ORDER SHEET

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, KARACHI

Spl. Crl. Bail Application No. 19 of 2016.

Date

Order with signature of Judge

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29. 02. 2016

Mr. Aqil Ahmed, Advocate for applicant.

Mr. Ashiq Ali Anwar Rana, Spl. Prosecutor Customs.

Mr. Akbar Ahmed, I.O.

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Through instant application, applicant seeks post arrest in Crime No. ASO-100/2015-HQ dated 18.08.2015 registered by MCC Preventive Custom House, Karachi, under Section 2(s), 178 punishable under Clause (8) of Section 156(1) of the Customs Act, 1969.

2. Precisely, relevant facts are that applicant is having business of cargo and his office booked two shipments at Lahore, to be delivered in Karachi, while investigation officer seized both the both shipments and found same were containing banned items as well it was surfaced that these shipments were smuggled from abroad. Admittedly his role is cargo office, according to learned counsel for applicant he was not aware about the articles available in that shipments and that is not practice of the cargo officer to open the same; applicant has provided the name of the person who booked these shipments as Zeeshan and Ayub at Lahore alongwith CNIC of Ayub.

Investigation officer present contends that he has not yet contacted to NADRA office with regard to present status of that CNIC as well matter is pending for adjudication. Accordingly, the applicant's role is that he received two shipments which contained banned items; since one cannot be detained for indefinite period; applicant is not required for recovery of any item, maximum punishment is six years; matter is pending for adjudication. Accordingly, he is admitted to post arrest bail in the sum of Rs. 100,000/- (Rupees One Hundred Thousand only) and P.R. bond in the like to amount to the satisfaction of the trial Court.

JUDGE

Sajid