Syrian Arab Republic

Lawyers Union

No: 295 S. N.

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To: Esteemed Colleague President of the Bar Association chapter – All chapters –

Greetings in the name of Truth and Arabism,

Subsequent to our previous disseminations and to confirm them, especially dissemination No. 1805 dated: July 29th, 2009. We affirm the activation of the text of article 79 of law 39 of 1981 which states the following:

"Lawyers shall not nominate himself or accept any position or membership of an office or to continue this membership in any organization or association of lawyers and jurists who are Arab or international, except after obtaining a written approval from the union issued by a decision of its board."

And consequently, we emphasize the need to provide a formal, written request before a period of no less than a month, to be referred by the branch, to which the lawyer belongs, to the central union for submission to the Board in order to take the appropriate decision, even for participating in forums and conferences, be it internal, external or otherwise, under penalty of disciplinary accountability.

Damascus, 2nd of February, 2010

Please accept abundant greetings.

President of the Bar

Syrian Arab Republic

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