

Raof Hasan's ties with Indian journalists are not 'Illegal': PTI

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Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) Chairman Barrister Gohar Khan has stated that Raof Hasan has done “nothing illegal”. Yesterday, it was revealed that PTI spokesperson Raof Hasan allegedly maintained communication with Indian journalists, to further an “anti-state agenda.” According to the reports, foreign and Indian lobbies have been “actively supporting” the PTI founder Imran Khan’s “anti-state agenda.” Speaking to the media outside the Election Commission Pakistan (ECP), Barrister Gohar defended Hasan, describing him as an educated individual who has consistently written articles. “Journalists often have connections with other journalists. Raof Hasan has not engaged in any wrongdoing,” he asserted. Raof Hasan was revealed to have maintained WhatsApp communications, first with American Ryan Grim and later with Indian journalist Karan Thapar. On November 19, 2022, Raof Hasan, in his capacity as PTI’s Media

Coordinator, officially reached out to Indian journalist Karan Thapar. In their initial WhatsApp exchange, Thapar inquired about a potential interview with PTI senior leader Shah Mahmood Qureshi. On November 24, 2022, Karan Thapar shared his YouTube interview with Raof Hasan, which included comments by Rana Banerji, former Secretary of India's Research and Analysis Wing (RAW), regarding Pakistan's current Chief of Army Staff (COAS) General Asim Munir.