

JOINT ACTION COMMITTEE

March 21, 2022

The News Editor,
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Dear Sir,

Please publish the following news item issued by the Joint Action Committee and oblige:

Press Release

In a statement issued today, the Media Joint Action Committee has taken a serious note of the false allegations made by the Prime Minister against media in his public address on Sunday. Mr. Imran Khan alleged that media houses have been bought by political parties and some are also being funded from foreign sources. In effect, this amounts to accusing the media of corruption.

The statement said JAC challenges the Prime Minister to prove these scandalous allegations. Being in the Government he has the resources to Investigate and prove it.

The Joint Action Committee asked the Prime Minister to understand that false and baseless statements about media houses will not serve any purpose. Media and journalists are performing their professional responsibilities guaranteed by the constitution. The JAC requested Mr. Imran Khan not to make such statements for political point scoring.

The joint statement further stated that If proof can not be provided for these allegations within a reasonable time, JAC reserves its right to approach the honourable judiciary for relief against these scandalous, false and defamatory allegations.

Issued on behalf of:

All Pakistan Newspapers Society (APNS),
Pakistan Broadcasters Association (PBA),
Council of Pakistan Newspaper Editors (CPNE),
Pakistan Federal Union of Journalists (PFUJ),
Association of Electronic Media Editors and News Directors (AEMEND)