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The Chairperson,
Public Service Commission,
Suva,
Fiji.
11th August 2008

Dear Sir,

I wish to inform the Public Service Commission of the lies that the Director Immigration had said on the 6 o'clock news on 9th August in his interview regarding a particular issue. Out of all that he said, only two things were true:

1. he said that he chased the group out – **yes he did;** and
2. he said that he was told that he will be kicked out of the office – **yes, he was told.**

Now his lies:

1. he said that Mr. Feroz Gulam Mohammed had stated that he was the secretary of Nasinu Muslim League – **no he didn't.** On the 4th of this month we had a meeting with the Director Immigration in regards to one foreign Scholar's work contract. I was chosen to speak on behalf of the group. Together with me were the former president and vice president of Nasinu Muslim League. Representing the Immigration department was the Director Immigration and Principal Immigration Officer. At all times I had maintained that we are the suspended members of the branch. At no time during this meeting was Feroz Gulam Mohammed present.
2. he said that he was not abusive – **well he definitely was.** On the 7th of this month we again went to the Immigration department regarding the same issue. Accompanied with me were four other people (Mr. Feroz Gulam Mohammed, Mr. Iqbal, Mr. Yunus, and Maulana Imran Patel). A letter was given to us from the Labour Department which was to be given to the Director Immigration. On our arrival, both the Director and the Principal Immigration office were not available. We were advised that we were to see one other senior officer and Mr. Yogen, who were given instructions to handle this matter. Mr. Feroz and Mr. Yunus went into the cubical to discuss this matter. I, Mr. Iqbal and Mr. Imran were sitting outside the cubical some two meters away from where the meeting was taking place. Because of the fact that the cubical has glasses all around and we were sitting just a few meters away, we were in a good position to see and hear what these gentlemen were talking about. They had a small discussion on the issue and it was concluded that we should leave the matter there and the senior officer will write a submission to the Director explaining the situation, as he believed that more time should be given to Imran Patel for his removal. Just as the meeting was about to finish, the Director Immigration entered the office and saw us sitting. He approached the cubical where the meeting was taking place and opened the door. The first thing he said and I quote "is it in regards to the same issue". Upon getting an affirmative response he said and I quote "prepare a deportation order and remove him out of the country now". At this point Mr. Yunus responded and I quote "director listen, we are here for a different reason", and Director Immigration replied and I quote "you people always come with different reasons". He started to close the door and move away from the cubical saying and I quote "just prepare a deportation order now and remove him out of the country and also

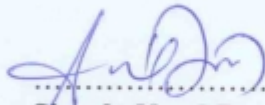
kick these people out of the office". At this point Mr. Yunus replied and I quote "director, if you have the same attitude, very soon you might be kicked out of the office". By now the director had almost moved about 5 meters away from the cubical. Upon listening to what Yunus had said, the Director shouted on top of his voice and I quote "fuck you, will you get me kicked out of this office". He entered the cubical and started manhandling Feroz and Yunus in front of the two officers. The Director at all times was shouting that the office belongs to him and for us to get out of the office. Mr. Yunus was also angry and was also shouting back and I quote "this is a public office and you are our servant". We pulled Mr. Yunus out of the office and took him near the elevator. The director was standing on the door and saying for us to get out. Mr. Yunus replied to the Director and I quote "you are taking money from Vinod Patel people and giving them visas, and here you are trying to kick this poor person out of the country". Upon hearing this, the Director went quite and quickly rushed back into his office. There was a big crowd gathered outside the office. Just after that we left.

Sir, assessing the situation, any logical mind can conclude that there was abuse of authority and breach of code of conduct of a civil servant. The manner in which the Director had behaved was totally unacceptable, immoral, unscrupulous, disgusting and unmerited. Listening to the last statement of Mr. Yunus, I believe that corruption is also prevalent in the department.

I wish for your bureaucracy to conduct a full scale investigation as far as the behavior of the Director Immigration is concerned and look into the affairs of the Immigration Department as there are signs of official fraud. To make your work easier, I request that you interview the other senior immigration officer and Yogen of the Immigration Department as they were present when this situation transpired.

Sir, this issue is of national interest, and it would in the best interest of all that it is addressed quickly and fairly, before any more damage is done to the good work that the Interim administration has brought to our beloved country. I am also available at all time to come forward and give my statement under oath.

Thank you.



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