

**GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN  
REVENUE DIVISION  
FEDERAL BOARD OF REVENUE  
(Customs Wing)**

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To

Syed Adil Gilani,  
Chairman,  
Transparency International-Pakistan,  
5-C, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Khayaban-e-Ittehad, Phase VII,  
Defence Housing Authority, Karachi.

SUBJECT:- ALLEGATION OF VIOLATION OF PUBLIC PROCUREMENT  
RULES, 2004 BY FBR IA AWARD OF CONTRACTS PRAL.

I am directed to refer to your letter dated July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010 on the subject cited above.

2. Allegations published in the Business Recorder were reported out of context ignoring the principles of objectivity. FBR strongly refuted this media report through clarification published in the same newspaper in its edition of July 07, 2010. It should be noted that FBR does not award business to PRAL on the basis that it is a fully owned subsidiary of FBR but on the basis that it is a proprietary single source of service to FBR which is fully provided for in the PPR, 2004.

3. It would also be pertinent to point out that IT related projects are not always awarded to M/s PRAL on single source basis as in the cases of Pakistan Customs Computerized System (PaCCS), Document Management System DocX, and SAP bases implementation of Financial Accounting Management System Controls were awarded to different companies keeping in view the principles of merit and transparency.

  
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