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Non Resident Tamils of Sri Lanka (NRT-SL)

Dear all,

We are certain that you will be fully acquainted with the progressing political developments in Sri Lanka. There was considerable hope and expectation for wide ranging socio-economic-political change following Presidential election on January 8, 2015. Abolition of the Executive Presidency, reformation of the electoral system and reaching political solutions to the burgeoning ethnic conflict was the platform on which the present Government was elected to power.

The coalition National Unity Government formed with the two main parties- SLFP and UNP have completed two of its 5-years term. In the emerging and usual pattern of the mid-term politics of the political parties preparing to focus on the next Presidential and General elections, we think it is important we have discussion on the issues: (i) Progress made by the Government on democratisation, rule of law and the expectations of the people (ii) Current state of the Constitutional Reform process (iii) UNHRC resolution on Sri Lanka and the role of the Non Resident Tamils. iv) The positive role the Non Resident Tamils could play to strengthen the democratisation process.

In this regard, we are working to further strengthen our engagement with all the political parties in Sri Lanka, social organisations, Sri Lankan Government, and the British Government. Your participation and contribution to plan our future working program is important to spearhead our work. As such, we have planned a meeting of our friends and colleagues and the details of which are given below.

In order to meet the cost of hire of venue and provision of meal, we appeal for contribution of £15 per person for the event.

We need knowledge of persons attending for catering arrangements, and shall be pleased to receive your confirmation of acceptance of this invitation by email on or before 16/05/2017.

Venue: La Masala 436 Alexandra Ave, Harrow HA2 9TW

Date: Sunday, 21/05/2017 Time: 10:30AM to 2:30 PM

We earnestly request your presence and participation.

With kind regards,

V.Sivalingam

On behalf of NRTSL (UK)