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**Urgent appeal for the appointment a competent and ethical Inspector General of Police (IGP)
for Sri Lanka.**

Your Excellency,

Let me hope is that this letter finds you in fine state of mind, body and spirit. I would like to draw your attention on the persistent problems experienced in present day Sri Lankan context despite extraordinary circumstances experienced by our country throughout time. This letter is meant to accompany one that was sent earlier this year to you highlighting our anxieties and hopes for improving our country.

We sincerely accept the importance and seriousness of the roles you carry and how they impact on the international community's relations with Sri Lanka. As a society in crisis, the prevailing socio-economic and legal problems facing our country today motivate us to promote stability and support development programs which will make prosperity a reality to those marginalized by poverty and unemployment and strengthen the rule of law.

However, we express significant concern about the rising crime rates across Sri Lanka, particularly in the Colombo district. Our statistical analysis reveals that, despite the commendable efforts of the incumbent minister responsible for policing and SDIG Deshbandhu Tennakoon, who oversees the district, there are significant challenges in crime prevention. This situation jeopardizes the lives of citizens and poses threats to national identity, democracy, and judicial independence.

Additionally, the lengthy absence of inspector general for police has caused several problems. Criminal and corruption accusations made against the three Deputy IGs seeking for the post raises eyebrows. We believe very strongly that it's crucial, for Sri Lanka to enter into a developed nation by 2048, the government should appoint a person of impeccable character as an Inspector General.



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Unfortunately, this situation does not add up to future trust in the plans, what is why we need to respond quickly in order for our motherland to move forward steadily. The integrity and legality of the nation's police Inspector General are important for the global image of Sri Lanka and safety of its population. Sadly, his public position on political affairs and backing the disruptive actions only add to that very doubt as his appointment to this vital assignment.

Considering the above, your excellency, I kindly request you appoint an able person as IGP of Sri Lanka irrespective of their rank/status. Therefore, our institution is prepared for any kind of social and ideational backing that would be required in order to get this vital appointment executed.

I have confidence in your intelligence and zeal for the welfare of our country and am optimistic that good things shall take place with your headship.

Yours sincerely,

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