## ORDER SHEET IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI C.P. No.D-1912 of 2020

ORDER WITH SIGNATURE OF JUDGE.

For hearing of main case

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2021

**DATE** 

Mr. Muhammad Rehan Thaheem, advocate for petitioner

Mr. Shahbaz Sahutra, Special Prosecutor NAB

Mr. Irfan Memon, DAG

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Petitioner Muhammad Suleman son of Muhammad Yaseen is present on interim pre-arrest bail granted to him by this Court vide order dated 17.03.2020. Special Prosecutor NAB, submits that the petitioner is facing NAB Reference No.03/2020, pending before the Accountability Court No.II, Sindh at Karachi. Learned Special Prosecutor NAB pointed out that now all the bail applications in these matters shall be heard by the learned trial Court as an Ordinance XXIII of 2021, called "the National Accountability (Second Amendment) Ordinance XXIII, 2021", has been promulgated on 07.10.2021, whereby under Section 7, powers to deal with the bail matters have been conferred upon the Courts having been established under NAO 1999.

In the view of above legal position, learned counsel for the petitioner prayed that interim pre-arrest bail already granted to the petitioner may be converted to protective bail to enable the petitioner to surrender before the learned trial Court. Learned Special Prosecutor NAB has recorded no objection for conversion of instant petition to the protective bail.

In the view of above, the instant constitution petition is converted to protective bail. Without touching the merits of the case, petitioner *Muhammad Suleman son of Muhammad Yaseen* is granted **protective bail** for a period of **10 days** from today against the same surety already furnished by the petitioner in this constitution petition, to enable him to surrender before learned trial Court. It is made clear that this order shall cease to have its effect after expiry of **10 days** or when the petitioner surrenders before the learned trial Court. In case petitioner fails to surrender before the trial Court in the aforesaid period, his bail bond shall stand forfeited automatically.

The instant constitution petition is accordingly disposed of.

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