Mr. Wajira Abeywardena nominated to fill the vacant seat created following Hon. Ranil Wickremesinghe assuming office as President

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The Election Commission has issued the relevant gazette notification nominating Mr. Wajira Abeywardena as the National List Member of the United National Party, which became vacant due to the swearing in of Hon. Ranil Wickremesinghe as the President.

Acting in accordance under Section 64(5) of the Parliamentary Elections Act, No. 1 of 1981, read with the provisions of the Constitution, the Election Commission noticed through the Gazette Extraordinary that Mr. Wajira Abeywardena has been nominated to fill the vacant seat created following Hon. Ranil Wickremesinghe assuming office as President.

According to the letter in writing by the Secretary General of the Parliament Mr. Dhammika Dasanayake to the Chairman of the Election Commission recently stating that a vacancy has arisen due to the swearing in of Hon. Ranil Wickremesinghe as the President, the Election Commission informed the Secretary of the United National Party to nominate a qualified member for the said vacancy. Accordingly, the secretary of the party has nominated Mr. Wajira Abeywardena.

Accordingly, Mr. Wajira Abeywardena will be sworn in as a Member of Parliament in the presence of the Speaker, Hon. Mahinda Yapa Abeywardana, at the upcoming Parliamentary session.