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PRESS RELEASE

Tamils Against Genocide (TAG) has in its possession a 100-page long sworn affidavit from a Senior Sri Lankan Army (SLA) Commander who is in hiding, and is seeking asylum in an undisclosed country. Due to the sensitive nature of the document and the potential threat to the Commander's security, TAG would like to keep the details of the document and the modalities involved in obtaining the document confidential.

The affidavit contains credible evidence that can be used in a court of law to establish that several officials of the Sri Lanka Military hierarchy are culpable of committing war crimes during the war against the Liberation Tigers.

TAG expects to use the affidavit in its pursuit to file civil and/or criminal charges, in the U.S. and through its partner organizations in Europe, against Sri Lanka military and political officials alleged to have committed war crimes, crimes against humanity, genocide and torture.

SLA Commander's affidavit contains incriminating information in several areas including:

- Description of chain of command, how documentation procedures required by rules of war were eliminated, and details surrounding orders to execute hardcore LTTE cadres, including those who surrendered.
- Details of people involved in the torture and killing of LTTE leader Pirapaharan's 12year old son, and his five body guards who surrendered to the SLA during May 2009.
- Order from the top to burn bodies to eliminate evidence.
- Plans to be carried out through Sri Lanka Army in establishing Sinhala settlements in Tamil areas.
- Details of Colombo sponsored assassination squads in Colombo, and person(s) in charge.

TAG will be willing to provide the affidavit to other independent organizations which can demonstrate serious intent in pursuing legal action against Colombo officials.

TAG appreciates the support provided by the sponsors and the many well-wishers.

Signed:

Director TAG