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**Corrigendum**

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Insert the following paragraph (24 bis) after paragraph 24:

24 bis. On Tuesday, 11 December 2001, with a view to strengthening the independence of the CCDH and widening its remit, *dahir* No. 1.01.298 was given its official reading. The *dahir* establishes an institution called “Diwan Al Madhalim”, whose general policy directions have been fleshed out in the King’s message. This represents a turning point in Moroccan positive law because it re-establishes in strengthened form an old institution of Muslim public law which is widely practised in Morocco but now proves to follow the model of the advanced democracies in aiming to protect citizens by redressing wrongs and injustices suffered at the hands of the administration. This institution is responsible for promoting mediation between citizens and groups of citizens, on the one hand, and administrations or any public authority, on the other, urging the latter to observe the rule of law and the principle of fairness.

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