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Dear Mr. Al Serkal,

Subject: Clarification regarding Al Qabas News on their Issue today-22 July 2014

With reference to the article published in Al Qabas Newspaper today regarding the verdict announced by Bahrain Chamber for Disputes Resolution (“BCDR”) against its former chairman, Mr. Essam Janahi (“Mr. Janahi”) and the bank to the Benefit of Tanmiyat, GFH would like to clarify the following to its shareholders:

1. The verdict announced by the BCDR against Mr. Janahi and the bank has not been executed.
2. The BCRD has ordered to freeze the amount under the verdict above in favor of GFH in addition to freezing all accounts of Tanmiyat and Mr. Janahi for a total amount of USD 78mn.
3. The Freeze order issued in favor of GFH was based on a case filed by GFH against Tanmiyat and Mr. Janahi in relation to embezzlement executed by both parties and misleading information provided earlier by Tanmiyat to the BCDR.
4. In addition to the case filed in BCDR, GFH is proceeding with the required procedures in the Cassation Court, which is expected to be in the bank’s favor.
5. GFH would like to comfort its shareholders that the claims raised by GFH are expected to result in a positive outcome once amounts claimed are recovered.
6. Due to confidentiality and legal implication of such cases, GFH is bound not to disclose details of any legal cases filed or appealed until such execution is enforced with substantial financial impact.

Yours Sincerely,

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