OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE : DELHI.

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To

The Editor,
Pioneer, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg,
ITO, New Delhi.

Subject: - Rejoinder with respect to the News item published in "The Pioneer" dated 12.07.2017, captioned **"*Tipped off by CIA, ISIS operative nabbed at IGIA"***.

Sir,

Kindly refer to an article in your newspaper, Delhi Edition, dated 12.07.2017 titled *"Tipped off by CIA, ISIS operative nabbed at IGIA"*.

In this article, carried on the first page, it has been reported *"After being tipped off by America's Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) last week that ISIS operative Shahjahan Velluva Kandy would be returning to India after staying in Syria and Turkey, the Delhi Police Special Cell arrested him at the IGI Airport, police said on Tuesday"*.

The report further mentions *"A senior police official told The Pioneer that on sustained interrogation, Shahjahan disclosed that this was his second attempt to sneak into Syria via Turkey's porous border to participate in terror activities"*.

With regard to this article, this is to bring to your kind notice that it has been wrongly reported by the concerned reporter that information was received from US Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). It is also informed that in the said news item, it has been mentioned that Shahjahan was arrested from IGI Airport on Tuesday, which is also factually incorrect. It is further clarified that no police officer has spoken to Mr. Souvik Mitra, the said reporter, and in fact, it would have been better if the reporter had taken an official version before reporting about a sensitive matter of this nature.

It is requested that a clarification to this effect may kindly be carried out prominently for the benefit of the readers.

Yours faithfully,

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