

MOST IMMEDIATE
BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

Ministry of Foreign Affairs
(Americas Division)

Subject:- Training Course on IED by US Expert at Pakistan Customs Academy Karachi on 5 December, 2010.

The US Embassy is conducting a seminar under the Global Shield Project of the World Customs Organization to improve international cooperation on the interdiction of material (Ammonium Nitrate) used in the preparation of IEDs. Copy of the diplomatic note received from the US Embassy is enclosed.

2. FBR is requested to coordinate with Ministry of Commerce and other relevant departments to ensure participation of the concerned personnel.


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The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, and has the honor to request the participation of a Pakistani military subject matter expert on Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs) at a seminar for Pakistani customs officials being held at the Pakistan Customs Academy, Customs House, Karachi on 5 December 2010 as part of the Global Shield project.

Global Shield is a six-month pilot project of the World Customs Organization to improve international cooperation on the interdiction of material used in IEDs.

The purpose of the December 5 seminar is to introduce Pakistani customs officials to the Global Shield project, to appropriate technology, and to the detection of precursor chemicals used to manufacture explosives. The Pakistani military subject matter expert would give presentations on the general description of IEDs, the precursor materials used to make IEDs, and safety precautions for handling precursor material.

The U.N. Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) is sponsoring this two-day event and Pakistani military attendance, as the Pakistani repository of expertise on issue of IEDs, would be crucial to the success of introducing Pakistani civilian government officials to the importance of countering the IED threat within Pakistan. As such, the US Government will finance the travel and lodging expenses of the subject matter expert to Karachi for this seminar.

DIPLOMATIC NOTE

The Embassy point of contact for this seminar will be Border Officer Joshua Polacheck who can be reached at the Embassy on 051-208-1145 or 0308-555-6021.

The Embassy of the United States of America avails itself of the opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan the assurances of its highest consideration.

Embassy of the United States of America,
Islamabad, November 12, 2010.

