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| Sitting Hours and Attendance | | |
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| Commenced at | 03:33 pm | |
| Adjourned at | 07:00 pm | |
| Session summoned on | 05-08-2016 | |
| Session prorogued on | 05-08-2016 | |
| Number of working days | 1 | |
| Number of actual sittings | 1 | |
| Total attendance | 61 | |
| Presided by | Mian Raza Rabbani Chairman Senate | |
| Total hours of sitting | 03 hours and 27 minutes | |

PANEL OF PRESIDING OFFICERS

- 1.
- 2. 3.
- Senator Nuzhat Sadiq Senator Sitara Ayaz Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi
 - Chair recognized the presence of the following dignitaries:

| 1. | Sardar Ayaz Sadiq | Speaker National Assembly |
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| 2. | Syed Nayyer Hussain Bokhari | Former Chairman Senate |
| 3. | Mr. Khalil-ur-Rehman | Former Deputy Chairman Senate |
| 4. | Mr. Sabir Ali Baloch | Former Deputy Chairman Senate |
| 5. | Mr. Jan Muhammad Jamali | Former Deputy Chairman Senate |
| 6. | Senator Mrs. Saeeda Iqbal | Former Senator |
| 7. | Senator Muhammad Enver Baig | Former Senator |
| 8. | Senator Mrs. Razina Alam Khan | Former Senator |
| 9. | Senator Afrasiab Khattak | Former Senator |
| 10. | Senator Syed Zafar Ali Shaikh | Former Senator |
| 11. | Senator Hafiz Rashid Ahmed | Former Senator |
| 12. | Senator Abdul Raziq | Former Senator |
| 13. | Senator Abdul Malik Qadri | Former Senator |
| 14. | Senator Dr. Abdul Hayee | Former MNA |

COMMEMORATION OF SENATE'S 44TH FOUNDATION DAY AND DISCUSSION ON ROLE AND POWERS OF THE SEANTE OF PAKISTAN

The following Members spoken:

- 1. Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan
- 2. Senator Aitzaz Ahsan, LOO
- 3. Senator Molana Abdul Ghafoor Haideri, Deputy Chairman
- 4. Senator Hasil Khan Bizenjo
- 5. Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed
- 6. Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood
- 7. Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi
- 8. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar
- 9. Senator Ilyas Ahmad Bilour
- 10. Senator Sirajul Haq
- 11. Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini
- 12. Senator Syed Shibli Faraz
- 13. Senator Saeed Ghani
- 14. Senator Hidayat Ullah
- 15. Senator Sehar Kamran
- 16. Senator Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Abdul Oayyum
- 17. Senator Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi
- 18. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeg Shaikh
- 19. Senator Nehal Hashmi
- 20. Senator Saleem Zia
- 21. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi
- 22. Senator Taj Haider
- 23. Senator Sitara Ayaz
- 24. Senator Abdul Rehman Malik
- 25. Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel
- 26. Senator Lt. Gen. (R) Salahuddin Tirmizi
- 27. Senator Ghous Muhammad Khan Niazi
- 28. Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif
- 29. Senator Shahi Syed
- During the speeches, Senator Aitaza Ahsan, Leader of the Opposition moved the following resolution, which was passed unanimously:-

RESOLUTION

"WHEREAS the long and arduous struggle of the people of Pakistan for federalism and bicameral parliament was reflected in the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973, and as a result, the Senate of Pakistan, on 6th August, 1973, came into existence as a House of the Federation, giving equal representation to the Federating Units;

WHEREAS the drafters of the Constitution, 1973, considered it the most important introduction in the Constitution to provide for a truly and genuinely federal form or federal

Constitution in the country notwithstanding the huge disparity in the population of various provinces;

WHEREAS the Senate of Pakistan keeping in view the concept of unity through diversity; provides for the blossoming of different cultures within the Federation, so as to synthesize it into one Pakistani culture; thus playing an important role in promoting inter-provincial and federal-provincial harmony;

WHEREAS the Senate of Pakistan commemorates its 44th Foundation Day;

THEREFORE, the Senate of Pakistan, on this historic day and keeping in view the significance of evolving and safeguarding parliamentary traditions,-

REITERATES its commitment to play its Constitutional role of defending and safeguarding the rights and interests of the Federation, Federating Units and citizens of Pakistan;

PAYS TRIBUTE to,-

- the unsung heroes of democracy; political workers and common people of Pakistan, who sacrificed their lives and liberty to uphold the Constitution of Pakistan, 1973;
- our predecessors who worked hard to maintain the dignity and status of the Senate of Pakistan;

APPRECIATES the inclusion of Members of Senate in the Public Accounts Committee (PAC); a step forward in strengthening the democracy and participatory federalism, which had become the constitutional requirement after the Constitution (18th Amendment) Act, 2010;

RESOLVES to continue its struggle for,-

Enhancement of the role and powers of the Senate in order to make Pakistan a true federation as envisaged by the Constitution, 1973;

Protection and representation of interests and rights of the,-

- Federating units and the people of Pakistan;
- Marginalized Segments of Society; and
- Ethnic minorities

Transmitting fruits of democracy to the people of Pakistan;

Undertaking legislation that translates policies for the welfare and betterment of the Federation, the Federating Units and its citizenry.

Ensuring that devolution of subjects and powers takes place within the constitutional parameters; and

Safeguarding the interest of the federation in view of the emerging regional realities.