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**Making available the co-operation of Government Institutions
in the performance of duties vested in the Human Rights Commission**

I have to draw your kind attention to the following functions among others that have been vested in the Human Rights Commission under Section 10 of the Sri Lanka Human Rights Commission Act No. 21 of 1996.

- (a) To inquire into, and investigate, complaints regarding procedures, with a view to ensuring compliance with the provisions of the Constitution relating to fundamental rights and to promoting respect for, and observance of, fundamental rights.
- (b) To inquire into and investigate complaints regarding infringements or imminent infringements of fundamental rights, and to provide for resolution thereof by conciliation and mediation in accordance with the provisions hereinafter provided.
- (c) To advise and assist the government in formulating legislation and administrative directives and procedures, in furtherance of, the promotion and protection of fundamental rights.

You are hereby informed that in the process of implementing the above functions by the Human Rights Commission, your Institution should submit information to the said Commission with a sense of responsibility and that on receipt by you of the recommendations of the Commission on the breach of Human Rights you should after obtaining the formal approval from the relevant authorities for implementing the said recommendation take necessary action to implement them.

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