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Press Release

Ensuring the safety of tourists - Police Headquarters.

It has been observed from the information received so far that a large number of tourists are scheduled to visit Sri Lanka in the upcoming season. This opens up a great opportunity for Sri Lanka to boost its economy while earning the trust and respect of foreign nationals towards Sri Lanka. As a state that is renowned for its popularity as a famous tourist destination, we shall be held responsible for creating a hospitable environment for tourists to derive pleasure, entertainment, and knowledge with a great sense of security.

Taking the war situation in the Middle East and Eastern Europe into account, a special program for ensuring the safety of tourists is scheduled to be prepared and implemented by Sri Lanka Police and the Intelligence Units under the guidance and coordination of the Ministry of Defense and the Ministry of Public Security. The Tourist Police Division will be further strengthened, and the Acting Inspector General of Police, Mr. Priyantha Weerasooriya, will give special instructions to all police stations in this regard. As an initial step, the emergency telephone line 1997 has been made available for tourists from today onwards to inform any security-related matters to Sri Lanka Police.

The role played by the owners of tourist hotels, their staff, and all persons who are engaged in the field of tourism is highly appreciated, and the police expect that they will take the best possible measures within their scope to protect the lives and property of tourists in the future. In any situation,

they may coordinate with the police stations in the area, and necessary instructions will be given to the police stations in the future.

All parties should pay attention to the threats that may be caused by thieves and harassment by certain employees. Further, the Sri Lanka Police will act in this regard with a new program in the future.

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