanding role and fruitful efforts of the National Institution in the quest for the promotion and protection of human rights in the Kingdom of Bahrain. In addition to praising the contents of the National Institution for Human Rights annual report recently released on the human rights situation in the Kingdom and the clear message to curb human rights violations as well as the appropriate recommendations directed to the constitutional institutions in the Kingdom.

The National Institution for Human Rights stresses the need for the international community to address the issue of human rights on the basis of objectivity, credibility and the inability of portioning of these rights, this includes all States without discrimination, selectivity, politicization or distortion of human rights issues.

On the other hand, the National Institution congratulates all members of the United Nations, and commends the important and vital role played by institutions and organizations concerned with human rights to publish, raise awareness, educate, protect human rights at the international level and to bring all forms of abuse to an end.

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