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Subject: Blacklisting / Debarment by International Organizations

Dear Secretary;

It has been observed that firms, suppliers and contractors blacklisted/ debarred by the International Organizations on account of having been found indulged into corrupt or fraudulent (including collusive, coercive and obstructive) practices are taking part into the procurement processes in Pakistan. In exercise of the powers conferred by Section-5 of PPRA Ordinance, 2002, the Authority may take such measures and exercise such powers as may be necessary for improving governance, management transparency, accountability and quality of public procurement. The subject of blacklisting is also under review in the on-going exercise of Revision of Public Procurement Regulatory Framework-2019, however keeping in view of the experience feedback; following instructions are being issued as a stop gap arrangement:

- 1) *All those firms, suppliers and contractors blacklisted/ debarred by the International organizations shall be treated as blacklisted/ debarred and ineligible to participate in any public procurement process carried out by the Procuring Agency as defined under section 2(j) of PPRA Ordinance, 2002. However, in extraordinary circumstances and in exceptional cases; upon the request of such firm(s) etc.; wherein the Authority is of the opinion that the just cause and reasons exist; the Authority may evaluate the case(s) in the light of verifiable available record, and decide accordingly, and the decision thereof shall be considered as final.*

- 2) *Moreover, in cases of blacklisting/ debarment of firms, suppliers and contractors by International Organizations on the basis of consistent failure or unsatisfactory performance, the cases shall be evaluated by the Authority on the*

request of such firm(s) etc. After examination of the record and due deliberations, the capacity of the firm(s) shall be analysed and decision shall be made whether or not to allow such firm(s) to participate in future public procurements. The Authority may restrict the respective firm(s) etc. to the extent of such quantum, value, nature and category of procurement in accordance with analysed capacity of the firm(s) etc.; so as to avoid or minimize the probability of such performance failure in future procurements. In case of engineering goods, works and engineering design/consultancy services, the opinion of Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC) may be sought.

2. The applications for above-mentioned cases shall be entertained after depositing the prescribed fee as may be determined by the Authority from time to time.
3. These instructions shall have taken effect on all those firms blacklisted/ debarred on or after 14th August 2019.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely,



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All Federal Secretaries/Heads of Organization

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