# Exhibit A:

5<sup>th</sup> Feb 2009: *Defence.lk* information on the 55<sup>th</sup> Division capture of Chaalai, and time lines of other divisions.

#### **Exhibit B:**

5<sup>th</sup> Feb 2009: *Defence.lk* More information on the capture of Chaalai by 55th Division led by Brigadier Prasanna Silva and battle details

### **Exhibit C:**

**22**<sup>nd</sup> **Feb 2009**: *SundayTimes.lk*: Graphics and 55 Division troops are forging towards Amparavan and Kukarayan areas, south of the Chalai lagoon.

## **Exhibit D:**

15th March 2009: Sunday Times.lk: Battle north of Palamattalan

### **Exhibit E:**

**28**<sup>th</sup> **March 2009**: *SundayTimes.lk*: Graphics and 55(3) Brigade began the operation to capture the fifth earth bund of the LTTE on the narrow stretch of land in Thevavetti north of Putumattalan,

### **Exhibit F:**

**1st/2<sup>nd</sup> Week May: Prasannadesilva blog:** Transfer of Prasanna de Silva as General Operations Commander to the 59<sup>th</sup> Division and the final battle in No Fire Zone.

# **Exhibit G:**

Three maps obtained as PDFs from Defence.lk interactive map on the war's progress:

- 1. Elephant Pass capture (9th January 2009)
- 2. Puthukkudiyiruppu capture (5<sup>th</sup> March 2009)
- 3. 55<sup>th</sup> division in Puthumatthalan—complement to Exhibit E

# 4. Exhibit A:

http://defence.lk/new.asp?fname=20090117 03

Time line of Areas captured.

# 55 Divison

The Army 55th Division commanded by Brigadier Prasanna Silva was initially manning the forward defence line at Muhamalai in the Jaffna peninsula. The Division was deployed in the area north of A-9 road and was one of the two Army Divisions that defended the isolated Jaffna peninsula against LTTE infiltration over the past few years. The Division shifted its mode of operations from defensive to offensive in mid November 2008.

# **Timeline**

Serial No	Date	Area Liberated
01.	05 February 2009	Chalai

#### **Exhibit B:**

http://www.defence.lk/new.asp?fname=20090205\_08

5<sup>th</sup> February 2009

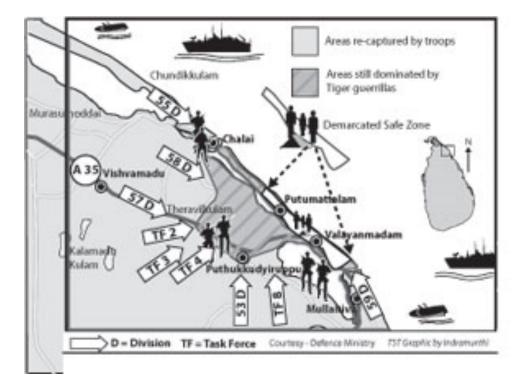
According to military sources troops attached to the 55 Division led by Brigadier Prasanna Silva took control of the last Sea Tiger base after five days of intence fighting and killing top Sea Tiger leader Vinayagam and three other leaders. At least a dozen more Sea Tiger cadres were killed in the ensuing battle reported in while troops advancing towards Chalai from Chundikulam.

# **Exhibit C:**

http://sundaytimes.lk/090222/News/sundaytimesnews 16.html

22<sup>nd</sup> February 2009

Task Force 2 and 58 Division troops at the Udayarkattukulam junction are also advancing north of the A-35 main road. According to military reports, the 55 Division troops are forging towards Amparavan and Kukarayan areas, south of the Chalai lagoon.



On Tuesday [17<sup>th</sup> February 2009], 58 Division under Brig. Shavendra Silva with 581 Brigade under Lt. Col. Deshapriya Gunawardane and 6 Gemunu Watch under Lt. Col. Kamal Pinnawala advanced their troops towards Ampalavanpokkanai, north of Puthukkudiyiruppu. The main challenge the troops faced were the six earth bunds and the mined terrain.

# **Exhibit D:**

http://sundaytimes.lk/090315/News/sundaytimesnews 21.html

# 15th March 2009

Due to the intelligence received the 55 and 58 divisions managed to foil yet another LTTE infiltration attempt in the North of Puthukkudiyiruppu and South of Palamattalan on March 7. There was an exchange of fire that lasted for several hours where cadres from the LTTE's Imran-Pandiyan brigade, considered one of the most powerful fighting formations, had taken part in the offensive and had perished.

### **Exhibit E:**

http://sundaytimes.lk/090405/News/sundaytimesnews 19.html

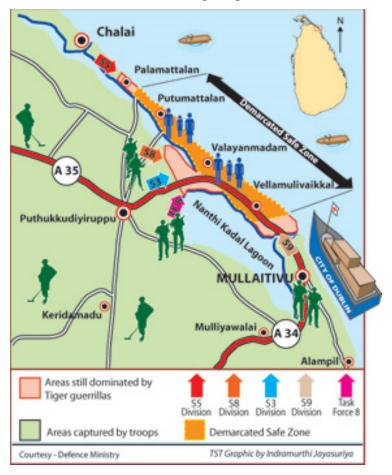
Last Saturday, [28th March 2009] the 553 Brigade began the operation to capture the fifth earth bund of the LTTE on the narrow stretch of land in Thevavetti north of Putumattalan, along the coastal and lagoon front

As troops advanced further into LTTE terrain, they observed Sea Tigers launching two boats from the no fire zone area.

It was later revealed that as the troops began to advance the Sea Tiger boats too sped towards the troops resulting in a confrontation. The troops fired a Pakistani built, laser guided missile towards one of the boats. The two LTTE boats then sped off in separate directions and opened fire at the troops. Simultaneously, there had been an LTTE ground infiltration which was effectively thwarted by the troops that had received close support from their main battle tank that began to pound shells at the Tiger earth bund, which was eventually captured.

As dusk fell, the troops began to consolidate their positions in the newly captured earth bund. Soon after, the 55 Division troops noticed another five Tiger boats moving towards them. Upon detecting the flotilla of Sea Tiger boats the troops fired a second missile which resulted in one of the Tiger boats being completely destroyed.

To check the advancing troops, Sea Tigers continued to launch their boats into the coastal waters of Chalai and Chundikulam as fighting continued on to the next day.



## **Exhibit F:**

http://prasannadesilva.wordpress.com/2009/05/12/prasanna-de-silva-led-59-div-cross-over-ltte-built-earth-bund-at-wadduvakal-capture-300m-of-territory/

The 59 Division troops led by overlooking Div Commander, Brigadier Prasanna Silva have stepped-up into the on-going hostage rescue operation, with initial advances made by 6 SLLI and 12 SLLI infantrymen crossing the LTTE constructed earth bund cum ditch North of the Wadduvakal causeway, early this morning (May 12).



http://prasannadesilva.wordpress.com/2009/05/07/prasanna-de-silva-takes-over-59th-division/

# May 7, 2009

The forward operations of 59 Division, which had been stationed south of Vellamullavaikal, passing the lagoon-mouth, going from Mulaitivu, have been handed over to GOC 55 Division, Brig. Prasanna de Silva, in recognition of his leadership of the 55 Division, all the way from Muhamalai to Nagarkovil to Chalai to Chundikulam- 70 km, with a minimum casualties among his men, while hammering and capturing Sea Tiger camps.

### **Exhibit G:**

