## **ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**

## PRESS RELEASE

Islamabad, the 1<sup>st</sup> August, 2018.- The Election Commission of Pakistan has drawn attention to sub-clause (c) of Clause (3) of Article 106 of the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, which provides that the members to fill seats reserved for women which are allocated to a Province shall be elected through Proportional Representation System of Political Parties' lists of candidates on the basis of total number of general seats won by each political party from the Province concerned.

- 2. The aforesaid provisions of the Constitution further provides that the total number of general seats shall include the independent returned candidate or candidates who may duly join such political party within three (3) days of the publication in the official Gazette of the names of the returned candidates.
- 3. Accordingly the following procedure shall be adopted:
  - An independent returned candidate may join any political party, if he or she so desires, through a written consent to the leader of the political party for joining his/her party by 3<sup>rd</sup> August, 2019.
  - ii. The party leader of the political party shall inform the Election Commission of such joining of an independent candidate through a letter to be addressed to the Secretary Election Commission along with written consent of the candidate on an affidavit stating that he or she is joining a particular political party voluntarily and without any coercion (sample attached).
  - iii. The letter along with affidavit can be submitted in the office of Additional Director General (Elections) at ECP Secretariat located at Constitution Avenue Sector G-5/2, Islamabad during office hours by 3<sup>rd</sup> August, 2019.

## **AFFIDAVIT**

I
bearing CNIC
been elected as a member of Provincial Assembly from as an
indpendent candidate I have joined
voluntarily, and without any coercion, I may be treated as member of
(Party) henceforth, I shall follow the party discipline and
constitution of the party.
Signature of Candidate
Sworn/declared on solemn affirmation before this day of by
who is personally known to me/whoe has been identified by who is
personally known to me.

Oath Commissioner

attestation