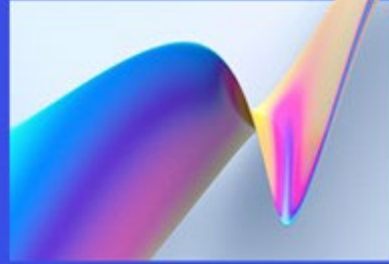




Tax Alert: Qatar-Egypt Double Tax Treaty Signed



On 27 February 2023, the State of Qatar and the Arab Republic of Egypt signed an agreement for the avoidance of the double taxation (Double Tax Treaty or “DTT”) with respect to taxes on income. The DTT aims to eliminate double taxation, prevent tax evasion, and promote investments and trade exchange between the two countries. Please note that the agreement is yet to be ratified and will become effective only after its ratification by both the states.

As reported in the Qatar News Agency (QNA), the DTT aims to eliminate double taxation and prevent tax evasion, in addition to facilitating and encouraging investments and trade exchange, increasing investment opportunities between the two countries through individuals and corporations and providing them with protection and strengthening international standards of transparency through the exchange of financial information.

The DTT also includes provisions related to international maritime and air transportation, joint ventures, dividends, interests, and royalties. Notably, profits resulting from the operation of ships or aircraft in international transport are exempt from tax, and the tax on dividends is set at a maximum of 5% of the total amount of dividends if the beneficiary owns no less than 10% of the company's distributed capital.

The agreement also exempts government entities from tax on dividends and interest and exempts capital gains from disposing of shares listed in the stock market.

Although the official version of the treaty has not yet been released, the signing of the agreement constitutes a significant advancement in strengthening the bilateral economic relations between the two countries. Once the official text of the treaty is made available, businesses operating in both countries must conduct a thorough review of the provisions outlined in the DTT to assess its potential implications on their operations and activities.

Our team of tax experts is available to provide guidance on navigating the new treaty and developing an effective tax strategy that meets your business needs. Please note that source of our tax alert is the reports published in the newspapers,

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or would like to discuss this further.

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