

## **RULING OF THE CHAIR**

## ADJOURNMENT MOTION

During sitting of the Senate held on 8<sup>th</sup> June, 2015 Senator Saleem Zia moved Adjournment Motion No. 1(116)/2015-M regarding involvement of IT company Axact in selling fake educational degrees. After hearing the mover, the Chairman ruled as under:-

"During the sitting of the Senate held on 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2015 (115<sup>th</sup> Session), the honourable Leader of the Opposition Senator Aitzaz Ahsan pointed out the media reports regarding the issuance of fake degrees by Axact, the IT company and stated that this was causing embarrassment and was a scandal that was defaming Pakistan. Therefore, the matter was referred to the concerned Standing Committee to give its report within one month. Under Rule 87(d) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate 2012, an Adjournment Motion shall not revive discussion on any matter including discussion on the admissibility of an Adjournment Motion which has been discussed by the Senate during the last four months.

Secondly, the matter is already pending before the Committee of the House which has been asked to report within one month and that one month is due to complete on the 19<sup>th</sup> of June, 2015. So, I think that proprietary demands that the Adjournment Motion be held not in order for the time being for the reasons that I have stated aforesaid."

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Chairman Senate

Senate Sitting dated 8<sup>th</sup> June, 2015 116<sup>th</sup> Session – Dictated in the House.