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**Honorable Mian Muhammad Shahbaz Sharif**

Prime Minister  
Prime Minister Secretariat,  
Islamabad.

**Subject: Suspension of Gas/RLNG to Export Industry**

Honorable Prime Minister,

The textile industry has achieved a new record in terms of exports reaching nearly \$ 20 billion from \$ 12.5 billion just two years ago. This fantastic growth was enabled by implementation of Regionally Competitive Energy Tariff (RCET), investment of over \$ 5 billion in expansion and establishment of 100 new textile units resulting in enhanced export capacity of \$ 500 million per month.

It is inexplicable that the exporting sector which has the capacity to deliver over \$ 2.0 billion in exports per month in exports is being denied energy / gas and consequently exports will be significantly lower, much to the detriment of Pakistan's economy.

Gas/ RLNG to the industry has been suspended from July 1st to July 8<sup>th</sup>, following that, there would be Eid holidays from July 9th to 14th, shutdown of 15 days will translate to a loss of at least \$ 1 billion. More than 50% of output will be lost in this month, with the very real risk of losing orders on a permanent basis as well as loss of repeat business due to delays in delivery of orders.

Textile exports were expected to increase to \$25 billion plus in the coming fiscal year. If this momentum is lost due to energy supply and cost constraints, Pakistan will be forced to seek additional \$ 6 billion in loans from abroad which under the circumstances may not even be possible. Textiles have repeatedly delivered their commitments and proven that they are a viable and long-term solution towards economic stability.

Under these circumstances, we request that the gas/ RLNG supply of export-oriented industry may kindly be restored immediately.

With Best Regards,

Yours Faithfully,



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