

UNHRC to set up regional training office in Doha

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The United Nations Human Rights Commission has chosen Qatar as the venue of a key training centre for the southern West Asian region, Al Sharq reported yesterday quoting Mariam Al Malki, Coordinator at the National Office for Combating Trafficking in Humans.

The proposed organ of the UN human rights body here will be known as the Centre for Training in Human Rights and Documentation.

The Centre will provide necessary support to human rights institutions in the region in terms of training and technical help.

The Centre will actively cooperate with the governments in the region to train their personnel in combating trafficking in humans and preventing human rights violations and prepare studies and documentation related to these violations.

Al Malki said that the Centre will also help the Qatari government in meeting its international commitment in the realm of human rights.

According to the official, human trafficking is the third largest organised crime in the world after illegal weapons trade and drug trafficking.