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Re - Foreign Remittances for Terrorism

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Dear Gotabaya,

Congratulations on your continuous success, as a result of your sheer focus, dedication and commitment.

Re – foreign monies, which may have come in for terrorism, under the infamous Amnesty of 2003, which I succeeded in getting repealed retrospectively in 2004, declarations had been made by 51,805 Declarants.

Of these Declarants, even 10% would be over 5000 Declarants, who would have made foreign remittances, *some most certainly in connection with the terrorism*. These remittances were under the Amnesty of the UNF Government, which had signed a Peace Accord.

Then Exchange Controller informed me, that in one instance, US \$ 2 Mn. in cash had been deposited to an Account at Hatton National Bank by a person, who had got approval under the Amnesty, as a Declarant, and the Bank, as a precaution, had informed the Controller.

In terms of Inland Revenue Act No. 28 of 1979 Section 158(10) / Inland Revenue Act No. 38 of 2000 Section 178 (10) / Inland Revenue Act No. 10 of 2006 Section 209(10), the Inland Revenue Department is statutorily required to disclose foreign income / remittances / debts / assets / loans of any Declarant to the Exchange Controller for warranted action.

Even though the then Exchange Controller, in terms of the provisions of the Exchange Control Act, had called for such informations from the Inland Revenue Department, its Officers *had been evading to forward such informations*.

In the circumstances, I filed a Writ Application in the Court of Appeal, seeking Writs of Mandamus for such informations, among other, to be communicated by the Inland Revenue Department to the Exchange Controller.

Attorney General's Department has agreed with the stance I have taken, and is trying to bring about a resolution with the Department, *giving an undertaking to transmit such informations and to report to Court*.

I believe there would be a volume of valuable information relating to those involved in terrorism financing, in violation of the UN Convention of 2001, and which come under the Convention on the Suppression of Terrorist Financing Act No. 25 of 2005.

You should be able to get this valuable informations through the Central Bank / Exchange Controller, *requiring the above informations to be transmitted forthwith* by the Inland Revenue Department.

Kind regards,

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