UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

KASIPPILLAI MANOHARAN, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v. Civil Action No. 11-235 (CKK)

PERCY MAHENDRA ("MAHINDA") RAJAPAKSA,

Defendant.

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PLAINTIFFS' STATUS REPORT REGARDING EFFORTS TO EFFECTUATE SERVICE OF PROCESS ON DEFENDANT RAJAPAKSA

This report constitutes the Plaintiffs' response to the Court's April 12, 2011 order directing Plaintiffs to file a status report on efforts to effectuate service of process on Defendant MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA.

At present, two attempts have been made to serve the Defendant by mail. One package containing copies of the Plaintiffs' summons and complaint was sent to the Defendant directly via Registered U.S. Mail at his "Temple Trees" address in Colombo, Sri Lanka. (Ex. 1.) Subsequently, one package containing the summons and complaint was addressed to the Defendant and mailed to the Sri Lankan embassy in Washington, DC. That package was also sent via Registered U.S. Mail. (Ex. 2.)

Both attempts were unsuccessful. Each package was rejected.

Plaintiffs are now in the process of collaborating with Process Forwarding International ("PFI") to attempt service via the Sri Lankan central authority in accordance with provisions of The Convention on the Service Abroad of Judicial and

Extrajudicial Documents in Civil or Commercial Matters ("The Hague Service Convention"), to which Sri Lanka and the United States are signatories. (Ex. 3.) If service pursuant to the Hague Service Convention fails, Plaintiffs intend, within 90 days of filing this report, to request by motion that this court authorize alternate means of service pursuant to Rule 4(f)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. Plaintiffs will move to effectuate service by publication, or by other means not prohibited by international agreement.

Dated: May 31, 2011

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, BRUCE FEIN, hereby certify that the foregoing document has been served electronically with the court and on all counsel of record on this $31^{\rm st}$ day of May, 2011.

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