

ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

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REBUTTAL

With reference to the news captioned **“Troops to play role in transmission of poll results”** published in the daily “Dawn” dated 9th July, 2018 and editorial published in Dawn news on 10th July, 2018 with caption **“Dubious poll role for security forces”**.

2. It is clarified that security personnel shall have no role in result transmission. The Presiding Officer is only responsible to transmit results after tabulation through RTS to the concerned Returning Officer and the Election Commission of Pakistan. Security personnel have only such role as per para-14 of the Code of Conduct that they shall provide peaceful environment at the polling station so that the Presiding Officer can easily transmit election results in presence of candidates or their agents. Therefore, the impression generated through news caption and editorial regarding any role of security personnel in result transmission is categorically dispelled / rebutted.
