

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD ON 27th SEP
2019 AT 4:00 PM IN EMBASSY LODGES HOTEL NEAR RAWAL LAKE CLUB
ROAD ISLAMABAD.**

Respected Members,

1. The meeting Chaired by the Chairman, Mr. Sarfraz Zahoor Cheema was held in the Meeting Room in Embassy Lodges Hotel, ISLAMABAD on Sep 27TH 2019. Following officials and members had participated in the meeting:-

- i. Mr. Sarfraz Zahoor Cheema (Chairman)
- ii. Mr. Athar Iqbal Shah (Senior Vice Chairman)
- iii. Mr. Asad Hafeez Kiani (Vice Chairman)
- iv. Mr. Naseem Akhtar Mehmood Ch (Member, E .C)
- v. Mr. Muhammad Usman (Member, E .C)
- vi. Mr. Mikaeel Khan (Member, E .C)
- vii. Mr. Muhammad Feroz Khan (Member, E .C)
- viii. Mr. Qaiser Naeem Malik (Member, E .C)
- ix. Mr. Muhammad Riaz Khan (Member, E .C)
- x. Mr. Raja Mehmood Ahmed (Member, E .C)
- xi. Mr. Muhammad Ashraf Khan Bilal (Member, E.C)
- xii. Mr. Khawaja Shahid Mehboob (Member, E.C)
- xiii. Mr. Muslim Shah (Member, E.C)
- xiv. Mr. Mubashir Rafiq Kiani (Member, E.C)
- xv. Mr. Muhammad Safdar (Member, E.C)
- xvi. Mr. Shamshad Ahmed Bajwa (Member, E.C)
- xvii. Mr. Gul Faraz Khan (Member, E .C)
- xviii. Mr. M. Rafiq Janjua (Member, E .C)
- xix. Mr. Maqsood Ahmed Butt (Member, E .C)
- xx. Mr. Muhammad Idress Chaudhry (Member, E .C)

- xxi. Mr. Zakria Awan (Member, E .C)
- xxii. Mr. Iftikhar Shukat Ch. (Member, E .C)
- xxiii. Mrs. Nazia Manzoor (Member, E .C)
- xxiv. Mrs. Farzana Sardar (Member, E .C)
- xxv. Mr. Shahbaz Zeb Khan Secretary General, POEPA

The meeting deliberated on the following agenda items:-

Agenda No.1	Approval of Accounts of Previous Months July-Aug 2019
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The executive committee had thoroughly examine the expenses occurred in the preceding month July-Aug 2019 & approved the upcoming expenses probable to be occurred in the upcoming month, Secretary general told the members about till date balance in Bank Account i.e Rs. 1582401/-. The accounts of the previous month were unanimously approved by the executive committee.

Agenda No.2	Discussion on awaiting & outstanding issues related to Saudi consulate Islamabad & Karachi
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Mr. Asad Hafeez Kiani & Mr. Muhamamad Usman gave the detailed briefing over the resolved and pending issues related to the both consulates of Islamabad & Karachi. Further the members had committed to resolve all the impending predicaments related to the Saudi consulates, for this purpose a letter for the request for the appointment of meeting with the newly elected members will be sent to the Saudi Embassy Islamabad, & moreover it was decided to formulate a detailed framework which needs to implemented in order to make a good business repute & relationship of the OEP community with the consulate, for this purpose we ask for suggestions from all over Pakistan which would be the course of action & activities to build a strong, reliable & trustworthy relationship with Saudi Royal Embassy. This will serve the purpose and these efforts would be quite supportive in seeking resolution & compensation of the OEP community problems.

Agenda No.3	Progress report concerning establishment of new protectorate office specifically in the region of Islamabad, Sialkot & Dera Ghazi Khan.
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Mr. Raja Mehmood had briefed the members that protectorate office of Sialkot is approved by establishment division is now in the office of finance ministry for approval, whereas the application of protectorate office of D.G Khan has been forwarded to establishment division for approval. Mr. Sarfraz Zahoor Cheema Chairman had emphasized the need of establishment of protectorate office in Islamabad for the OEPs operating in capital territory; he further told the members that this year they will pursue the earlier submitted application to the Bureau for the establishment of protectorate office Islamabad.

Agenda No.4	Enhancement in OEP service charges.
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Mr. Raja Mehmood was gave the detailed briefing over the progress in amendments in Emigration Rules. He told the members that the last meeting held with DG Bureau in the month of August, POEPA had submitted a refined official draft of proposal to the Bureau office for forward submission & approval of the Ministry, as per the latest news this draft for amendments is now forwarded to cabinet division for approval. POEPA had proposed the enhancement in OEP service charges between the brackets of (20000-25000) rupees.

Agenda No.5	Correspondence report & progress with State Bank of Pakistan for remittance on account of work visa processing fees by OEPs.
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Mr. Muhammad Usman gave the detailed information regarding the correspondence with the SBP and pursuance of the matter related to the remittance or foreign exchange required for submission work visa processing fee in Saudi Consulates through the E-Wallet provided by the Arab National Bank Riyadh. The OEP members were facing the problem in submission of the work visa fees through several non-banking channels, so this purpose POEPA had requested SBP to allow the OEPs to transfer this amount to his E-Wallet from OEP own banking account in any scheduled bank of Pakistan. For this purpose former chairman held a meeting with G.M Arab national Bank Riyadh and sorted out an organized

system for the transfer of this processing fee. Whereas now the State Bank of Pakistan had asked to provide a detail information/documents & mechanism of requested transaction through E-Wallet account, complete terms and conditions of the e-wallet account & the expected volume of visa processing fees on monthly and annual basis. He further told POEPA will provide this information to the SBP at the earliest to proceed further in this matter.

Agenda No.6	Progress report for POEPA license renewal.
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Secretary General had told the members for the delay in filing of application for the license renewal, he told the members that the Former Chairman had confiscated the POEPA original license and had also denied to sign the audit reports for the financial year 2017 as he claimed that we are going through the process of forensic audit of the year 2016, so this report will get in conflict with the forensic audit report , whereas POEPA official account is evident to have no concern with the forensic audit report. Owing these issues and the delays in the Elections 2018 due to Islamabad High Court case against illegal constitution of the executive committee and discrepancies & conflict of memorandum & articles of association with the TOA 2013 & TOR 2013, POEPA was unable to file the SECP statutory annual returns which are a compulsory requirement for the application of associations' license renewal. The delay was occurred in the process of explanation of non-compliance called by the SECP & subsequent submission of the SECP statutory annual returns of all the preceding years in order to acquire the Corporate Compliance certificate. However POEPA had filed an appeal to the Ministry of Commerce to condone the delay.

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- 1. Regulator TOs, Directorate General of Trade Organization.**
- 2. All members of Executive Committee.**

(Shahbaz Zeb Khan)
Secretary General.