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AN ACT TO AMEND THE NOTARIES ORDINANCE

BE it enacted by the Parliament of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Notaries (Amendment) Act, No. 47 of 2011. Short title.

2. Section 31 of the Notaries Ordinance (Chapter 107) (hereinafter referred to as the “principal enactment”) is hereby amended by the repeal of paragraph (a) of subsection (16) thereof and substitution therefor of the following paragraph :— Amendment of section 31 of Chapter 107.

“(16) (a) He shall not authenticate or attest any deed or instrument, other than a will or codicil, affecting land or other immovable property, unless the deed or instrument embodies therein or in a Schedule annexed thereto an accurate and clear description of the said land or other property affected thereby, showing its boundaries, extent, situation specifying the district, pattu, korale, Divisional Secretary’s Division, local authority division and the Grama Niladari Division, and the village within the District in which the land is situated and in case the land is situated in any municipality, town or development area, declared under section 2 of the Municipal Councils Ordinance (Chapter 252) section 2 of the Urban Councils’ Ordinance (Chapter 255) and section 2 of the Pradeshiya Sabha Act, No. 15 of 1987 respectively, the assessment number and the name, if any, of the street, in which it is situated.”.

Amendment of section 31 of the principal enactment.

3. Section 31 of the principal enactment is hereby amended in subsection (26) as follows:—

(1) by the renumbering of paragraph (a) of that subsection as sub-paragraph (i) of paragraph (a) thereof;

(2) by the insertion immediately after the re-numbered sub-paragraph (i) of paragraph (a) of the following:—

“(ii) a certified copy of the list prepared under subparagraph (i) above shall be sent to the Commissioner or Secretary of the respective local authority, within whose area of authority the land described in the Schedule is situated;”.

Replacement of Form F of the Second Schedule.

4. Second Schedule to the principal enactment is hereby amended in Form “F” thereof, by the substitution for the heading to column 6 of the aforesaid form, of the heading “Name of each local authority affected by each property in the Deed”.

Sinhala text to prevail in case of inconsistency

5. In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala and Tamil texts of this Act, the Sinhala text shall prevail.

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