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06 March 2024

Mr. Sanjeewa Wimalagunarathna Director General National Secretariat for Non-Governmental Organizations 15<sup>th</sup> Floor, Suhurupaya, Battaramulla

Dear Director General,

## Copy of Draft Non-Governmental Organisations (Registration and Supervision) Bill

We write to you with reference to the draft Non-Governmental Organisations (Registration and Supervision) Bill, which we understand your office is involved in formulating. We further understand that the said Bill aims to provide for the registration and supervision of non-governmental organisations and repeal the Voluntary Social Services Organisations (Registration and Supervision) Act, No. 31 of 1980.

We kindly request that a copy of the draft Bill be shared with the Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka to enable the Commission to fulfil its mandate in terms of section 10(c) of the Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka Act, No. 21 of 1996. The said provision empowers the Commission to 'advise and assist the government in formulating legislation...in furtherance of the promotion and protection of fundamental rights'.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation and engagement on this matter.

Sincerely,

Justice L T B Dehideniya Chairman Justice L.T.B.Dehideniya Judge of the Supreme Court (Retired) Chairman Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka

Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka

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