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Subject: Re: Nihal Sri Ameresekere - Hilton Hotel Case
To: Ranjan Sriskantha <srislaw@gmail.com>

Dear Mr. Sriskantha,

Your e-mail re this matter of a resignation from the Hilton board (as published in our last issue) is noted.

I will pass your e-mail on to our political columnist, Rasika Jayakody, with instructions regarding any clarification that may need to be published in the *Sunday Observer*.

I am not clear as to what you mean by "... put you on Notice.." (re your 'full statement'). "On Notice" for what intended purpose?

For your information, Mr. Jayakody is not 'Political Editor, *Sunday Observer*', but, rather, Deputy Editor, *Daily News*, our daily sister newspaper.

yours faithfully,

Lakshman Gunasekara.
(Lakshman F. B. Gunasekara)
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Mr. Rasika Jayakody
Political Editor, Sunday Observer

Mr. Lakshman Gunasekera
Chief Editor, Sunday Observer



We are a group of Lawyers, Accountants, etc, who wish to protect Mr. Nihal Sri Ameresekere, who has rendered yeoman service in fighting fraud and Corruption. No other has proven so many Cases in Court saving colossal sums of moneys for the State. Some of the instances where State moneys have been saved by his public spirited actions are:

- Tax Amnesty write-off prevented Rs.200, 000 Million
- Sri Lanka Insurance plus Lanka Hospitals Rs. 75,000 Million
- Colombo Port Bunkering Facility & Monopoly Rs.15, 000 Million
- Citi Bank Oil Hedging Claim Rs.30,000 Million

Mr. Ameresekere has given full disclosure with facts and figures supported by documents in a series of books published him, including on the Hilton, which you should have read before questionably writing false reports. An incomplete statement, in fact and law, is a false statement.

By your such news report you have caused damages to Mr. Ameresekere and endeavoured to bring him into public humiliation, ridicule and odium.

We attach a full Statement of Facts titled – **'TRUTH OVERCOMES FALSEHOODS'** to be published.

You will realize that the Rs. 300 Mn., had been an offer against Rs. 2,100 Mn., due to Mr. Ameresekere in December 2014 as professional compensation at normal market rates, and by no means is 'staggering' as you have stated.

On the other hand, Rs. 87,000 Mn., write-off on a Foreign Loan guaranteed by the Government, under and in terms of an Agreement signed by the Treasury on behalf of the Government with Mr. Ameresekere would no doubt be 'staggering' !

Please have the abovementioned full Statement of Facts made known to the public, without ridiculing a person, who has done so much for the public good, incurring his own costs and efforts.

The above is a legally binding contractual matter relating to one of his projects and not a public interest action.

Please refer to Blog www.nihalsriameresekere-hiltonhotelcase.com

Yours truly,

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