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ADDENDUM TO THE ORDER BOOK No. 1

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NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR WHICH NO DATES HAVE BEEN FIXED

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Hon. (Dr.) Major Pradeep Undugoda,— Select Committee of Parliament to investigate into and to make suitable recommendations relating to the disasters caused by New Diamond and X-press Pearl Vessels in the Maritime Zone of Sri Lanka,— Whereas the catastrophe caused by New Diamond and X-press Pearl Vessels has caused a huge damage to the marine ecosystem and aquatic species of Sri Lanka during the last few years;

And whereas Environmentalists have expressed views to the effect that the impact of both these disasters will affect for several more years;

And whereas it is noted that a controversial discussion on various interventions and weaknesses caused during the accidents and aftermath of them has cropped up again in the society and several deals between the vessel's insurance companies and the incidents with names of several individuals related to those deals have been disclosed in and outside the House of Parliament by a number of Members of Sri Lankan Parliament and media had given an extensive publicity for those revelations;

And whereas we, as representatives of the people thoroughly believe that the truth behind these incidents should be disclosed; and

This Parliament resolves that a Select Committee of Parliament be appointed to investigate into and to make suitable recommendations relating to the disasters caused by New Diamond and X-press Pearl Vessels in the Maritime Zone of Sri Lanka.

2. (a) that the Chair and Members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Speaker; and
(b) that notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 101 of Parliament, the Committee shall consist of fifteen (15) Members.
 3. That the Committee shall have the power to—
 - (a) fix its quorum;
 - (b) summon any person to appear before it, to require any person to procure any document or record, to procure and receive all such evidence, written or oral, as the Committee may think it necessary for the fullest consideration of the matters referred to above;
 - (c) obtain the services of specialists and experts in the relevant fields to assist the Committee; and
 - (d) make interim reports from time to time and to sit notwithstanding any adjournment or prorogation of Parliament.
 4. The Committee shall present its report to Parliament within a period of two months (02) from the first meeting of the Committee or within such further period as Parliament may grant.
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