



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Order under UNSC Resolution 1373 signed by Minister Peiris**

An order, designating persons and entities in terms of the United Nations Security Council Resolution 1373 which sets out strategies to combat terrorism and to control terrorist financing has been signed by Prof. G.L. Peiris, Minister of External Affairs, and will be published in the Government Gazette shortly. This order is based on the recommendation by the Secretary, Ministry of Defence and Urban Development, as the Competent Authority regarding the identification of persons, groups and entities, believed on reasonable grounds to be committing, attempting to commit, facilitating or participating, in the commission of acts of terrorism.

The substantial effect of an order under this Regulation is that all funds, assets and economic resources belonging to or owned by the designated persons or entities remain frozen until they are removed from the designated list. Moving, transferring or dealing with frozen assets without the permission of the Competent Authority is prohibited. In terms of the Regulation, any person who fails to comply with an order to freeze assets is liable to heavy penalties.

Ministry of External Affairs

01 April 2014.

**Banned Foreign LTTE Terrorist Front Organizations with the gazette notification numbers are:**

- 01. Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam a.k.a LTTE a.k.a Tamil Tigers - EN/CA/2013/01**
- 02. Tamil Rehabilitation Organization a.k.a TRO. - EN/CA/2013/02 (Sri Lanka & Overseas)**

03. **Tamil Coordinating Committee** a.k.a TCC - EN/CA/2013/03
04. **British Tamil Forum** a.k.a BTF - EN/CA/2013/04 (Operating from London, UK)
05. **World Tamil Movement** a.k.a WTM - EN/CA/2013/05 (Operating from Canada)
06. **Canadian Tamil Congress** a.k.a CTC - EN/CA/2013/06 (Operating from Canada)
07. **Australian Tamil Congress** a.k.a ATC - EN/CA/2013/07 (Operating from Australia)
08. **Global Tamil Forum** a.k.a GTF - EN/CA/2013/08 (Operating from UK)
09. **National Council Of Canadian Tamils** a.k.a NCCT a.k.a Makkal Avai - EN/CA/2013/09 (Operating from Canada)
10. **Tamil National Council** a.k.a TNC - EN/CA/2013/10 (Operating from Norway, Italy, Switzerland, France, Canada.)
11. **Tamil Youth Organization** a.k.a TYO - EN/CA/2013/11 (Operating from Australia)
12. **World Tamil Coordinating Committee** a.k.a WTCC. - EN/CA/2013/12
13. **Transnational Government Of Tamil Eelam** a.k.a TGTE - EN/CA/2013/13
14. **Tamil Eelam Peoples Assembly** a.k.a TEPA - EN/CA/2013/14
15. **World Tamil Relief Fund** a.k.a WTRF - EN/CA/2013/15
16. **Headquarters Group** a.k.a HQ Group - EN/CA/2013/16

The above categorized Foreign Terrorist Organizations are led by the following four LTTE Tamil Terrorists;

1. Perinbanayagam Sivaparan alias "Nediyavan";
2. Rev.Fr. SJ Emmanuel
3. Visuvanathan Ruthirakumaran
4. Sekarampillai Vinayakamoorthy alias Vinayagam

## List of Country LTTE Ban imposed

1. 1992 - India was the first to ban LTTE following the assassination of Rajiv Gandhi.
2. 1997 - USA banned LTTE as a Foreign Terrorist Organization on 8 Oct 1997
3. 1998 - Sri Lanka bans LTTE following LTTE attack on Dalada Maligawa, Kandy
4. 2000 - UK designated LTTE as a Proscribed Terrorist Group under the UK Terrorism Act of 2000
5. 2001 - USA designated LTTE as a Specially Designated Global Terrorist organization since 2 Nov 2001
6. 2006 - EU (Council of the European Union) comprising 28 nations declared LTTE as a Terrorist Organization on 17 May 2006 (Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden & UK)
7. 2006 - Canada
8. 2009 - Sri Lanka 7 January 2009 (Note the ban placed in 1998 was removed by the Ranil Wickremasinghe Government on 4 January 2002 to facilitate the infamous Ceasefire Agreement)