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Urgent Appeal to Halt Military Activities in and Restore Normality to the NorthEast

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The NorthEast Secretariat On Human Rights (NESOHR) is highly perturbed over the increasing militaristic approach of the Government of Sri Lanka (GOSL) in resolving disputes with its partner in the Cease Fire Agreement (CFA). The parties to the CFA trading accusations against each other as to who fired the first shot is highly debatable but the harm caused to civilian life cannot, however be glossed over.

In this context, our attention is drawn to the 'confusion' surrounding the aerial bombardment that killed 51 students and injured 136 in Mullaittivu while undergoing a programmed first aid and leadership training. The necessity for such a course in first aid and leadership for senior students selected from many schools in the Kilinochchi and Mullaittivu districts arose consequent to frequent air raids by SLAF Kfir jets commencing from the first of its kind during cease- fire in Muttur. When Mullaittivu and Kilinochchi became the hunting ground of these killing machines, the teaching community along with the parents felt the necessity to train students senior enough to take leadership and impart basic knowledge of first aid and precaution during air raids. Killing of school children by aerial bombardment in Nagarkovil in the Jaffna district during mid nineties is still fresh in he minds of the teachers and parents and therefore a collective effort was undertaken to train these students.

In the background of falsehoods that are on the air implying that the location was a military training ground of the LTTE and those killed were trainee combatants, NESOHR carried out its own investigations with the view to bring out the truth for the benefit of those who are still kept in the dark. NESOHR wishes to vouchsafe that those killed were in fact students undergoing training for first aid during air raids and were not in any way connected to any military training programme. Results of this investigation are attached as annexures to this document in the following order:

- 1. Principals Association letter to UNICEF
- 2. Leadership Training Programme for A/L students 2006 Syllabus
- 3. Time Table for the programme
- 4. Detailed list of students killed
- 5. Details of students injured

Curfew and closure of entry points:

NESOHR is equally concerned about the curfew in the Jaffna peninsula that has invariably imprisoned a people already on the fringe of frustration and despair due to perpetual subjugation under a hostile military occupation for nearly a decade now. During the communal pogroms of 1958 and 1977 the Tamil people who were the victims of racial latred did pray that a curfew be declared to safeguard themselves from being killed but the then governments procrastinated and left the innocent Tamils in the hands of hoodlums and a police and army that were mere on-lookers. Those were curfews the governments elected not to impose, for those who sought for it were innocent Tamil people; in fact, there wasn't a war between two parties and Tamils as one party were a passive unarmed nation of people facing discrimination and military oppression. Whenever they drew attention through democratic and non-violent means, the strong arm of law crushed the opposition, paving the way for Tamil militancy.

Right to life – Freedom of movement:

Exacerbating the out-of-gear situation due to curfew, Jaffna peninsula, districts of Kilinochchi and Mullaittivu, Mannar and many parts of Trincomalee and Batticaloa remain cut off commencing 11 August 2006. Aerial bombings, artillery shelling and multi barrel rockets on civilian population in this undeclared war, have cumulatively placed the people in a critical situation wherein the freedom to flee for safety itself has been denied. Scarcity of food essentials, fuel and medicines, denial of access to treatment of the seriously injured in the bombings, all during a cease-fire period are matters that the international community needs to take up with the government. Two infants, a critically ill pregnant mother and a 60 year old man with a hip fracture transported in the Kilinochchi Ambulance vehicle were denied access to Vavuniya hospital yesterday, 21 August 2006 at the Omanthai military entry point by the SL military. This inhuman denial of access to medical treatment resulted in one child dying on return to Kilinochchi. Under the cover of curfew, the military in the occupied parts of the Jaffna peninsula and elsewhere is engaged in a spree of killing civilians including academics, university students, a former Tamil legislator. Also noteworthy is the fact that scores of civilians were killed by shelling in Allaippiddy in the Jaffna district and those injured were not allowed to seek treatment in the Jaffna hospital by a military blockade. Relatives and humanitarian workers were not allowed to remove the dead bodies for burial in time.

The militaristic approach of the government in dealing with democratic human rights issues is amply demonstrated and testified by the appointment of a retired military commander as the Government Agent (Chief Administrative Officer) of Trincomalee in violation of the basic principles of appointing members from the Civil Administrative Service. A government that is brazenly violating a CFA by engaging in aerial bombings, shellings, roacket attacks, forcibly keeping a civilian population imprisoned within the confines of military gates and imposing an undeclared food-medicine-economic embargo deservedly earn the reputation of a 'rogue state' and therefore the international community in general and universal human right lovers have a solemn obligation to effectively intervene now.

Fr. M. X. Karunaratnam Chairperson

Training programme for A/L students in leadership -2006 Syllabus

Purpose:

- Guidance on Introspection leading to build self confidence
- Unity and inter-action among students and training to function as groups
- Familiarising leadership qualities
- Importance of time management and progress through timeliness
- Basic first aid lessons and usefulness to the society during times of disasters
- Gender equality and the necessity to work for the welfare of women

Participants: G.C.E.A/L students

Participating schools:

Mullaittivu Zone:

Bharathy Maha Vidyalayam Visvamadu Maha Vidyalayam Udaiyarkaddu Maha Vidyalayam Puthukkudiyiruppu Central College Iranaippalai Maha Vidyalayam Mullaittivu Maha Vidyalayam Vidyananda College, Mulliyawalai Chemmalai Maha Vidyalayam Kumula munai Maha Vidyalayam Vatrappallai Maha Vidyalayam

Kandavalai Zone:

Paranthan Hindu Maha Vidyalayam Kandavalai Maha Vidyalayam Murasumoddai Maha Vidyalayam Tharmapuram Maha Vidyalayam Piramanthanaru Maha Vidyalayam

Oddusuddan Zone:

Oddusuddan Maha Vidyalayam Katsilaimadu G.T.M.S. Muththaiyankaddu Right Bank Maha Vidyalayam

Number of students: 500

Period: 11 August to 20 August 2006

Venue: Sencholai complex, Vallipunam

Leadership Training for G.C.E A/L Students-2006

Time	Date						
	11.08.2006	12.08.2006	13.08.2006	14.08.2006	15.08.2006		
7.00-7.15	Assembly	Assembly	Assembly	Assembly	Assembly		
7.15-8.00	Physical	Physical	Physical	Physical	Physical		
8.00-8.30	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast		
8.30-9.30	Role of students in the society	Human values and younger generation	Self estimation	Self confidence and personality development	Important of counseling		
9.30-10.30	Introduction to first aid	Basic first aid training	Control of bleeding	Artificial respiration	Saving injured and fractured		
10.30-11.00	Interval	Interval	Interval	Interval	Interval		
11.00-1.00	First aid-continue (Natural disasters, Air attack, Fire accidents, Water disasters,	First aid practical	First aid practical	First aid practical	First aid practical		
1.00-3.00	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch		
3.00-4.00	Women in our society	Period prior to teenage	Teenage	Time of Determining future	Protecting Women from social problems		
4.00-4.30	Interval	Interval	Interval	Interval	Interval		
4.30-5.30	Sports	Sports	Sports	Sports	Sports		
5.30-6.00	Interval	Interval	Interval	Interval	Interval		
6.00-7.30	Singing	Debate	Assembly	Poetry	Drama		
7.30-8.00	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner		

Time	Date						
	16.08.2006	17.08.2006	18.08.2006	19.08.2006	20.08.2006		
7.00-7.15	Assembly	Assembly	Assembly	Assembly	* Inaugural events		
7.15-8.00	Physical	Physical	Physical	Physical			
8.00-8.30	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast			
8.30-9.30	How to link time management in youth	Human Rights and Children Rights	Student and Group life	Unity and hard work will upgrade student life			
9.30-10.30	Prevention and rescue- Fire and water accident	Prevention and rescue- Electricity and Chemical accident	Protection during aerial bombing	Physical health and nutrition			
10.30-11.00	Interval	Interval	Interval	Interval			
11.00-1.00	First aid practical	First aid practical	First aid practical	First aid practical			
1.00-3.00	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch			
3.00-4.00	Women's progress in modern world	Universal Women leadership	Man and Women on the basis of Humanity	The new women vision by poet Bharathy			
4.00-4.30	Interval	Interval	Interval	Interval			
4.30-5.30	Sports	Sports	Sports	Sports			
5.30-6.00	Interval	Interval	Interval	Interval			
6.00-7.30	Drama	Singing	Humor	Cultural program rehearsal			
7.30-8.00	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner			

Details of Death Students on 14.08.2006 at Vallipunam

Puthukuddiyiruppu Mahavidhyalayam

01.



Name Thambirasa Lakiya

Date of birth Sunday, March 26, 1989

Address Mullivaikal west, Mullaitivu

02.



Name Mahalingam Vensidiyoola

Date of birth Saturday, October 07, 1989

Address Mullivaikal west, Mullaitivu

03.



Name Thuraisingam Sutharshini

Date of birth Friday, July 28, 1989

Address Ward 10, Puthukuddiyiruppu, Mullaitivu

Visuvamadu Mahavidhyalayam

04.



Name Nagalingam Theepa

Date of birth Sunday, March 29, 1987

Address Puththadi, Visuvamadu, Kilinochchi

05.



Name Thambirasa Theepa

Date of birth Saturday, February 07, 1987

Address Valluvarpuram, Redbana, Mullaitivu



Name Thirunavakarasu Niranjala

Date of birth Tuesday, November 29, 1988

Address Puththadi, Visuvamadu, Kilinochchi

07.



Name Raveendrarasa Ramya

Date of birth Monday, November 14, 1988

72/2 Thoddiyadi, Visuvamadu,

Address Kilinochchi

08.



Name Kanapathipillai Nanthini

Date of birth Wednesday, October 05, 1988

Address Thoddiyadi, Visuvamadu, Kilinochchi

09.



Name Vijeyabavan Sinthuja

Date of birth Tuesday, May 24, 1988

Address Thoddiyadi, Visuvamadu, Kilinochchi

10.



Name Naguleswaran Nishanthini

Date of birth Tuesday, April 11, 1989

119/2 Thoddiyadi, Visuvamadu,

Address Kilinochchi



Name Tharmakulasingam Kemala

Date of birth Wednesday, September 09, 1987

Kannakinagar, Visuvamadu,

Address Kilinochchi

12.



Name Arulambalam Yasothini

Date of birth Monday, January 18, 1988

Address Kuththadi, Visuvamadu, Kilinochchi

Udayarkaddu Mahavidhyalayam

13.



Name Muththaih Indra

Date of birth Monday, August 08, 1988

Address Suthanthirapuram Centre, Mullaitivu

14.



Name Murugaiah Arudselvi

Date of birth Thursday, July 14, 1988

Address Suthanthirapuram Centre, Mullaitivu



Name Sivamoorthy Karthikayini

Date of birth Saturday, February 13, 1988

Address Vallipunam, Mullaitivu

16.



Name Santhanam Sathyakala

Date of birth Wednesday, August 20, 1986

Address Vallipunam, Mullaitivu

17.



Name Kanagalingam Niruba

Date of birth Saturday, February 11, 1989

Address Visuvamadu, Kilinochchi

18.



Name Kanagalingam Nirosa

Date of birth Saturday, February 11, 1989

Address Valliupunam, Mullaitivu



Name Navaratnam Santhakumari

Date of birth Sunday, May 29, 1988

Address Kaiveli, Mullaitivu

20.



Name Nagalingam Kohila

Date of birth Thursday, February 12, 1987

Address Vallipunam, Mullaitivu

21.



Name Sivamayajeyam Kohila

Date of birth

Address Kuravil, Mullaitivu

22.



Name Shanmugurasa Paventhini

Date of birth

Address

23.



Name Balakrishnan Mathani

Date of birth Monday, May 09, 1988

Address Vallipunam, Mullaitivu

Mullaitivu Mahavidhyalayam

24.



Name Sivanantham Thivya

Date of birth Monday, May 30, 1988

Address Vannankulam, Mullaitivu

25.



Name Thambirasa Suganthini

Date of birth Thursday, February 18, 1988

Address Alambil, Mullaitivu

26.



Name Sivasubramaniam Vathsalamary

Date of birth Thursday, November 20, 1986

Address Mannatkuddiyiruppu, Mullaitivu

27.



Name Thanabalasingam Bakeerathi

Date of birth Tuesday, February 03, 1987

Address Mullivaikal west, Mullaitivu

28.



Name Thanikasalam Thanusha

Date of birth Wednesday, December 02, 1987

Address Kallapadu, Mullaitivu



Name Pathmanathan Kalaipriya

Date of birth Friday, September 23, 1988

Address Kovilkudiyiruppu, Mullaitivu

30.



Name Markupillai Kelansuthayini

Date of birth Thursday, July 14, 1988

Address Vannankulam, Mullaitivu

31.



Name Rasamohan Hamsana

Date of birth Tuesday, May 19, 1987

Address Alambil, Mullaitivu

Kumulamunai Mahavidhyalayam

32.



Name Vivekanantham Thadchayini

Date of birth Sunday, January 31, 1988

Ward 10, Puthukuddiyiruppu,

Address Mullaitivu

33.



Name Santhakumar Suhirtha

Date of birth Saturday, August 08, 1987

Address Ward 7, Kumulamunai, Mullaitivu

34.



Name Uthayakumaran Kousika

Date of birth Saturday, August 22, 1987

Address Kumulamunai, Mullaitivu

35.



Name Nallapillai Ninthuja

Date of birth Thursday, March 03, 1988

Address Ward 6, Kumulamunai, Mullaitivu

36.



Name Veerasingam Rajitha

Date of birth

Sunday, February 28, 1988

Address Ward 5, Kumulamunai, Mullaitivu

Vidhyananda College, Mulliyavalai

37.



Name Thamilvasan Nivethika

Date of birth Friday, December 02, 1988

Address Ward 2, Mulliyavalai, Mullaitivu

38.



Name Sundaram Anoja

Date of birth

Tuesday, September 12, 1989

Address Kumulamunai, Mullaitivu

39.



Name Puvanasekaram Puvaneswari

Date of birth Tuesday, June 06, 1989

Address Ward 4, Mulliyavalai, Mullaitivu

40.



Name Kiritharan Thayani

Date of birth Thursday, December 28, 1989

Address Thanneerutu, Mulliyavalai, Mullaitivu

Chemalai Mahavidhyalayam

41.



Name Mahalingam Vasantharani

Date of birth

Address

Wednesday, March 23, 1988

Alambil Chemalai, Mullaitivu

42.



Name Thuraisingam Thisani

Date of birth Tuesday, December 06, 1988

Address Alambil Chemalai, Mullaitivu

43.



Name Vairavamoorthy Krithika

Date of birth Sunday, July 12, 1987

Address Alambil Chemalai, Mullaitivu

44.



Name Chandramohan Nivethika

Date of

birth Wednesday, January 04, 1989

Address Alambil Chemalai, Mullaitivu

Oddusuddan Mahavidhyalayam

45.



Name Sellam Nirojini

Date of birth Sunday, September 17, 1989

Koolamurippu, Oddusuddan,

Address Mullaitivu

Muruhananda Mahavidhyalayam

46.



Name Tharmarasa Brintha

Date of birth Friday, January 06, 1989

Address 189/1 Visuvamadu, Kilinochchi

47.



Name Thevarasa Sharmini

Date of birth Thursday, March 09, 1989

90 Periyakulam Kandavalai,

Address Kilinochchi

Tharmapuram Mahavidhyalayam 48.



Name Varatharajah Mangaleswari

Date of birth Monday, July 24, 1989

577, 13 Union, Tharmapuram,

Address Kilinochchi



Name Rasenthiraselvam Mahilvathani

Date of birth Sunday, December 04, 1988

Hospital Quarters, Tharmapuram, Kilinochchi

Address

50.



Name Nilayinar Nivahini

Date of birth Tuesday, April 04, 1989

Address Kattakadai Tharmapuram, Kilinochchi

Piramanthanaru Mahavidhyalayam

51.



Name Kubenathiraselvam Lihithia

Date of birth Thursday, February 05, 1987

Kalveddithudal, Puliyampookkanai,

Kilinochchi Address

Details of injured students on 14.08.2006 at Vallipunam Kandawalai Mahavidhyalayam

- 01. C.Jenany
- 02. R.Kavithalatha
- 03. P.Sasikala
- 04. S.Sarmila
- 05. B.Akila
- 06. A.Sukirtha
- 07. S.Vinopa
- 08. V. Vijayasiththira
- 09. N.Sujekka

Paranthan Hindu Mahavidhyalayam

- 10. K.Piramila
- 11. A.Juliyat Mariya
- 12. S.Piravena

Murugananda Mahavidhyalayam

13. K.Ajitha

Piramanthanaru Mahavidhyalayam

14. K.Supaththira

Tharmapuram Mahavidhyalayam

- 15. K.Kobika
- 16. T.Thayarubi
- 17. K.Nisanthini
- 18. K.Sulogini
- 19. K.Jaso
- 20. V.Nanthini
- 21. R.Thadsajini
- 22. S.Tharsanthini
- 23. S.Disanthini

Mullaitivu Mahavidhyalayam

- 24. S.Jansi
- 25. M.Gowsi
- 26. V.Thusanthini
- 27. K. Yuvamalini
- 28. R.Sinthuja
- 29. S.Srivathana
- 30. R.Yasopa

- 31. A.Mehala
- 32. A.Vijitha
- 33. T.Robojini

Vidyanantha College

- 34. A.Dayani
- 35. M.Indravathani
- 36. S.Anushiya
- 37. P.Sujiththa
- 38. V.Rathipala
- 39. K.Jeevivthira
- 40. T.Rajananthini
- 41. S.Sayantha
- 42. N.Sinthuja
- 43. P.Sumiththira
- 44. S.Theepa
- 45. K.Parkavi
- 46. S.Kasthuri
- 47. K.Kalayarasi
- 48. M.Sarmila
- 49. S.Gajenthi
- 50. R.Mayoori
- 51. S.Sangeetha
- 52. N.Jeeviththi
- 53. K.Ajiththa
- 54. P.vijiththa
- 55. K.Inthuja
- 56. S.vithya
- 57. P.Methini
- 58. S.Pinthuja
- 59. N.Neerupa
- 60. S.Siyamini
- 61. P.Saikalathevy

Kumulamunai Mahavidhyalayam

- 62. S.Sayiniya
- 63. T.Tharsika
- 64. T.Vithya
- 65. R.Srivithya
- 66. N.Nishanthini

Chemmalai Mahavidhyalayam

- 67. M.Senthusa
- 68. J.Karthiga
- 69. G.Niluja
- 70. K.Kohila

71. R.Thusyanthi

Vatapalai Mahavidhyalayam

72. S.Sinthuja

Puthukkudiyiruppu Central college

- 73. M.Neeruja
- 74. P.Ulanthini
- 75. A.Ramja
- 76. P.Sumithi
- 77. M.Thayavili
- 78. M.Komathi

Visuwamadu Mahavidhyalayam

- 79. S.Nirsiya
- 80. G.Nakulavathani
- 81. V.Rajilathevy
- 82. T.Thayalini
- 83. P. Yugatharsini
- 84. P.Rekha
- 85. P.Sinthuja
- 86. R.Mehala
- 87. . S.Amuthabashini
- 88. M.Nirusha
- 89. V.Nitharshini
- 90. T.Kalaichelvi
- 91. G.Rupavathani
- 92. S.Sujeeba
- 93. V.Yuganadevi
- 94. J.Kirubajini
- 95. S.Jesina
- 96. T.Sutharshini
- 97. A.Mathiyarasi
- 98. Y.Virginia
- 99. S.Chowmiya
- 100. U.Piriya
- 101. J.Sutharshini
- 102. V.Nishanthini

Udaiyarkaddu Mahavidhyalayam

- 103. K.Hema
- 104. Kavitha
- 105. Jasithevi
- 106. Jeyanthini
- 107. Kalichchelvi
- 108. Rekhananthini

- 109. N.Thavaranjini
- 110. S.Thilagarani
- 111. V.Vijitha
- 112. K.Tharsika
- 113. G.Juli
- 114. Saranya
- 115. Saraniya

Bharathy Vidhyalayam

- 116. V.Vimalaranjini
- 117. A.Umakeswary
- 118. P.Thusiyanthi

Oddusuddan Mahavidhyalayam

- 119. V.Tharshana
- 120. K.Jasotha
- 121. S.Jalini
- 122. M.Supeeka
- 123. V.Maristala
- 124. S.Nirosa
- 125. S.rajeepa
- 126. T.Thakujini
- 127. P.Jamini
- 128. T.Rushanthini

Katsilaimadu G.T.M.S

- 129. S.Mathusha
- 130. A.Ranjitha
- 131. P.Sutharsini

Muththayankaddu Valathukatai

- 132. M.Ushanthini
- 133. V.Sutharsini
- 134. R.Tharsini
- 135. R.Sunitha
- 136. S.Subajini