

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT**  
**PRESS RELEASE**

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**STANDING COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATION MET UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF CAPT. (RETD.) MUHAMMAD SAFDAR, MNA TO DISCUSS THE PREVENTION OF ELECTRONIC CRIMES BILL, 2015 AND ISSUE OF GREY TRAFFICKING.**

The Committee discussed the "Prevention of Electronic Crimes Bill, 2015" in detail and unanimously passed the Bill.

Earlier, this Bill was presented before the Committee for discussion however; the Committee observed that there were repetitions and redundancy in the draft of "Prevention of Electronic Crimes Bill, 2015" therefore; it was referred to a Committee of legal & technical experts for its re-drafting. The Committee of experts restructured/finalized the said Bill by using their wits for its presentation before the Standing Committee on IT.

The Committee also discussed the issue of Grey Trafficking in detail and appreciated efforts of the Ministry/PTA for curtailing illegal flow of 400 million minutes and saving Government Exchequer. The PTA is working on further prompt decrease of grey trafficking to zero level in next 3-4 Months. The Committee opined that NAB and FIA may initiate strict action against Grey Traffickers and recover the amount illegally earned during and before the Court's stay period.

Major (R) Tahir Iqbal, Mr. Muhammad Tallal Chaudry, Mehar Ishtiaq Ahmad, Ms. Farhana Qamar, Ms. Musart Rafique Mahesar, Ms. Zehra Wadood Fatemi, Mian Muhammad Farooq, Syed Ali Raza Abidi MNAs attended the meeting.

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**(MALIK NAEEM SHAFI)**  
Secretary Committee