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ISLAMABAD – December 7, 2009: The Securities and Exchange Commission of

Pakistan (SECP) registered <u>189</u> companies during the month of Nov., 2009. The total corporate portfolio as on 30<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2009 comprises of 54,166 registered

companies.

Total 189 companies incorporated during Nov., 2009, comprise of one public unlisted

companies, 175 private companies, 11 single member companies and 2 association

not for profit under section 42 of the Companies Ordinance, 1984 (the 'Ordinance').

Total authorized capital and paid up capital of companies, incorporated during Nov,

2009 amounted to Rs. 4,895 million and Rs. 189.74 million respectively. During Nov,

2009, number of new incorporation was highest at Lahore, whereby 73 companies

have been registered, followed by Islamabad registering 56 companies, Karachi with

49 companies. Peshawar, Faisalabad Multan, and Quetta registered 5, 3, 2 and 1

company respectively. Major share of new incorporation was witnessed in the

services sector comprising of 30 companies, followed by 23 in trading, 19 in

information technology, 17 in construction, and 14 in food and beverages sector.

During the month, the Commission granted license to 1 association not for profit

under Section 42 of the Ordinance, having social services objects.

Of these 189 companies registered during Nov. 2009, 12 companies have foreign

investment. Foreign investors in these companies belong to diversified countries

around the globe including Australia, U.S.A., Russia, Germany, China, Italy,

Turkey, Bangladesh, Iraq and Lebanon. Foreign investment has been made in 4

companies in trading sector, 2 companies each in transport, information technology

and services sector and one company each in food and beverages and agricultural

farming sector.

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