## SENATE SECRETARIAT

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF PROCEDURE AND PRIVILEGES ON THE BREACH OF PRIVILEGE OF THE HOUSE DUE TO NON-PROVISION OF REPORT BY THE CONCERNED OFFICERS / OFFICIALS TO THE MINISTER FOR RESPONDING THE ITEM REGARDING CHARGING OF TAX ON FREE DOMESTIC AIR TICKETS BEING ISSUED TO THE EMPLOYEES OF THE PIA.

(Report No. 4 of 2015)

I, Chairman of the Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges, have the honour to present report of the Committee on the breach of privilege of the House due to non-provision of report by the concerned officers / officials to the Minister for responding the item regarding charging of tax on free domestic air tickets being issued to the employees of the PIA.

2. The composition of the Committee is as under:-

1.	Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini	Chairman
2.	Senator Zahida Khan	Member
3.	Senator Hilalur Rehman	Member
4.	Senator Atta Ur Rehman	Member
5.	Senator Nighat Mirza	Member
6.	Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah	Member
7.	Senator Iqbal Zafar Jhagra	Member
8.	Senator Saud Majeed	Member
9.	Senator Saeed Ghani	Member
10.	Senator Zaheerud Din Babar Awan	Member
11.	Senator Aitzaz Ahsan	Member
12.	Senator Farooq Hamid Naek	Member
13.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs.	Ex-Officio Member

3. The details of the issue before the Committee were that Senator Khushbakht Shujat raised the matter of charging tax on the free air tickets being issued to the employees of PIA which was placed on the Orders of the Day for 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2015. The Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division, when called by the Chair for making a

report on the matter, stated that the Aviation Division had not provided him brief for responding the same. The Chairman Senate took it as breach of privilege of the House and referred the same to the Committee for consideration and report. The Committee discussed the matter in its meetings held on11<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2015.

- 4. The Committee took serious notice of the irresponsible and casual attitude of the Ministry. The Chairman stated that a new provision has been made in the Senate rules and the Ministers are required to present reports in the House after every three months on the matters of public importance raised by the Members in the House. In this case the Ministry failed to comply with the rules' requirement and breached the privilege of the House.
- 5. The Secretary, Aviation Division, informed that they prepared a brief for the Minister on the agenda item regarding charging of tax on free air tickets being issued to the employees of the PIA which was to be taken up in the Senate on 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2015. The officers of the Aviation Division went to hand over the same to the Minister but he was busy at that time. They kept on waiting but due to some communication gap they failed to hand over the brief to the Minister. He apologized for this lapse and assured that in future they will take extra care.
- 6. The Committee accepted the apology tendered by the Secretary Aviation Division and recommend that no action may be taken in this regard.

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(Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini) Chairman