

**SENATE OF PAKISTAN
HOUSE OF THE FEDERATION**



REPORT NO.9

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS

ON

**THE CLUBBED STARRED QUESTION NOS. 63, 64 & 65 ASKED BY
SENATOR MUSHTAQ AHMED, REGARDING THE TWO PAKISTANI
SCHOOLS IN LIBYA, REFERRED BY THE CHAIRMAN SENATE
DURING THE SENATE SITTING HELD ON 5TH MAY, 2023**

PRESENTED BY

**SENATOR FAROOQ H. NAEK
CHAIRMAN COMMITTEE**

SENATE SECRETARIAT

Subject: **REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS.**

I, Senator Farooq H. Naek, Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs have the honour to present the report of the Committee on the Clubbed Starred Question Nos. 63, 64 & 65 asked by Senator Mushtaq Ahmed, regarding the two Pakistani Schools in Libya referred by the Chairman Senate during the Senate sitting held on 5th May, 2023.

2. The composition of the Standing Committee is as follows:-

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| 1. Senator Farooq H. Naek | Chairman |
| 2. Senator Dr. Shahzad Waseem, Leader of the Opposition | Member |
| 3. Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed | Member |
| 4. Senator Saadia Abbasi | Member |
| 5. Senator Molana Abdul Ghafoor Haideri | Member |
| 6. Senator Faisal Javed | Member |
| 7. Senator Anwaar ul Haq Kakar | Member |
| 8. Senator Walid Iqbal | Member |
| 9. Senator Muhammad Tahir Bizenjo | Member |
| 10. Senator Sarfaraz Ahmed Bugti | Member |
| 11. Senator Palwasha Muhammad Zai Khan | Member |
| 12. Senator Dr. Zarqa Soharwardy Taimur | Member |
| 13. <u>Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri</u> | <u>Member</u> |
| 14. Minister for Foreign Affairs | Ex. Officio Member |

3. The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs considered the matter in its meeting held on 25th May, 2023. Following members of the Committee attended the meeting:-

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| 1. Senator Farooq H. Naek | Chairman |
| 2. Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed | Member |
| 3. Senator Molana Abdul Ghafoor Haideri | Member |
| 4. Senator Saadia Abbasi | Member |
| 5. Senator Anwar ul Haq Kakar | Member |
| 6. Senator Muhammad Tahir Bizenjo | Member |
| 7. Senator Sarfaraz Ahmed Bugti | Member |
| 8. Senator Palwasha Muhammad Zai Khan | Member |
| 9. <u>Senator Walid Iqbal</u> | <u>Member</u> |
| 10. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed | Mover |

4. The Hon'ble Senator Farooq H. Naek, Chairman of the Committee asked the Secretary Foreign Affairs to brief the Committee on the matter regarding the "Clubbed Starred Question Nos. 63, 64 & 65 asked by Senator Mushtaq Ahmed, in relation to two Pakistani Schools in Libya".

5. Giving the details of school located in Tripoli, the Foreign Secretary said that currently Mr. Iftikhar Ali who holds Masters Degree in Educational planning and Management and English, is the Principal of Tripoli branch of school having vast experience of teaching in various educational institutions of Pakistan. His contract is for three years commenced from 4th July, 2021.

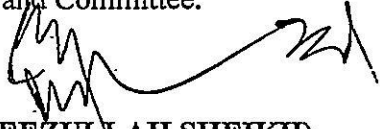
6. He further informed the Committee that there are 227 students of Pakistani community enrolled with School in different classes, beside number of other students from different nationalities. A school Governing Body (SGB) consist of following members manage matters of the schools:-

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| Ambassador | : | Chairman |
| Military Attaché | : | Vice-Chairman |
| Education Attaché | : | Member |
| School Principal | : | Secretary |
| One Member from School Staff | : | Serve on yearly rotation basis |
| 02 Members from Community in Libya | : | Serve on yearly rotation basis |
| 02 Libyan nationals | : | Serve on yearly rotation basis |

7. The syllabus being taught in the school are consist of Federal Board, Islamabad for SSC and HSSC students and IGCSE for international students. He further said that only source of revenue generation is mostly fee and annual charges. Fee concessions are also granted on need basis to deserving Pakistani students mainly the children of low-income parents.

8. The Mover, Senator Mushtaq Ahmed said that as far as the information of Tripoli school is concerned, its quite sufficient however, the details in relation to the school situated in Benghazi is missing.

9. Officers of Ministry of Foreign Affairs briefly gave the details of the Benghazi school, however, the Hon'ble Chairman of the Committee Senator Farooq H. Naek asked the Foreign Secretary to furnish the complete information in writing as has been given about the Tripoli school. The same must be submitted to the Secretary Committee as early as possible. The same will be sent to the hon'ble Mover. The matter was accordingly disposed-off with the consent of Mover and Committee.


(HAFEEZULLAH SHEIKH)
AS/Secretary Committee


(SENATOR FAROOQ H. NAEK)
Chairman
SC on Foreign Affairs

**SENATE OF PAKISTAN
HOUSE OF THE FEDERATION**



REPORT NO.8

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS

ON

**THE POINT OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE RAISED BY SENATOR PRINCE AHMED
UMER AHMEDZAI REGARDING THE "D.O LETTER ISSUED BY THE SECTION
OFFICER OF THE FOREIGN OFFICE IN WHICH IT IS DECLARED THAT
PARLIAMENTARIANS CANNOT BE APPOINTED AS HONOURARY CONSUL
GENERALS, REFERRED BY THE CHAIRMAN SENATE DURING THE SENATE
SITTING DATED 3RD APRIL, 2023.**

PRESENTED BY

**SENATOR FAROOQ H. NAEK
CHAIRMAN COMMITTEE**

SENATE SECRETARIAT

Subject: REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

I, Senator Farooq H. Naek, Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs have the honour to present the report of the Committee on the Point of Public Importance raised by Senator Prince Ahmed Umer Ahmedzai regarding the "D.O letter issued by the Section Officer of the Foreign Office in which it is declared that Parliamentarians cannot be appointed as Honorary Consul Generals, referred by the Chairman Senate during the Senate sitting dated 3rd April, 2023.

2. The composition of the Standing Committee is as follows:-

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| 1. Senator Farooq H. Naek | Chairman |
| 2. Senator Dr. Shahzad Waseem, Leader of the Opposition | Member |
| 3. Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed | Member |
| 4. Senator Saadia Abbasi | Member |
| 5. Senator Molana Abdul Ghafoor Haideri | Member |
| 6. Senator Faisal Javed | Member |
| 7. Senator Anwaar ul Haq Kakar | Member |
| 8. Senator Walid Iqbal | Member |
| 9. Senator Muhammad Tahir Bizenjo | Member |
| 10. Senator Sarfaraz Ahmed Bugti | Member |
| 11. Senator Palwasha Muhammad Zai Khan | Member |
| 12. Senator Dr. Zarqa Soharwardy Taimur | Member |
| 13. <u>Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri</u> | <u>Member</u> |
| 14. Minister for Foreign Affairs | Ex. Officio Member |

3. The Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs considered the matter in its meeting held on 25th May, 2023. Following members of the Committee attended the meeting:-

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| 1. Senator Farooq H. Naek | Chairman |
| 2. Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed | Member |
| 3. Senator Molana Abdul Ghafoor Haideri | Member |
| 4. Senator Saadia Abbasi | Member |
| 5. Senator Anwar ul Haq Kakar | Member |
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| 7. Senator Sarfaraz Ahmed Bugti | Member |
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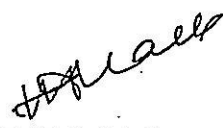
4. The Secretary Committee informed the Committee that Mover, Senator Prince Ahmed Umer Ahmedzai is in Quetta due to prior personal engagements and would not be able to attend the meeting, however, he has no objection if Committee takes up his Point of Public Importance matter pertaining to the "D.O letter issued by the Section Officer of the Foreign Office in which it is declared that Parliamentarians cannot be appointed as Honorary Consul Generals" and take decision accordingly. The Hon'ble Chairman Senator Farooq H. Naek thereafter asked the Secretary Foreign Affairs to brief the Committee into the matter.

5. He while explaining the reasons for discouraging the members of Parliament and members of Provincial Assemblies for appointment as Consul Generals, said that according to the rules established in 2005, parliamentarians were discouraged from serving as Honorary Consul Generals due to potential conflicts of interest and honor of the parliamentarians. He in this regard furnished copy of the criteria for Appointment of Honorary Consul Generals in Pakistan Policy-2005 (Annexure-A).

6. The Chairman and the Committee members while agreeing the explanation as given by the Foreign Secretary, unanimously disposed-off the matter of Public Importance raised by Senator Prince Ahmed Umer Ahmedzai.



(HAFEEZULLAH SHEIKH)
AS/Secretary Committee



(SENATOR FAROOQ H. NAEK)
Chairman
Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs

CRITERIA FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF
HONORARY CONSULS IN PAKISTAN - POLY 2005

- a) Educated (minimum graduate) Pakistani national having good social, financial standing and involvement in trade activities, residing in the province of appointment and not less than 30 years of age will be eligible for nomination.
- b) Initial tenure of Honorary Consul will be restricted to five years, to be renewed every four years.
- c) Honorary appointment will be restricted to one person in a family at a time. Persons proposed for the appointment should not hold Consular Commission of any other country.
- d) Honorary Consuls should be bonafide Pakistani citizens and should not hold dual nationality of any other country.
- e) Honorary Consuls should be registered taxpayers and declare their assets at the time of appointment.
- f) Members of Parliament, Provincial Assemblies, Political Parties, Nazims and persons holding public offices will invariably be discouraged for nomination.
- g) Appointments will be made at the level of Honorary Consul and up-gradation to Honorary Consul General would be considered on a request by the sending state, only after completion of 5 years initial tenure subject to the concrete and verifiable contribution made by the Honorary Consul towards the development of bilateral trade and cultural relations.
- h) Honorary Consuls will be encouraged to organize Annual Seminars in the Provincial Capitals to project their achievements and interact with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and trade oriented institutions in Pakistan.
- i) Honorary Consulates will be permitted in the Provincial Capitals and key industrial centers in future and those presently located in the Capital territory will be relocated.