

WHEN TALKING WITH THE SRI LANKAN GOVERNMENT

FUNDAMENTAL BELIEFS

1. No negotiated political settlement can either resolve the unresolved national question in Ceylon or achieve the total liberation for Eelavar.  
THEREFORE ENGROSSMENT IN THE PROCESS OF TALKS OR BEING TRAPPED IN IT WITH THE BELIEF OF FINDING THE SOLUTION WILL BE AVOIDED.
2. Conditions which govern the Eelam struggle have deteriorated due to lack of understanding of them, thus, through the wrong strategies and tactics adapted be various Liberation Organisations.  
THEREFORE THE TALKS WOULD BE MANIPULATED IN SUCH A MANNER TO IMPROVE THE CONDITIONS AND OUTCOME ACCEPTED ONLY AS A TRANSITIONAL POINT OF OUR STRUGGLE WITH ABOVE MENTIONED AS ITS PARTICULAR AIM.
3. Participation in the talks, of its aims and objectives and the agenda will carry the wishes and the support of the rank & file and the leadership as a whole.
4. THE PROGRESS OF THE TALKS WILL BE MONITORED AND GOVERNED IN SUCH A MANNER THAT IT DOES NOT HINDER THE PROGRESS AND CHARACTER OF THE EELAM STRUGGLE FOR TOTAL LIBERATION, THUS WILL BE GEARED AND CONDITIONED TO FURTHER PROMOTE THE STRUGGLE.
5. Making headway in establishing fundamental and political demarcations will be the prime and most important objectives of these talks.
6. ISLAMIC TAMILS, PLANTATION TAMILS, EASTERN PROVINCE TAMILS AND NORTHERN PROVINCE TAMILS AS THE MAIN RELIGIOUS AND COMMUNAL SECTIONS OF THE TAMIL SPEAKING PEOPLE IN CEYLON, WILL HAVE REPRESENTATIONS IN THE TALKS.  
WHICH WILL BE ACHIEVED COLLECTIVELY, IF NOT POSSIBLE, THEN, THROUGH EROS REPRESENTATION.
7. Every attempts will be made to democratise the whole of island.
8. THE RETURN OF THE LAW AND ORDER ADMINISTRATION BY THE SRI LANKAN GOVERNMENT WOULD HAVE AN OPPOSITE EFFECT ON THE CONDITIONS OF THE STRUGGLE OPPOSE TO THAT OF CIVIL ADMINISTRATION.

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

Through the talks (our's)  
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1. TO EXPOSE FALSE PRETENCES OF THE SRI LANKAN GOVERNMENT IN FINDING A POLITICAL SOLUTION TO THE CRISIS AND OF THE LIBERATION ORGANISATIONS LACK OF UNDERSTANDING, LONG TERM STRATEGY AND COMMITMENT FOR THE VICTORY IN THE STRUGGLE.
2. To prevent Lebanonisation and political chaos.  
(e.g. proposals to create union territories aimed at Trincomale district, to separate Islamic Tamils from the units of Tamil Traditional lands aimed at Ampharai district, to prevent Liberation Organisations dividing the Tamil Lands among themselves.)
3. A DEGREE OF UNITY AMONG OUR PEOPLE AND LIBERATION ORGANISATIONS TO BE ACHIEVED.
4. To further the struggle to another phase favourable to EROS.
5. TO ACHIEVE A POLITICAL AND DEMOCRATIC CLIMATE TO THE ISLAND SO THAT TAMIL AS WELL AS SHINHALA REVOLUTIONERIES CAN CAMPAIGN TO FURTHER THEIR RESPECTIVE STRUGGLES.

In the talks  
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NON NEGOTIABLE

1. TO MAKE POSITIVE ADVANCEMENT IN POLITICAL AND FUNDAMENTAL DEMARCATIONS.
  - i. Tamils in Ceylon constitute a nation.
  - ii. Plantation Tamils are Tamil in Ceylon; and a vital component of that nation; and have the civil and democratic rights as enjoyed by any on the island
  - iii. Tamils in Ceylon have Tamil Traditional Home Lands.  
(Tamil traditional Home Lands means, large geographical units where Tamil speaking people have been living with the history of cultural, traditional, and economic set-ups deep rooted with that land, with a high degree of self-sufficiency. e.g. Northern and Eastern provinces, districts in the Hill Country.)
  - iv. Tamil speaking people have the right to self-determination.

Negotiable Demands

2. TAMIL TRADITIONAL HOMELANDS

Starting Point: From Manar to Batticola, from Point Pedro to Buddulai and including Potthuvill, is a Tamil contiguous land.

Closing Point: Districts as unit of devaluation with annexure C, in order to achieve at least Provincial Councils, with inter-provincial Councils.

(Thereby, we will be establishing Northern and Eastern provinces, together or separately as Tamil Traditional Homelands while achieving Plantation Tamils meaningful representation in administering their affairs through districts such as Nuvarellia and Baddulai.)

3. DEMOGRAPHIC SET-UP

Starting Point: All Sinhala settlements since 1948 in the Tamil Traditional Homeland to be dismantled.

Closing Point: (a) All Sinhala settlements since 1981 in Tamil Traditional Homeland to be dismantled.

(b.) Land allocation for the purpose of building the 'Voice of America' and an airport in Trincomalee district should be stopped.

(c.) All Tamils displaced returned to their homes and resettled.

4. CLIMATE FOR AN AGREEMENT

i. Repeal of repressive legislations such as P.T.A. and other measures such as 'no go areas', security zones etc.

ii. Tamil Political Prisoners and detainees released.

iii. Victims of the excesses of the Security forces guaranteed of compensation.

iv. Independent public-inquiries to be held

a. into the massacres and murders within prisons (Wellikada) and detention camps (Vavuniya, Besa)

b. to find causes and the initiators of the communal clashes in the Eastern province

in order to bring those involved to justice and to compensate the victims.

v. Security forces withdrawn

5. POWER OF THE REGIONAL COUNCIL(S)

i. Control of finance, taxes, land policies, education, law and order, and local security

ii. Control of employment, health, social welfare, irrigation, power and fisheries

iii. elected Regional assemblies empowered to administer the above mentioned activities

6. Regional bodies are responsible to the people within and ONLY responsible to the parliament at the centre.
7. Economic aids can be received from abroad.
8. The centre and other national institutions such as the army should reflect the Tamil proportion.