OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER OF POLICE: DELHI

No. 209/PRO/PHQ, DATED DELHI, THE 2/03/2017.

To

The Editor,
The Indian Express,
Express Building, Bahadur Shah
Zafar Marg, ITO, New Delhi.

Subject: Rejoinder with respect to the News item published in 'The Indian Express' dated 2.03.2017 captioned "Patrol religious places every morning, keep an eye out for meat"

Sir,

Your kind attention is invited to the news item published in 'The Indian Express' dated 2.3.2017 captioned "Patrol religious places every morning, keep an eye out for meat". In the 2nd para, your reporter has quoted that in a recent meeting with officers at PHQ, CP Delhi has issued direction that patrolling staff would visit religious places in the morning to remove any objectionable thing like beef or pork. The report is misleading and is projecting the things in an inappropriate manner.

The reporter of the news item did not verify the facts before publishing the same in the newspaper and the article seems to be based on incorrect/incomplete information.

The fact is that no such meeting, repeat no such meeting, was held, as reported in the news item and no such specific direction was given. Only a circular has been issued on good practices being followed by some other police organizations after a study of their working.

In view of the above stated facts, it is requested that this rejoinder may be published in order to put the matter in proper perspective with the same prominence for your readers.

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