

## ANNOUNCEMENT

I wish to inform the Parliament that I have received the Determination of the Supreme Court in respect of the Bill entitled "Right to Information" which has been challenged in the Supreme Court in terms of Article 121(1) of the Constitution.

The Supreme Court has determined that—

Clause 5 (1) (j) violates Articles 3, 4, 12(1) and 14A(2) of the Constitution;

Clause 9 (2) (a) violates Articles 3, 4, 12(1) and 14 of the Constitution;

Clause 19 violates Articles 3, 4, 12(1) and 55 of the Constitution; and

Clauses 43(j) and 43(k) violate Articles 3, 4 and 14A of the Constitution

and may only be passed by the special majority required under the provisions of Article 84(2) of the Constitution, in its present form.

The Court has further determined that the inconsistencies will cease to operate, and the Bill may be passed by a simple majority, if amendments are made to the aforesaid Clauses as directed by the Supreme Court.

I order that the determination of the Supreme Court be printed in the Official Report of today's proceedings.