

## Press Release:

### PRGMEA concerned over custom agents strike at the airport

(Karachi March 14, 2012) The Central Chairman Pakistan Readymade Garments Manufacturers & Exporters Association (PRGMEA), Mr. Shehzad Salim has shown serious concern over the ongoing custom agents strike over increase goods handling charges at the Quaid-e-Azam International Airport. He stressed the relevant authorities to resolve this issue at the earliest because garment exporters air-shipments are getting delayed and international buyers are losing their patience with Pakistani suppliers. Our buyers are now constantly complaining and are asking why there is some problem or the other in dealing with Pakistan? They state that it is much easier working with other countries such as Bangladesh and Vietnam. If our situation does not improve, we fear that in near future we will have no other option but to relocate our business. The exporters are already facing multiple issues and don't need new issues popping up everyday; it's simply too much to bear, he added.