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Subject: - CHECKING / SCANNING PROCEDURE FOR DIPLOMATIC
CLEARANCE

It has been reported that Indian diplomats / officials are being given special treatment at Wagha Border by the Custom officials. Following are few glaring observations:-

- a. The luggage of Indian diplomats leaving Pakistan from JCP Wahga (by foot / vehicles) is not being checked / scanned though scanner.
- b. The checking / scanning of luggage / official vehicles of diplomats entering / leaving JCP Wagha is being exempted by Pakistan Custom officials on the pretext of Diplomatic Protocol / immunity. This is not in order as per rules on the subject and has serious security implications.
- c. The guests / diplomatic servants of diplomats / staff members who travel to Pakistan on non-diplomatic passport are also being given some treatment and their luggage is exempted from scanning / checking.
- d. Pak Custom officials are found too eager for maintaining good relations with Indian diplomats.
- It is requested to adopt proper checking procedure in true letter and spirit at JCP Wagha as per prescribed SOP and at par with Indian checking procedure adopted for Pakistani diplomats / officials basing on the principle for reciprocity.

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