Permanent Mission of Lebanon to the United Nations

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The Permanent Mission of Lebanon to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Codification Division of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs and, with reference to the latter's note #LA/COD/59 dated January 8, 2010, has the honor to transmit herewith the reply from the Lebanese Ministry of Justice on the subject of the scope and application of the principle of universal jurisdiction:

"The Republic of Lebanon is not bound by any treaty or international convention related to the principle of universal jurisdiction. Moreover, domestic legal rules and judicial practices in Lebanon do not adopt this principle."

The Permanent Mission of Lebanon to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Codification Division of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs the assurances of its highest consideration.

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