India summons Pakistan High Commissioner and conveys strong concern on the release of Zakir ur Rehman Lakhvi

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High Commissioner of Pakistan Abdul Basit was summoned to the Ministry of External Affairs by Foreign Secretary Sujatha Singh today afternoon.

The Foreign Secretary conveyed strong concern at the lack of effective action by Pakistan's Prosecuting authorities after the Anti-Terrorism-Court ordered the release of internationally designated terrorist Zakir ur Rehman Lakhvi, whose involvement in the Mumbai terror attack is well known.

It was once again conveyed that we expect the Government of Pakistan to abide by the commitment conveyed to us, including at the highest level, that expeditious steps would be taken to bring all those responsible for the heinous acts of terrorism in Mumbai to justice and that it was extremely disturbing that despite the assurances we have been receiving over the last 6 years, and the recent tragedies in Pakistan, there seems to be no end in sight to Pakistan remaining a safe-haven for well known terror groups.

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