Resolution No. (3) of 2026
Forming the
Committee for Considering Applications for the
Conditional Release of Juvenile Delinquents in the Emirate of Dubai[1]

We, Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Ruler of Dubai,

After perusal of:

Federal Law No. (6) of 2022 Concerning Juvenile Delinquents and Juveniles at Risk of Delinquency, and its Implementing Bylaw;

Law No. (8) of 2015 Concerning the Community Development Authority in Dubai; and

Law No. (13) of 2016 Concerning the Judicial Authorities in the Emirate of Dubai and its amendments,

Do hereby issue this Resolution.

Definitions
Article (1)

The following words and expressions, wherever mentioned in this Resolution, have the meanings respectively assigned to them, unless the context otherwise implies:

Emirate:	The Emirate of Dubai.
Federal Law:	Federal Law No. (6) of 2022 Concerning Juvenile Delinquents and Juveniles at Risk of Delinquency, and its Implementing Bylaw.
Public Prosecution:	The Public Prosecution of the Emirate.
Attorney General:	The Attorney General of the Emirate.
CDA:	The Community Development Authority in Dubai.

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[1] *Every effort has been made to produce an accurate and complete English version of this legislation. However, for the purpose of its interpretation and application, reference must be made to the original Arabic text. In case of conflict, the Arabic text will prevail.*

Juvenile Delinquent:	A juvenile on whom a custodial sentence has been imposed pursuant to the Federal Law.
Centre:	The SOUN Centre for Care and Rehabilitation, affiliated with the CDA, which is responsible for the care and rehabilitation of Juvenile Delinquents who have been sentenced to placement therein pursuant to a court judgment.
Child Rehabilitation Specialist:	An employee of the Centre responsible for safeguarding the rights and ensuring the protection of Juvenile Delinquents, within the scope of the functions assigned to him under the legislation in force in the Emirate.
Committee:	The Committee for Considering Applications for the Conditional Release of Juvenile Delinquents in the Emirate of Dubai formed pursuant to this Resolution.

Formation of the Committee
Article (2)

a. Pursuant to this Resolution, a permanent committee named the "Committee for Considering Applications for the Conditional Release of Juvenile Delinquents in the Emirate of Dubai" is constituted under the chairmanship of a Member of the Public Prosecution holding a grade not lower than that of Advocate General, and with the membership of:

    1. two (2) representatives from the Dubai Police;

    2. two (2) representatives from the Public Prosecution;

    3. a representative from the Dubai Courts;

    4. a representative from the Knowledge and Human Development Authority in Dubai; and

    5. two (2) representatives from the CDA, one of whom must be a representative from the Centre.

b. At its first meeting, the Committee will elect a vice chairman, who will act as the chairman where the chairman is absent or where his post falls vacant.

c. The representatives of the Government entities referred to in paragraph (a) of this Article will be nominated by the officials in charge of these entities. These representatives must be experienced and specialised in the fields that are relevant to the work of the Committee.

d. A rapporteur will be appointed to the Committee by the Attorney General from amongst the employees of the Public Prosecution. The rapporteur will have no vote in the Committee's deliberations, decisions, or recommendations.

e. Where the position of any member of the Committee falls vacant for any reason whatsoever, a replacement member will be appointed in accordance with the procedures referred to in paragraph (c) of this Article.

f. The chairman, vice chairman, or any member of the Committee may not participate in the consideration of an application if the Juvenile Delinquent whose release is sought is his spouse or a relative up to the fourth degree.

Functions of the Committee
Article (3)

The Committee will have the duties and powers to:

1. consider applications for the [conditional] release of Juvenile Delinquents submitted jointly by the Juvenile Delinquents and their Guardians, or by their legal representatives;

2. review the reports submitted to it by the Centre regarding the [conditional] release of Juvenile Delinquents following approval thereof by the Attorney General, and make recommendations to approve or reject those reports as required in the public interest;

3. determine the mechanism by which the Child Rehabilitation Specialist will monitor the conduct of Juvenile Delinquents following [conditional] release, in the places regularly frequented by the Juvenile Delinquents or identified as having contributed to their delinquency or otherwise associated with their delinquent behaviour;

4. propose appropriate mechanisms for subjecting Juvenile Delinquents to follow-up or additional rehabilitation programmes deemed necessary to enhance their reintegration into society and achieve the rehabilitative purpose of the release;

5. seek assistance from experts and specialists as it deems appropriate to assist it in performing its duties, provided that they do not have a vote in its deliberations or on the adoption of its resolutions and recommendations;

6. form sub-committees and specialised work teams from among its members or representatives of the entities represented on it, and determine their duties and terms of reference;

7. approve the forms required to enable it to exercise its duties and powers;

8. document its work and data, and retain the relevant records for such period as it determines; and

9. exercise any other duties or powers assigned to it by the Attorney General.

Meetings of the Committee
Article (4)

a. The Committee will convene at the invitation of its chairman, or, in the chairman's absence, the vice chairman, or at the request of the Centre, whenever necessary, at the time and place determined by the chairman or the vice chairman.

b. Committee meetings will be valid if attended by the majority of its members, provided that the chairman or vice chairman, and the representative of the Centre are in attendance.

c. The Committee will pass its recommendations by majority vote of the attending members; and in the event of a tie, the chair of the meeting will have a casting vote.

d. The Committee's recommendations will be recorded in minutes signed by the chair of the meeting and attending members. Any dissenting opinion expressed by a member must be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

e. The Committee's rapporteur will be responsible for sending meeting invitations to the chairman and members of the Committee, preparing its meeting agendas, recording minutes of its meetings, following up the implementation of its recommendations, and performing any other duties assigned to him by the chairman of the Committee.

Procedures for Approving Release Applications
Article (5)

a. Before a decision ordering the release of a Juvenile Delinquent is issued, it must be established that the conditions, criteria, and controls prescribed by the Federal Law for the release of a Juvenile Delinquent have been satisfied, including the requirement that the Juvenile Delinquent has served half of the sentence.

b. Approval of the release of a Juvenile Delinquent will be subject to the following procedures:

    1. An application for the conditional release of a Juvenile Delinquent will be submitted to the Committee on the form it prescribes for this purpose, accompanied by the documents specified by it.

    2. The Committee will consider the application for the conditional release of a Juvenile Delinquent and its supporting documents, and assign to the Centre the preparation of a

report on the Juvenile Delinquent containing the information specified in Article (6) of this Resolution.

3. The Committee will make its recommendation approving or rejecting the application within fifteen (15) working days from the date on which the Centre submits the report on the Juvenile Delinquent to the Committee under sub-paragraph (b)(2) of this Article. Where the application is rejected, the decision rejecting the application must be reasoned.

Report on the Release of Juvenile Delinquents
Article (6)

In considering an application for the conditional release of a Juvenile Delinquent, the Centre will, within fifteen (15) working days from the date on which the application is submitted to the Committee, prepare a comprehensive report on the Juvenile Delinquent. The report must include:

1. an evaluation of the conduct of the Juvenile Delinquent during his stay at the Centre, and the extent of his compliance with the rules and regulations in force at the Centre;

2. the opinion of the Child Rehabilitation Specialist as to the readiness of the Juvenile Delinquent for reintegration into society, including an assessment of the Juvenile Delinquent's relationships with other persons at the Centre and with his supervisors; and of the extent of his ability to establish healthy and positive relationships;

3. the proposed plan for enrolling the Juvenile Delinquent in an educational institution or placing him with an employer, and an assessment of his ability to assume responsibility, taking into account his psychological and social circumstances;

4. the length of the sentence imposed, and the period served by the Juvenile Delinquent at the Centre, the nature and seriousness of the offence committed and the degree of risk it poses to society;

5. the age of the Juvenile Delinquent and whether he falls within the age range specified by the Federal Law;

6. the identity of the person who will be responsible for the care of the Juvenile Delinquent following his release;

7. a written undertaking from the Guardian accepting responsibility for the Juvenile Delinquent following release and confirming the family's readiness to receive and support him;

8. confirmation that the conditional release of the Juvenile Delinquent would not endanger his life or physical or psychological well-being or expose him to any direct or indirect risk;

9. the recommendations of the Centre on measures to assist the Juvenile Delinquent and provide him with material or moral support following release; and

10. any other information specified by the Committee.

Decisions on the Release of Juvenile Delinquents
Article (7)

The Attorney General will, upon the recommendation of the Committee, issue a decision ordering the release of a Juvenile Delinquent.

Providing Support to the Committee
Article (8)

The Public Prosecution will provide administrative support to the Committee to enable it to perform its duties under this Resolution, the resolutions issued in pursuance hereof, and other legislation in force in the Emirate.

Cooperation with the Committee
Article (9)

All Concerned Entities in the Emirate must fully cooperate with the Committee and provide it with the data, information, studies, statistics, and documents it requests and deems necessary to enable it to exercise its duties and powers under the Federal Law, this Resolution, the resolutions issued in pursuance thereof, and other legislation in force in the Emirate.

Confidentiality
Article (10)

The chairman, vice chairman, members, and rapporteur of the Committee must maintain the confidentiality of the Committee's meetings, deliberations, and minutes and any information to which they have access in their capacity as members of the Committee. They must not disclose or make a copy of such information without the approval of the chairman. This duty of confidentiality will survive the end of their work relationship with the Committee.

Issuing Implementing Resolutions
Article (11)

The Attorney General will issue the resolutions required for the implementation of this Resolution.

Repeals
Article (12)

Any provision in any other legislation is hereby repealed to the extent that it contradicts the provisions of this Resolution.

Commencement and Publication
Article (13)

This Resolution comes into force on the day on which it is issued, and will be published in the Official Gazette.

Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum

Ruler of Dubai

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