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Pursuant to Letter No. 495/14/8 from the Ministry of Health, dated 11 January 2009, and its annexes, on the health risks resulting from the use of electronic cigarettes, the manufacturing, marketing, sale, purchase and use of electronic cigarettes and other electronic tobacco products is hereby prohibited.

These products shall be confiscated and destroyed when found, and any violating facility shall be closed in accordance with the applicable laws and regulations.

Please review and instruct all competent authorities to take the duly required steps.

Minister of Local Administration

Dr. Eng. Tamer Al Hajeh

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[illegible] Dr. Bassam Abu Al-Dahab [signature]

[stamp: Ministry of Health – [illegible] – Incoming Correspondence – 2 November 2009 – No. 11332]

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- Ministry of Economy and Commerce: To take the necessary steps to prohibit the import and export of those products
- Ministry of Industry: To take the necessary steps to prohibit the manufacturing of those products
- General Directorate of Customs: Regarding prohibiting the clearing of those products
- The Ministries of Housing and Construction, Health, Industry, Social Affairs and Labor and the State Ministry for Environmental Affairs
- Central Authority for Monitoring and Inspection (2)
- All Provinces to duly circulate – Local Committee of Al-Yarmouk Camp
- Members of the Committee of Regulatory Decree No. 2680 of 1977, Bassam Abu Al-Dahab c/o Ministry of Health, Eng. Lina Mohanna c/o Ministry of Housing and Construction, Dr. Akram Reesha c/o Ministry of Social Affairs and Labor, Eng. Safaa Bakdash c/o Ministry of Industry, Eng. Bashar Al-Nabki c/o State Ministry for Environmental Affairs
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