

Law by Decree No. 14 of 2019

Concerning the Repealing of the Law by Decree No. 9 of 2018 on the High Criminal Court

The President of the State of Palestine

The Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organisation

In reference of the Bylaw of the Palestine Liberation Organisation,

Having reviewed the provisions of the Amended Basic Law of 2003, as amended,

The provisions of the Law on the Judicial Authority No. 1 of 2002,

The provisions of the Law on the Formation of Regular Courts No. 5 of 2001, as amended,

The provisions of the Law of Penal Procedure No. 3 of 2001, as amended,

The provisions of the Penal Law No. 16 of 1960, as amended, in force in the Northern Governorates,

The provisions of the Penal Law No. 74 of 1936, as amended, in force in the Southern Governorates,

The provisions of the Law by Decree No. 18 of 2015 Concerning the Combating of Drugs and Psychotropic Substances, as amended,

The provisions of the Law by Decree No. 9 of 2018 Concerning the High Criminal Court,

Based upon the letter of the President of the High Court, Chairman of the High Judicial Council, dated May 12th, 2019,

The powers vested in me, and

In pursuance of the public interest,

I hereby promulgate the following Law by Decree:

Article 1

The Law by Decree No. 9 of 2018 Concerning the High Criminal Court shall be repealed.

Article 2

In accordance with the provisions of this Law by Decree:

1. The laws, procedures, and provisions which had been in effect prior to the enforcement of the Law by Decree No. 9 of 2018 Concerning the High Criminal Court shall be reinstated.
2. All the actions considered by the High Criminal Court shall be remitted to the criminal panels at the competent courts, each within the sphere of its jurisdiction, in accordance with the provisions of the laws in force.

3. The criminal panels at the competent courts shall continue to consider the actions remitted thereto under the provisions of this Law by Decree from the point they reached, or reconsider them by investigating the same, depending on the circumstances and merits of the action.

Article 3

All provisions that contradict the provisions of this Law by Decree shall be repealed.

Article 4

All the competent authorities, each one within its sphere of jurisdiction, shall implement the provisions of this Law by Decree, which shall enter into force as of date of its promulgation and shall be published in the Official Gazette.

Promulgated in the city of Ramallah on June 17th, 2019 *Anno Domini*,

Corresponding to Shawwal 13th, 1440 *Anno Hegira*.

Mahmoud Abbas

President of the State of Palestine

Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organisation