

**Royal Decree 92/2020**

**Amending the Name of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries to the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, and Water Resources, 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 62/80 Establishing the Public Authority for Stores and Food Reserve,

Royal Decree 55/2006 Determining the Competences of the Ministry of Regional Municipalities and Water Resources and Adopting Its Organisational Structure,

Royal Decree 68/2012 Determining the Competences of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries and Adopting Its Organisational Structure,

Royal Decree 3/2017 Promulgating the System of the Public Authority for Stores and Food Reserve,

Royal Decree 24/2019 Establishing the Food Safety and Quality Centre in the Ministry of Regional Municipalities and Water Resources,

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**

The name of the “Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries” is hereby amended to the “Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, and Water Resources” and its competences are hereby determined in accordance with the attached Annex 1.

**Article II**

The organisational structure of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, and Water Resources is hereby adopted in accordance with the attached Annex 2.

**Article III**

All allocations, assets, rights, obligations, and holdings of the Public Authority for Stores and Food Reserve, and the divisions relating to water resources and the Food Safety and Quality Centre in the Ministry of Regional Municipalities and Water Resources, are hereby transferred to the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, and Water Resources.

#### **Article IV**

The employees of the Public Authority for Stores and Food Reserve are hereby transferred to the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, and Water Resources with their same financial grades.

The employees of the Food Safety and Quality Centre, and the employees concerned with water resources in the Ministry of Regional Municipalities and Water Resources, are also hereby transferred to the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, and Water Resources with their same financial grades, in accordance with the rules specified by the Council of Ministers.

#### **Article V**

The phrases “Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries” and “Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries” wherever they occur in the laws and royal decrees are hereby replaced with the phrases “Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, and Water Resources” and “Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, and Water Resources.”

The phrases “Ministry of Regional Municipalities and Water Resources” and “Minister of Regional Municipalities and Water Resources” wherever they occur in laws and royal decrees relating to water resources and food safety are hereby replaced with the phrases “Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, and Water Resources” and “Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, and Water Resources.”

#### **Article VI**

The Public Authority for Stores and Food Reserve is hereby abolished, and all that is contrary to this decree or in conflict with its provisions is hereby repealed.

#### **Article VII**

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**

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