



RESOLUTION NO.78

“The Senate unanimously condemns the incident of 13th January, 2006 in Damadola village in the Bajaur area.

The Senate deplores the loss of innocent lives in the incident, including women and children. The House extends deep sympathies to the bereaved families.

The Senate further deplores the violation of the sovereignty of Pakistan in this incident.

The House stresses that maintenance of security inside the territory of Pakistan is the responsibility of Pakistani authorities. Such intrusion whether in Bajaur or any other territory in Pakistan is not acceptable under any circumstances.

The Senate underlines that such incidents negatively impact on Pakistan’s friendly relations with the United States. Pakistan is itself a victim of terrorism and is at the forefront of the efforts of the international community to eliminate this scourge. Incidents of this nature erode public support for measures to combat terrorism.

The Senate further notes that such events have the effect of kindling public sentiments not only in Pakistan but also across the entire Islamic world.

The Senate recognizes the importance of friendly and cooperative relations with the United States. It underscores the imperative of ensuring that no incident of this nature takes place in the future. The two countries must utilize the available institutional mechanisms for the better coordination in the context of efforts to counter terrorism.”

Moved by Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar,
Unanimously Passed by the House on 25th January,
2006