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Mr. Alvaro Galindo is an International Counsel advising on complex international arbitration matters, particularly those involving Latin American jurisdictions. Currently, he is the Dean of the Law School at Universidad de las Americas and partner at Carmigniani Perez Law Firm. His practice focuses on disputes between sovereign states and state-owned entities and private companies. He is recognized by The Legal 500 Latin America since 2012 and was noted in this publication as “outstandingly intelligent” and for his “incomparable capacity for coordinating, planning, strategic assessment, and for his diplomatic approach.

He was as member of the international arbitration practice at Dechert LLP in Washington, D.C. He also served as the Director of the International Affairs and Arbitration Unit for the Republic of Ecuador’s Attorney General Office. He acted as a legal consultant for the World Bank Group’s International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID) in Washington, D.C., and as regional director for the Latin American Development Corporation, where he coordinated the committee in charge of drafting the Arbitration Law of Ecuador.

Mr. Galindo has significant teaching experience in areas of international investment and arbitration law, having previously served as Director of Graduate Programs and Vice Dean of the University of San Francisco de Quito School of Law. He has authored numerous publications and articles related to arbitration and international investment law.

Currently, he is the Dean of the Law School at University of the Americas, a Law Professor at Georgetown University Law Center, with a course on Advanced Topics in International Investment Arbitration and Law Professor of Practical Aspects of Arbitration (Spanish course) at American University Washington College of Law. He is a repeated speaker at the Columbia University’s Center for Sustainable Investment workshop on the Investment Treaties and Arbitration Executive Training for government officials

Mr. Galindo has represented sovereign states in different international and regional forums, among others, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, UNCTAD; the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law Working Group on Arbitration, UNCITRAL. In addition, he is a member of the Legal Advisory Task Force (LATF), set up by the Energy Charter Secretariat to assist in the drafting of the Model Agreement for cross-border oil and gas. Mr.

Galindo is a Member of the Court of the ICC International Court of Arbitration and arbitrator in various arbitration centers in Latin America. In September 2021, he was appointed as arbitrator under the ICSID Convention by the Republic of Ecuador.

Mr. Galindo is a Member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA) Drafting Committee in charge of developing additional procedural mechanisms for the PCA's Arbitration Rules of 2012. He was a Member of the Court of the Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA) until February 2020, and a Member of the Drafting Committee of the PCA's 2012 Arbitration Rules; He volunteers his time as Member of Georgetown University's Latin American and Caribbean Law Alumni Advisory Board and other social causes.

Mr. Galindo is licensed to practice law in Ecuador and is registered as Special Legal Consultant in Washington, D.C.

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