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Chairman,
Higher Education Commission,
Islamabad.

Sub: Violation of Public Procurement Rules 2004, Higher Education Commission, Request for Proposal for Supply and Commissioning of Laptop Computers for "Prime Minister's Laptops Scheme"

Dear Sir,

This is with reference to TI-Pakistan's previous letter written to Chairman, HEC on the procurement on the Rs. 20 Billion Phase- II of the Prime Minister's Laptops Scheme for 4 year Procurement of the 400,000 Laptops dated 6th June, 2015 (Copy Enclosed).

TI-Pakistan has raised an objection that;

HEC and Haier announced in 2014 May that Haier will set up Laptop manufacturing plant in Pakistan under contract awarded to them for 100,000 laptops. But they failed to fulfill the commitment or have setup the plant, and before the HEC tender is oriented towards a single source. In the 16th May, 2015 meeting, TI-Pakistan expressed serious reservation on this, and stated that TIP will not support the Laptop procurement tender, unless the condition of local manufacturing is deleted.

Kindly provide Haier establishment plant location under the contract awarded in 2014 and 2015. What is the total production of laptops in 2015 and 2016 and what advantage it is to Pakistan? On Haier's website there is no information about its laptops manufacturing in Pakistan, and not a single laptop made by Haier in Pakistan is on sale.

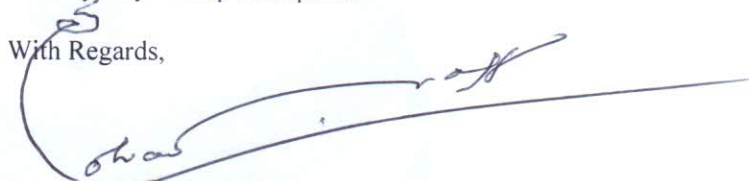
As most vendors will not participate in the bidding due to this condition. The vendor awarded the contract had shown the setting up of the plant on paper only.

TI-Pakistan still does not support the Laptop procurement tender where vendor has to set up a manufacturing plant.

Kindly provide the information to TI-Pakistan for further processing of this current procurement Prime Minister's Laptops Scheme.

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With Regards,


Sohail Muzaffar
Chairman

Copies forwarded for the information with request to take action under their mandate to:

1. Secretary to Prime Minister, Islamabad.
2. Director General, NAB, Rawalpindi.
3. Chairman, Prime Minister's Inspection Commission, Islamabad.
4. Registrar, Supreme Court of Pakistan, Islamabad.
5. Managing Director, PPRA, Islamabad.