HABIB AL MULLA AND PARTNERS AND GLA & COMPANY UNITE EXPERTISE

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Habib Al Mulla and Partners and GLA & Company have announced the formation of a strategic association between the two firms. This will enable the two firms to extend their respective geographical footprints and service offerings in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region.

The association between GLA & Company and Habib Al Mulla and Partners will provide clients with the highest quality of legal advice and representation, while also allowing both firms to expand their reach and capabilities in the Middle East. The two firms are confident that, together, they can meet the needs of clients in the region and beyond.

Habib Al Mulla (pictured right), Founder of Habib Al Mulla & Partners, said, "the signing of this MoU is an important step for us. It will enable us to cover a wide region extending from Kuwait to Egypt. It will also enable both firms to provide comprehensive legal services to our clients throughout the region. It resembles out commitment to provide high-level legal services to our clients and it shows that we are determined to be the leading law firm in the region".

Practising out of Dubai and Abu Dhabi, Habib Al Mulla and Partners' 30-plus team is made up of multi-disciplinary lawyers focused on providing legal services to companies and individuals conducting business in the United Arab Emirates.

Headed up by **Nader Al Awadhi** (pictured left), Senior Partner, and **Alex Saleh** (pictured center), Managing Partner, GLA & Company is a regional MENA based law firm with offices in Dubai, Abu Dhabi, Riyadh, Kuwait, Cairo and Beirut. The firm has over 50 lawyers and is structured to serve as full-service outside counsel to multi-national companies seeking to do business in the Middle East. "We are confident that this association will be a great success and will bring immense value to our clients." **Nader Al Awadhi, Senior Partner of GLA & Company**, also commented on the association: "Our association with Habib Al Mulla & Partners is an important milestone for us and we are confident that it will further enhance our expertise in the region and provide our clients with the best legal services."

Alex Saleh, Managing Partner of GLA & Company, added: "This is the first step of many that will further strengthen our presence in the MENA region, and we are confident that our association with Habib Al Mulla & Partners will further help us to achieve our goals."

The purpose of the association between the two respective law firms makes the group one of the most prominent regional players in the MENA market. Leveraging Habib's litigation practice in the UAE, along with the corporate and commercial reach of GLA in all the main jurisdictions in the MENA, will allow their clients to benefit from a unified service offering with consistent quality and pricing.

The Association between Habib Al Mulla & Partners and GLA & Company is effective immediately.