A meeting of the Standing Committee on Interior and Narcotics Control was held today on 21st January, 2014 at 02:00 pm in Committee Room No. 07, Parliament House, Islamabad under the Chairmanship of Rana Shamim Ahmad Khan, MNA to deliberate on The Protection of Pakistan Ordinance 2013 (Ordinance No.IX of 2013). The following Members attended the meeting;

i. Syed Javed Ali Shah MNA
ii. Dr. Ibadullah MNA
iii. Sheikh Muhammad Akram MNA
iv. Syed Iftikhar-ul-Hassan MNA
v. Ms. Tahmina Daultana MNA
vi. Mr. Nauman Islam Sheikh MNA
vii. Mr. Ehsan-ur-Rehman Mazari MNA
viii. Ms. Naeema Kishwer Khan MNA
ix. Dr. Arif Alvi MNA
x. Syed Asif Hasnain MNA
xi. Sardar Nabeel Ahmed Gabol MNA
xii. Mr. Sher Akbar Khan MNA
xiii. Mian Shahid Hussain Khan Bhatti MNA
xiv. Mr. Essa Noori MNA
xv. Makhdoom Syed Ali Hassan Gillani MNA

2. The meeting commenced with recitation from the Holy Quran. The Standing Committee strongly condemned the recent terrorist attacks in Rawalpindi, Bannu and Peshawar and also attack on the News team of Express TV and on Mufti Usman in Karachi. The Standing Committee also took serious notice of the burglary in the house of renowned journalist Mr. Saleem Safi and directed that the culprits be taken to task as early as possible.

3. The Standing Committee deliberated on The Protection of Pakistan Ordinance 2013 (Ordinance No.IX of 2013) and passed it with overwhelming majority, although a few members from PTI and MQM dissented with the Bill.

4. The Chairman opined that the Bill is of utmost importance and will go a long way in curbing heinous crimes against the people of Pakistan, and thanked the members of the Standing Committee for the passage of the Bill.

5. The meeting was thereafter adjourned.

(SYED M. JAWAD MURTAZA NAQVI)
D.S(C-II)/ Secretary Committee