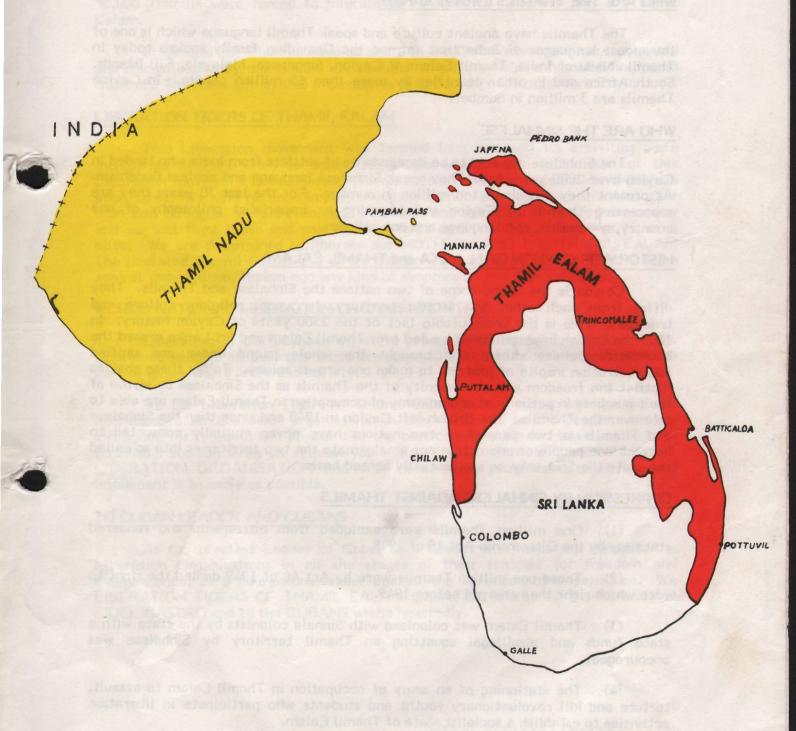
TO ALL COMRADES ATTENDING THE XI<sup>th</sup> WORLD FESTIVAL YOUTH AND STUDENTS - IN CUBA - 1978

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CEYLON = THAMIL EALAM + SRI LANKA

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### Dear Comrades

We "LIBERATION TIGERS OF THAMIL EALAM" struggling for freedom and independence from SINHALA IMPERIALISTS OF SRI LANKA wish to tell you about us and request you to extend your friendship and solidarity to us to form the WORLD NATIONAL LIBERATION ORGANISATION (WNLO) to fight against imperialism and to strengthen friendship and peace among students, youths and people of the world. The following information is given for your consideration.

### WHO ARE THE THAMILS (DRAVIDIANS)?

The Thamils have ancient culture and speak Thamil language which is one of the oldest languages of India that formed the Dravidian family spoken today in Thamil Nadu of India, Thamil Ealam of Ceylon, Singapore, Malaysia, Fiji Islands, South Africa and in other countries by more than 65 million people. In Ceylon Thamils are 3 million in number.

## WHO ARE THE SINHALESE

The Sinhalese are said to be descendants of settlers from India who landed in Ceylon over 2000 years ago. They speak Sinhalese language and profess Buddhism. At present they are about ten million in number. For the last 30 years they are suppressing Thamils of Ceylon and imposing an imperialist philosophy of one country, one nation, one language and one religion.

### HISTORY OF CEYLON (SRI LANKA and THAMIL EALAM)

Ceylon is the island home of two nations the Sinhalese and Thamils. They differ from each other by history, territory, language, religion, culture and tradition. This is the undisputable fact of the 2500 years of Ceylon history. In 1833 the British Imperialists who ruled over Thamil Ealam and Sri Lanka erased the boundaries between them and brought the whole island under one unified administration inspite of protests to make one crown colony. Today these shakles restrict the freedom and sovereignity of the Thamils as the Sinhalese by virtue of their numbers in parliament and an army of occupation in Thamil Ealam are able to rule over the Thamils. The British left Ceylon in 1948 and since then the Sinhalese and Thamils as two peoples or two nations have never mutually consented to become one people or one nation nor amalgamate the two territories into so called one state the Sri Lanka on any mutually agreed basis.

#### **OPPRESSION BY SINHALESE AGAINST THAMILS**

(1) One million Thamils were excluded from citizenship and rendered stateless by the Citizenship Act 18 of 1948.

(2) These one million Thamils were by Act 48 of 1949 denied the right to vote which right they enjoyed before 1949.

(3) Thamil Ealam was colonised with Sinhala colonists by the state with a state funds and alsoillegal squatting on Thamil territory by Sinhalese was encouraged.

(4) The stationing of an army of occupation in Thamil Ealam to assault, torture and kill revoluntionary youths and students who participate in liberation activities to establish a socialist state of Thamil Ealam.

(5) Deliberate neglect and refusal to develop Thamil Ealam.

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(6) Sinhala language was made the official language of Thamil Ealam.

(7) Thamils were excluded from the public service in large numbers to which they had access earlier on the basis of merit and also dismissed or not confirmed for lack of proficiency in Sinhala.

(8) Thamil Students qualified on the basis of merit were excluded from admission to the University by racial discrimination and manipulation of marks.

(9) The Thamil workers who earn 65 percent of the foreign exchange for the government are made slaves and suppressed to the point of starvation and death by Sinhala fascists.

## GENOCIDE

The Sinhala imperialists the racists let loose a spate of violence and terrorism in the years 1956, 1958, 1974, 1976 and 1977 against innocent Thamils committing murder, rape, arson, looting, burning people alive, destroying temples and economy of Thamil Ealam etc. These type of uncivilised, uncultured, barbaric acts are encouraged by the so called educated Sinhala leadership the imperialists. In August 1977 due to terrible violence initiated and directed against the Thamils by the Sinhala government, Police Force, Army, Hooligans and racists more than 50,000 Thamils were forced to migrate as refugees to Northern part of Thamil Ealam.

In general the Thamils have no share in the Government and are suppressed and discriminated by the Sinhala imperialists in all the fields a human being could think of. The main aim of this imperialists is to liquidate Thamils from Ceylon.

# LIBERATION TIGERS OF THAMIL EALAM

This Liberation movement was formed long ago and its activities were intensified in 1972 when so called Sri Lanka was created. The aim of this Liberation movement is to liberate Thamil Ealam from the exploitation of Sinhala imperialist. We have no hope in parliamentary democracy and no alternative other than arm struggle. We are resorted to violence and terrorism to destroy our enemy and we will fight tooth and nail for our rights until the last Liberation Tiger is alive. We are determined to liberate our MOTHER LAND THE THAMIL EALAM The liberated Thamil Ealam will be an INdependant Socialist Republic and will be against imperialism, facism and any kind of suppression and discrimination.

#### WORLD NATIONAL LIBERATION ORGANISATION (WNLO)

Liberation is the keynote of world progress and world community today. Oppressed peoples all over the world are engaged in total liberation movements as part of a new world order and society.

We the Liberation Tigers of Thamil Ealam extend our friendship and cooperation to all liberation organisation in the world and to the people who are struggling for freedom and peace. For the best co-operation and to strengthen the friendship and solidarity we request you all to join us to form WORLD NATIONAL LIBERATION ORGANISATION and draw a common programme of action and implement it as early as possible.

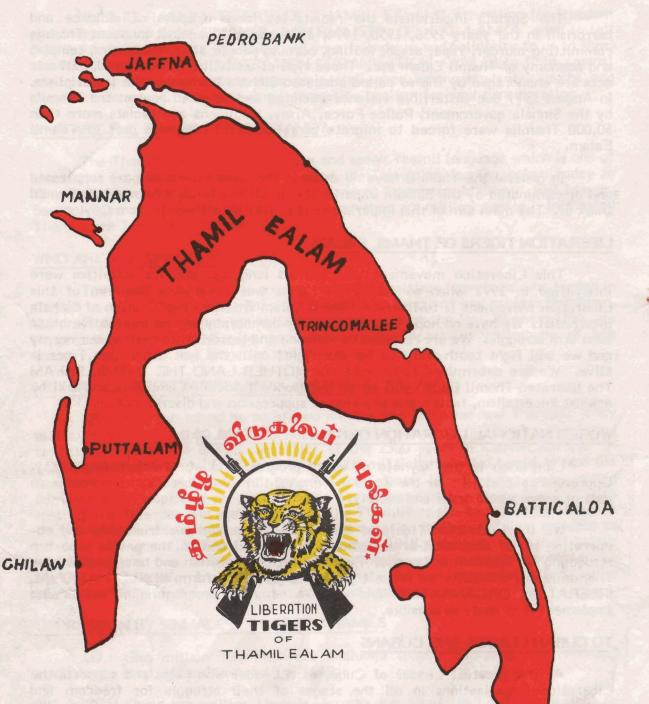
### TO CUBAN LEADER AND CUBANS

As the greatest Leader of Cuba, as a Leader who helps and supports the Liberation Organisations in all the stages of their struggle for freedom and independence, as a courageous leader against the agression of imperialism. We LIBERATION TIGERS OF THAMIL EALAM extend our thanks to the Honourable FIDEL CASTRO and to the CUBANS whole heartedly.

Signed: .....

CHAIRMAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE LIBERATION TIGERS OF THAMIL EALAM. WHO EVER DOES NOT RECOGNISE AND DOES NOT CHAMPION THE EQUALITY OF NATIONAL OPPRESSION OR INEQUALITY IS NOT A MARXIST IS NOT EVEN A DEMOCRAT Quienquiera que no reconoce y no soportala opresion nacional y la desigualdad

no es marxista ni tan solo es democrata



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