

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD ON 17th NOVEMBER, 2017**

A meeting of the Business Advisory Committee was held on 17th November, 2017, in Committee Room No. 3, Parliament House Islamabad under the Chairmanship of Mian Raza Rabbani, Chairman Senate of Pakistan.

2. The agenda of the meeting was as under:-

- i. Duration and business to be transacted during the 270th Session.
- ii. Any other item with permission of the Chair.

3. Following Members attended the meeting:-

1. Hon. Mian Raza Rabbani, Chairman Senate	Chairman
2. Senator Molana Abdul Ghafoor Haideri, Dy. Chairman Senate	Member
3. Senator Raja M. Zafar ul Haq, Leader of the House	Member
4. Senator Aitzaz Ahsan, Leader of the Opposition	Member
5. Senator Saleem Zia, Chief Whip (PML-N)	Member
6. Senator Taj Haider (PPPP)	Member
7. Senator Col. (R) Tahir Hussain Mashhadi (MQM)	Member
8. Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood (JUI-F)	Member
9. Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed (PML)	Member
10. Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar (PKMAP)	Member
11. Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini, BNP-M	Member
12. Mr. Zahid Hamid, Minister for Law and Justice	Ex-officio Member

4. Meeting started with the recitation from the Holy Quran. The Chairman welcomed the Members.


AGENDA ITEM NO. I: DURATION AND BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED DURING THE 270TH SESSION.

5. Senator Aizaz Ahsan, Leader of the Opposition, raised concerns regarding summoning of the unscheduled Session of Senate without adequate Notice and also objected to bringing the Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2017, without taking into confidence the Leader of the Opposition and Parliamentary Parties Leaders in the Senate.


6. Mr. Zahid Hamid, Minister for Law and Justice, explained the objects and reasons of the Election (Amendment) Bill, 2017. He further informed that passage of the Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2017, is the need of the hour and any delay in this regard would result in delay in holding of General Elections.

7. The Committee decided that the Election (Amendment) Bill, 2017, will be taken up in the first sitting of the Senate and the consideration of Election (Amendment) Bill, 2017, will be deferred till Monday, in case of lack of quorum for the passage of the Constitutional Amendment.

8. The Meeting ended with the vote of thanks to and from the Chair.



(Amjed Pervez)
Secretary Senate



(Mian Raza Rabbani)
Chairman Senate of Pakistan