

PETITION

To The Honourable The Speaker and Members of The House of Representatives Assembled in Parliament:

This petition of certain citizens and residents of Australia draws the attention of the House to the campaign of terror waged by the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) against the people of Sri Lanka and their democratically elected representatives for nearly three decades in an attempt to carve out a mono ethnic separate state from the sovereign territory of the island of Sri Lanka.

The Tamil Tigers have escalated their customary suicide attacks and bombings on non military targets including the public transport network of Sri Lanka over the past months, killing several hundred civilians including women and children, and seriously injuring scores of others.

We therefore request the House to:

- Call on the LTTE to immediately release all persons it holds under duress, and demand that they be granted freedom of movement and safe passage out of conflict zones.
- Continue Humanitarian assistance to the people of Sri Lanka while ensuring that financial and material aid is not siphoned off by the LTTE and its front organisations.
- Impress upon the Tamil Tigers and its overseas support Lobby that the LTTE must immediately cease all forms of terrorism, decommission their weapons, release all child soldiers and prisoners before it can be considered a credible participant in any future negotiations.
- Impose further sanctions on the LTTE by listing it under the Australian Criminal Code Act of 1995.

Thanking You.