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**HEARING OF SHAHID MASOOD'S COMPLAINT AGAINST INFORMATION  
MINISTER ADJOURNED TILL APRIL 29, 2016**

Council of Complaints, Islamabad in its 34<sup>th</sup> meeting held under the Chair of Prof. Ms. Shamim Humayun adjourned the hearing of complaint of Dr. Shahid Masood, Group Executive Director, ARY Digital Network, against Federal Information Minister Pervaiz Rashid on Shahid Masood's request to submit the written arguments on the maintainability of his complainant till next hearing.

Hearing of the complaint filed on behalf of Federal Finance Minister, Senator Ishaq Dar against ARY News channel was also adjourned on the request of the defendant after the complainant's legal counsel agreed to accord time to the news channel for furnishing its defense.

The complaint filed by Ms. Farah Razzaq, Regional Director Punjab Small Industries Corporation against Dunya News channel for allegedly airing defamatory news was adjourned with directions to produce orders of the Hon'ble Lahore High Court regarding the quashment of inquiry.

Similarly, the complaint filed by Ms. Haleema against some TV channels for airing defamatory news reports on a sub-judice matter without knowing the facts of the case and waiting for final orders of the court was adjourned amid non receipt of summon due to change of address of the complainant.

The proceedings of the Council of Complaints have been adjourned till 29.04.2016 at 3pm.

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