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Lessons in Legal Studies and Terminology in English Addressed to First Year-Law Stusents Semester 1

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Lesson one : Introduction To The Science Of Law

Law : law is a framework of rules established by societies or governments to regulate behavior and address issues such as crimes, agreements, and social interactions. It is enforced by courts and the state to maintain order and achieve justice. According to Section1 of The Algerian Civil Code, the primary sources of law include:

- Legislation
- Saria principles
- Customs
- Natural law principles
- Justice

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Classification of Law

1. Public law

This branch governs the relationship between individuals and the state when the state acts as representative of society. Key areas include: constitutional law administrative law, criminal law and financial law.

- **Constitutional law** : The highest authority , outlining the fonduation and organization of the state . it ensures the supremacy of the rule of law and governs other laws.
- Administrative law: Regulates the functioTns and powers of government bodies, their powers, and their relationships with individuals it establishes legal norms for decision-making and policy enforcement.
- **Criminal law** : Protects society by defining crimes ,penalties, and judicial procedures. It embodies the concept of legal sanctions and promotes justice .
- **Financial law** : Focuses on the regulation of financial markets , institutions, and transactions to ensure stability and fairness.

2. Private law

This branch addresses relationships between individuals or between individuals and the state when the state acts as a private entity. Main areas include :civil law, personal status law, commercial law, international private law.

- **Civil law** : manages personal and financial relationships between individuals, such as legal rights and legal duties in contracts , family law, and inheritance.
- **Personal status law :** focuses on family matters, often influenced by religious principles and cultural norms.
- Commercial law : regulates trade and business, balancing public and private interests.

• International private law : deals with cross-border disputes and the recognition of foreign laws or judgments.

Terminologies القانون الدستوري Constitutional law القانون الاداري Administrative law القانون الجنائي Criminal law القانون المالى Financial Law القانون الخاص Private law القانون المدنى Civil law القانون التجاري Commercial law القانون الدولى الخاص International private law قانون الأحوال الشخصية Personal status law التشريع Legislation العرفCustoms مبادئ القانون الطبيعي Natural law principles العدالة Justice سيادة القانون Rule of law الحقوق القانونية Legal rights الواجب القانوني Legal duty العقوبات القانونية Legal sanctions الظوابط القانونية Legal norms المدون القانوني Civil code