

## SRI LANKA POLICE INSPECTORS' ASSOCIATION

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25th September 2019,

The Chairman,
Election Commission,
Elections Secretariat,
P.O. Box 02, Sarana Mawatha,
Rajagiriya.

Sir,

## Re: Recruitment of 24 Probationary Assistant Superintendents of Police (P/ASPP)

At the outset, the 68<sup>th</sup> Executive Committee, Sri Lanka Police Inspectors' Association (Ex.Co/SLPIA) wishes to place on record by paying its sincere compliments to you and the staff of the Department of Elections for functioning independently to discharge its duties in an exemplary manner displaying transparency, efficiency without fear or favor over the passage of time.

It is fitting to mention briefly as a form of an introduction about the establishment of our prestigious Sri Lanka Police Inspectors' Association in the year 1945 during the Colonial Era when the Sri Lanka Police formerly known as Ceylon Police under the command of British Rule.

The objective of the Association laid down in the SLPIA Constitution as per ARTICLE 02 is referred to below.

"2(1) To protect, promote and to safeguard the interests and welfare of the members as a body".

At present the total membership of the Association is exceeding 10,000 of both male and female officers.

The (Ex.Co/SLPIA) credibly learns that on the directive issued by the National Police Commission, the Sri Lanka Police has taken concrete steps to commence the course of training to be followed by the 24 applicants who have been selected, with effect from 01<sup>st</sup> of October 2019.

The Ex.Co/SLPIA strongly believes that the recruitment process taken about a few years ago will be detrimental to the aspiring and deserving senior most Inspectorate from gaining justifiable promotions based on a logical proposition which is crystal clear such as the

recruitment of P/ASPP at present is neither an exigency of the Sri Lanka Police nor any loss in any form is anticipated by not implementing such a Policy Decision.

We can only draw a strong conclusion on the above, is an attempt by the Government to engage on a political propaganda on the wake of the forthcoming Presidential Election scheduled to be held on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

In the light of the above facts, the Members of the Executive Committee, Sri Lanka Police Inspectors' Association most respectfully appeals for your timely intervention to halt or suspend the Recruitment Process tentatively until the completion of the Presidential Election 2019.

On behalf of the Executive Committee, Sri Lanka Police Inspectors' Association

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Hon. Secretary
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