**MINUTES OF THE PSAA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**MEETING HELD ON 28.12.2017 AT 03.30 PM**

**AT ASSOCIATION’S OFFICE, KARACHI**

Present:

Capt.Capt.Kamal A. Mahmoodi Senior Vice Chairman

Mr.M. Younus Vayani Vice Chairman

Mr.Asim Saeed Khan Executive Committee Member

Mr.Adil Khan Executive Committee Member

Mr.Adeel Khalid Executive Committee Member

Mr.Syed Mazhar Imam Hashmi Executive Committee Member

Mr.Amir Ali Jamal Secretary General

Mr.Syed Tahir Hussain Deputy Secretary

Regrets:

Mr.Mohammed A. Rajpar Chairman

Capt.M. Nouman Alvi Executive Committee Member

Mr.Bilal Barket Executive Committee Member

Capt.S.M. Farooque Executive Committee Member

A meeting of the Executive Committee was held at 03.30 p.m. on Thursday, 28.12.2017 at Association’s Office, Karachi.

**1) To confirm minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on 10.10.2017.**

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

**2) To discuss change of PSAA account from ABL to Bank Al-Habib Limited.**

Mr.Amir Ali Jamal informed PSAA is maintaining account with Allied Bank, New Queens Road Branch which has now introduced new guidelines for change of signatories which we used to do after every annual elections which has now become cumbersome. He sought approval of the Executive Committee to close account with Allied Bank open new account in another Bank.

The Executive Committee unanimously approved the same.

**3) To review Members’ Directory 2018.**

Mr.Amir Ali Jamal informed PSAA has so far secured 25 advertisements as compared to 52 advertisements secured for 2016 edition and requested Executive Committee members to use their good offices for securing more advertisements.

**4) Any other business with the permission of the Chair.**

**a) Issuance of NOC to Foreigners for visiting Port Area**

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Mr.Amir Ali Jamal informed issuance of NOC to foreigners for visiting Port Area is cumbersome. Shipping Agents has to obtained NOC from DG (Maritime Affairs), Sindh Home Department, SSP (Special Branch) and DNI. In this regard PSAA has written a letter dated 03.10.2017 to DG (Maritime Affairs) requesting him to convene a meeting of all stakeholders in order to streamline procedure. DG (Maritime Affairs). However, DG (Ports & Shipping) in its letter dated 13.11.2017 regretted to involve itself any such exercise.

**b) Mercantile Marine Department (MMD)**

Mr.Amir Ali Jamal informed PSAA has written a letter dated 19.10.2017 to Secretary, Maritime Affairs regarding issues pertaining to MMD especially difficulties in verification of vessel documents. The Secretary initially invited for a meeting on 21.12.2017 and assured he will pass on these issues to DG (Ports & Shipping) and hold another meeting in his presence of DG (Ports & Shipping) and concerned officers to sort these issues.

Mr.Amir Ali Jamal added now he has received another dated 28.12.2017 from Ministry of Maritime Affairs inviting PSAA for another follow-up meeting on 04.01.2018. He requested Capt.S.Kamal A.Mahmoodi, Mr.Younus Yayani, Mr.Khalid Wasim Khokhar, Mr.Syed Mazhar Imam Hashmi and Mr.Ronald Lobo to also attend second meeting in order to maintain continuity. All present agreed to this meeting.

**c) Central Pass Issuing Officer (CPIO)**

Mr.Amir Ali Jamal informed a letter was issued by CPIO on 15.12.2017 asking Shipping Agents to improve paper quality of letterhead, add serial number, watermarking of company name and use embossed seal whenever Shipping Agents write to PSF and requested PSAA to inform its members accordingly.

He added PSAA vide its letter dated 18.12.2017 regretted its inability to request its members as contents of CPIO’s letter were impractical whereafter CPIO for meeting on 21.12.2017 was held with CPIO and General Manager (Operations) wherein it was decided to incorporate proper reference number on letters.

Mr.Amir Ali Jamal further informed about another letter written by CPIO inviting for a meeting in order to discuss and revise rates for port entry pass in different categories wherein several stakeholders were present. He added it was decided in the meeting that CPIO will send a proper proposal in this regard for consideration

**d) Karachi Chamber of Commerce & Industry (KCCI)**

Mr.Amir Ali Jamal informed about invitation dated 12.12.2017 for a meeting on 03.01.2018. He added PSAA vide its email dated 22.12.2017 regret to attend the meeting for reason that PSAA earlier held meeting on 17.02.2016 which reached major conclusions under the presence of senior BMG leadership. However despite umpteen reminders from our side no minutes which was drafted by PSAA were issued.

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Thereafter President, KCCI called our Chairman requesting to attend the meeting. Therefore, he suggested PSAA as a matter of respect should attend this meeting. All present agreed to this suggestion.

**e) Implementation of let pass account at PQA**

Mr.Amir Ali Jamal informed PSAA is agitating since last several years about delay (40+ days) in finalization of port dues bills which also resulting in delayed balance refunds. We always emphasized upon PQA to adopt KPT billing system where bills are issued within a week time. It seems now there is a way forward as we have received a letter dated 29.11.2017 from PQA informing PSAA about opening of Let Pass Account on the pattern of KPT.

**f) Formation of Think Tank for improvement in Maritime Sector**

Mr.Amir Ali Jamal informed recently Secretary (Maritime Affairs) called our Chairman and informed about his desire to form a think tank for improvement in Maritime Sector and requested to suggest few names for this purpose.

The Chairman has suggested names of Mr.Adil Khan, Mr.Bilal-ur-Rehman, Capt.Javed Iqbal, Mr.Arslan Khan and Mr.Sohail Shams.

There being no other business the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair at 5:00 p.m.

**Confirmed**

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