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To: All Member Publications

Sub: Observance of Reverence of the Verses of Holy Quran

Ahadis-e-Nabwi (SAWW) and Sacred Names Published

in Newspapers.

Dear Sirs,

We are in receipt of a letter dated February 27, 2015 from the Press Information Department, Islamabad which reads as under:

. PAKISTAN NEWSPAPERS SOCIET

" No.F.01(44)/2013-HP

Islamabad, the February 27, 2015

Sub: Observance of Reverence of the Verses of Holy Quran Ahadis-e-Nabwi (SAWW) and Sacred Names Published In Newspapers.

It has been observed that the verses and translation of Holy Quran are being published in the newspapers which is highly deplorable and violation of existing law regarding offences relating to "Defiling, of Holy Qur'an" vide Chapter XV, Section-295-B of Pakistan Penal Code which is reproduced as under:

- "Whoever willfully defiles, damages or desecrates a copy of the Holy Qur'an of extract there from or uses it in any derogatory manner or for any unlawful purpose shall be punishable with imprisonment for life"
- It is once again requested to instruct all member publications to avoid publication of such sacred materials and to observe & preserve sanctity of the Holy texts in the newspapers and periodicals.

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Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

-s/d-

(Dr. Tanvir A. Tahir) Executive Director APNS