

## SENATE SECRETARIAT

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF PROCEDURE AND PRIVILEGES ON PRIVILEGE MOTION NO. 3(123)/2016-M, MOVED BY SENATOR COL. (R) SYED TAHIR HUSSAIN MASHHADI ON 17TH JANUARY, 2016.

(Report No. 20 of 2016)

I, Chairman of the Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges, have the honour to present report of the Committee on Privilege Motion No. 3(123)/2016-M, moved by Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi on 17th January, 2016 against misbehavior of the staff of Airport Security Force at Karachi Airport on 17th January, 2016, when he was travelling from Karachi to Islamabad on PK-370 at 1900 Hours.

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 matter before the Committee were that Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi moved the said Privilege Motion on 17th January, 2016 against misbehavior of the staff of Airport Security Force at Karachi Airport on 17th January, 2016, when he was travelling from Karachi to Islamabad on PK-370 at 1900 Hours. The Chairman Senate held the motion in order and referred the same to the Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges for consideration and

report. The Committee considered the motion in its meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2016. The Secretary, Aviation Division, DG ASF and Chief Security Officer, Karachi Airport, were called to appear before the Committee and explain their position on the matter.

4. The Chief Security Officer, Karachi Airport, informed that they have conducted an inquiry into the incident. The persons against whom the complaint was made had tendered written apology. He also informed that there were some gold items in the bag of wife of the mover which, while passing through the checking machine, were not recognizable and gave no expression except a black spot. He informed that in such cases the manual search of the baggage is carried out to ensure safety of passengers.

5. The Deputy Director General, Airport Security Force, stated that they try to ensure security of passengers. He stated that gold items give black expression which is highly suspected. In this case the shape of ornaments was giving appearance like of a pistol due to which it became necessary to check the bag manually. He informed that whenever complaints are received against the airport security force employees strict actions are taken in the cases where they are found guilty. He quoted a number of cases in which punishment was awarded to the guilty employees. He also informed that they have installed CCTV cameras from their own funds to watch the activities and working of the employees of that force on their duty points. He said that the employees against whom the complaints have been made have apologized in writing.

6. Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi said that the report submitted by the ASF to the committee regarding the incident under investigation was incorrect. He said that he did not object the searching of bag of his wife. He informed that his wife asked the searching lady to take care so that the gold items in the bag may not fall/misplace. The lady replied rudely and asked her to keep on



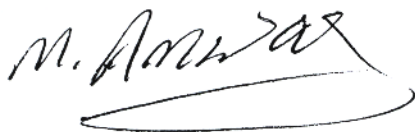
standing away. The body language of the lady was very rude and insulting. The Senator stated further that the behavior of the lady hurt him a lot.

7. The Chairman Committee stated that there were many complaints against the employees of ASF posted on airports. He was of the view that there were many loop holes in the system. He directed that the behavior of the employees should be improved. He also directed that the complaints made by the Parliamentarians should be taken seriously.

8. Senators Saeed Ghani, Iqbal Zafar Jhagra and Atta Ur Rehman stated that ASF employees should have behaved politely and respectfully with the mover. They directed that the employees while carrying out checking of passengers and their luggage at airports should pay due respect to common people as well as to the Members of Parliament.

9. Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi stated that his purpose for moving the privilege motion was only to highlight the matter and to bring the matter to the notice of the officers of the ASF. He did not press his motion.

10. The Chairman Committee directed that the employees of ASF should remain careful in future. They should give due respect to everyone. They should perform their duty efficiently but no one should be misbehaved in the name of search and checking. He also directed that the employee should improve their behavior with general public as well as the parliamentarians. The Committee accepted the apology tendered by the concerned ASF employees and disposed off matter. The Committee hereby recommends that no further action is required in the matter.



(Muhammad Anwar)  
A.S. / Secretary Committee



(Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini)  
Chairman