

# **Royal Decree No 28 of 2011**

## **On cases relates to national safety**

We, Hamad Bin Isa Al Khalifa, King of the Kingdom of Bahrain,

- having reviewed the Constitution,
- and law of the Court of Cassation No. 8 of 1989, amended by law No. 9 of 2009
- and law of criminal procedures issued by law No. 46 of 2002, amended by law No. 41 of 2005
- and Royal Decree No. 18 of 2011 with respect to declaring the State of National Safety
- and Royal Decree No. 39 of 2011 with respect to lifting the State of National Safety
- On Royal Decree No. 48 of 2011 with respect to final death penalties ruled by National Safety Courts
- And on Royal Decree No. 62 of 2011 with respect to referring the cases that have not been adjudicated yet by the National Safety Courts to the ordinary courts
- And with the approval of the Council of Minister
- Hereby decree the following law:

### **Article 1**

Ordinary courts shall handle the cases involving misdemeanors that the National Safety Courts had not yet adjudicated.

## **Article 2**

The National Safety Court of First Instance shall rule in all criminal cases that have been referred to it in accordance with Law No. 18 of 2011 with respect to declaring the State of National Safety, in which proceedings had already begun. The Public Prosecution and the convicted persons have the right to appeal judgments of the National Safety Court to the Court of Cassation.

The National Safety Court of Appeal shall rule in the appeal of criminal cases that were ruled by the National Safety Court of First Instance which started the appeal before the date of issuing this law.

## **Article 3**

The Public Prosecution and the convicted person have the right to appeal all cases adjudicated by the National Safety Court of Appeal, according to the procedures before the Court of Cassation. Submitting the appeal is valid as of the date of activating this law.

In the case of appealing the adjudication, the Court of Cassation shall be committed to refer the criminal cases to the Supreme Criminal Court of Appeal, and to refer the felonies to the High Criminal Court.

## **Article 4**

Each judgment contradicts with the articles of this law will be canceled.

## **Article 5**

The Prime Minister, General Commander of Bahrain Defense Force, Commander of National Guard, and the minister shall

implement this law. This law shall come into operation on the second day of publishing it in the Official Gazette.

**Sign**

**Hamad Bin Isa Al Khalifa  
King of the Kingdom of Bahrain**

**Khalifa Bin Salman Al Khalifa  
Prime Minister**

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