# **MINUTES OF THE PSAA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

# **MEETING HELD ON 05.12.2018 AT 03.00 PM**

**AT ASSOCIATION’S OFFICE, KARACHI**

Present:

Mr. Tariq Haleem Chairman

Capt. Javed Iqbal Senior Vice Chairman

Mr. Mohammed A.Rajpar Executive Committee Member

Mr .M.Younus Vayani Executive Committee Member

Mr. Adeel Khalid Executive Committee Member

Mr. Adil Khan Executive Committee Member

Mr. Ayan Saeed Executive Committee Member

Mr. Amir Ali Jamal Secretary General

Mr. Syed Tahir Hussain Deputy Secretary

Regrets:

Mr. Jawed Iqbal Vice Chairman

Mr. Syed Mazhar Imam Hashmi Executive Committee Member

Mr. Abdul Rauf Executive Committee Member

A meeting of the Executive Committee was held on Wednesday, 05.12.2018 at 03.00 pm at the Association’s office, Karachi.

The meeting started with recitation by Mr. Mohammed A. Rajpar whereafter Mr. Tariq Haleem, Chairman welcomed all present to the meeting.

**Matters Arising:**

a) Mr. Adil Khan was reminded to send write-up regarding re-import of abandoned cargo due to unavailability of consignee which is currently a difficult and cumbersome procedure.

b) Mr. Syed Tahir Hussain informed regarding opening of account with Bank Al-Habib, Keamari Branch entailing biometrics of all Office Bearers. Mr. Amir Ali Jamal informed about requirement of submitting post election certified copies of SECP forms for which SECP will take some time. He added due to issues in online submission we have submitted forms manually to SECP.

**1) To confirm minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on 11.10.2018.**

The minutes of the above mentioned meeting were approved by all present.

**2) To discuss PSAA nominations on FBR, National Single Window Working Groups.**

Mr. Amir Ali Jamal informed FBR has nominated PSAA on two Working Groups. He was nominated on Law and Regulations Working Group and Mr.Adil Khan on Port Community System Working Group.

Mr. Amir Ali Jamal suggested since he has resigned from PSAA and since PSAA does not have an appropriate candidate to represent on Law and Regulations Group he suggested PSAA should recommend FBR to delete PSAA’s name from this Working Group.

Mr. Syed Tahir Hussain suggested we should remain part of the Working Group so as to know what legislation is being amended or proposed. Mr. Mohammed A. Rajpar seconded this suggestion.

It was decided to propose names of Mr. Adeel Khalid and alternatively Mr. Ayan Saeed on Law and Regulations Working Group.

It was decided to propose name of Mr. Syed Tahir Hussain instead of Mr. Amir Ali Jamal on Port Community System Working Group. Mr.Adil Khan will continue to be member of this Working Group.

**3) To discuss PIFFA’s proposal to DG Transit Trade for replacing containers’ security deposit with insurance cover.**

Mr. Amir Ali Jamal informed PIFFA on 11.09.2018 has submitted proposal to DG Transit Trade for replacing security deposit with insurance cover whereafter three meetings took place on 22.11.2018, 30.10,2018 and 07.11.2018 wherein PSAA comprehensively presented its point of view verbally followed by in writing on 25.09.2018. During the meetings PSAA also informed about CCP order barring PSAA from discussing any matter regarding charges/rates/tariff and submitted copy of order passed by CCP 22.06.2011 in this regard. He added PSAA should not attend more meetings on the same subject.

Mr. Tariq Haleem informed he has attended the meeting on 07.11.2018 wherein he has also informed regarding CCP order in his capacity as Chairman, PSAA. He added in his capacity as Vice President, FPCCI he informed that issues being faced are on Afghan side and Afghan Embassy officials are in contact with FPCCI in this regard.

Mr. Mohammed A. Rajpar informed PIFFA had written to us on 11.09.2018 in this regard to which PSAA replied on 25.09.2018 and is still awaiting cogent response from PIFFA.

All present decided not to attend any further meetings in this regard.

Mr. Amir Ali Jamal suggested to have a meeting with Office Bearers of APSA in order to devise common strategy on issues being faced by Shipping sector. Mr. Mohammed A. Rajpar seconded his suggestion. He added PSAA and APSA should also invite selected prominent journalists in order to present Shipping Lines/Agents point of view on Shipping charges as time and again at various fora voices are raised against Shipping Lines/Agents false, defamatory information, alleged blackmailing by Shipping Lines/Agents to Traders.

**4) To discuss resignation of Secretary General**

Mr. Amir Ali Jamal informed he has submitted resignation on health grounds on 27.11.2018 and requested to accept his resignation. He assured the participants even after his departure from PSAA he is available if he can be of any help to PSAA. He thanked all Office Bearers, Executive Committee and all Members for their outstanding co-operation extended to him during his tenure.

Mr. Tariq Haleem and Capt. Javed Iqbal suggested to give some time to consider this issue.

**5) Any other business with the permission of the Chair**

**i) Central Pass Issuing Office, Port Security Force**

Mr. Amir Ali Jamal informed CPIO invited PSAA for a meeting on 03.12.2018 to discuss certain issues faced by Ship Chandlers. However, PSAA was unable to attend this meeting. He added Capt. Zaheer of APSA informed him during meeting it transpired that Ships Agents and Ship Chandlers are Licensed by Model Customs Collectorate (Preventive) hence KPT has no jurisdiction upon them and KPT requested Ship Chandlers to approach Customs in this regard.

**ii) Model Customs Collectorate (Preventive)**

Mr. Amir Ali Jamal informed Assistant Collector (Licensing) has recently issued letters to several members directing them to furnish complete details of various charges being collected by them on the pretext of increasing complaints made by traders against Ships Agents allegedly in violation of Rule 419 read with Rules 100 and 101 of Customs Rules 2001.

It was decided to obtain legal opinion in this regard and reply to Assistant Collector (Licensing) on behalf of members wherein Customs should be informed that Rule 419 read with Rules 100 and 101 of Customs Rules 2001 pertains to Carrier’s liabilities towards Customs and does not cover commercial matters.

iii) **Berthing of Tankers at DB-2**

Capt.Javed Iqbal informed about frequent closures of Oil Piers due to depleted condition which is badly hampering berthing of tankers incurring heavy demurrage and suggested writing to KPT to allow berthing of tankers at DB- for discharging cargo.

Mr.Mohammed A.Rajpar inquired whether DB-2 has pipelines for accommodating tankers.

Capt.Javed Iqbal informed various tank terminals are interested to invest in laying pipelines at DB-2 provided KPT allows them to invest.

All present agreed to write to KPT in this regard.

There being no other business, the meeting terminated at 04.30 pm with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

  **Confirmed**

**Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Chairman:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**