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**Annex to the note verbal no. ( 30183 ) dated /4/2021 concerning GA Resolution 75/142**

*Translated from Arabic*

**Observations of the State of Qatar on General Assembly resolution 75/142, on the scope and application of the principle of universal jurisdiction**

The principle of universal jurisdiction is a basic mechanism for preventing and criminalizing grave violations of international humanitarian law. It means that national courts should exercise jurisdiction under international law over grave crimes affecting the fundamental interests of society.

The advantage of adopting the principle is that State that do so are welcomed and commended by the victims of such crimes, by international human rights organizations, and by the international community. Such a position is deemed to be a positive step towards the practical application of measures to uphold human rights.

Qatar has signed a number of international conventions in which the on11171 46/5 Tm(the )JT number