

**Royal Decree 106/2020**  
**Establishing the Environment Authority, Determining Its Competences, and Adopting Its**  
**Organisational Structure**

We, Haitham bin Tarik, the Sultan of Oman

after perusal of the Basic Statute of the State,

Royal Decree 90/2007 Establishing the Ministry of Environment and Climate Affairs,

Royal Decree 18/2008 Determining the Competences of the Ministry of Environment and Climate Affairs and Adopting Its Organisational Structure,

and the System of the Administrative Apparatus of the State promulgated by Royal Decree 75/2020,

and in pursuance of public interest,

**have decreed as follows**

**Article I**

A public authority named the "Environment Authority " is hereby established. It shall have legal personality, shall enjoy financial and administrative independence, and shall be subordinate to the Council of Ministers.

**Article II**

The headquarters of the Environment Authority shall be in the Governorate of Muscat, and branches of it may be established in the other governorates by a decision of the board of directors.

**Article III**

The competences of the Environment Authority are hereby determined in accordance with the attached Annex 1.

**Article IV**

The organisational structure of the Environment Authority is hereby adopted in accordance with the attached Annex 2.

**Article V**

Without prejudice to the provisions of Royal Decree 85/2020 Regarding the Public Authority for Civil Aviation, all allocations, assets, rights, obligations, and holdings of the Ministry of

Environment and Climate Affairs relating to the environment are hereby transferred to the Environment Authority.

#### **Article VI**

The employees of the Ministry of Environment and Climate Affairs, with the exception of employees concerned with climate affairs, are hereby transferred to the Environment Authority with their same financial grades, in accordance with the rules determined by the Council of Ministers.

#### **Article VII**

The phrase “Ministry of Environment and Climate Affairs” wherever it occurs in laws and royal decrees relating to the environment is hereby replaced with the phrase “Environment Authority.”

The phrase “Minister of Environment and Climate Affairs” wherever it occurs in laws and royal decrees relating to the environment is also hereby replaced with the phrases “Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Environment Authority” or “President of the Environment Authority” as the case may be.

#### **Article VIII**

The Ministry of Environment and Climate Affairs is hereby abolished, and all that is contrary to this decree, or in conflict with its provisions, is hereby repealed.

#### **Article IX**

This decree shall be published in the Official Gazette, and comes into force on the date of its issuance.

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**Corresponding to: 18 August 2020**

**Haitham bin Tarik  
Sultan of Oman**

*Note: This is a translated version of the royal decree. In case of discrepancy between the Arabic original and English translation, the Arabic text prevails.*

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