



National Institution's statement on Decree No. 70 of 2014 on amending some provisions approving accession to CEDAW.

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The National Institution welcomes the exact, thorough precision of the reservations by the Kingdom of Bahrain on the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) contained in Legislative Decree No. (70) of 2014, compared with the previous version contained in Decree Law No. (5) of 2002, which was general and inclusive of all provisions of the relevant articles, and was construed as to prejudice the reputation of the Kingdom of Bahrain in international forums.

The National Institution appreciates the precise identification of the topics of reservations made by the Kingdom concerning specific provisions, especially those contained in the provisions of Decree-Law No. especially (70) of 2014 amending some provisions of Decree Law No. 5 of 2002 to approve the accession to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against women (CEDAW).

On this occasion, the National Institution announces its full support for all efforts to promote Bahraini women's status, respect and enjoyment of all the advantages of civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights that do not contradict with Islamic Sharia' and the essence of true religion, traditions and customs.

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