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**MUTUAL ASSISTANCE IN CRIMINAL MATTERS ACT, No. 25 2002**

Order under Section 2

BY virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 2 of the Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters Act, No. 25 of 2002, I, Harshana Nanayakkara, Minister of Justice and National Integration do by this Order declare that the provisions of the aforesaid Act, shall apply in respect of the Treaty between the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the Government of the Republic of Maldives signed in July, 2025. This Treaty which was made between the Government of Sri Lanka and the Government of the Republic of Maldives deals with mutual legal assistance in criminal matters and concerns *inter alia* the improved effectiveness on the part of both parties to the Treaty through cooperation and mutual legal assistance in criminal matters in relation to the prevention, investigation, prosecution and suppression of crimes including crimes relating to terrorism and tracing restraint, forfeiture or confiscation of funds meant for financing of terrorism and the proceeds and instruments of crime.

**HARSHANA NANAYAKKARA,**  
Minister of Justice and National Integration.

Colombo,  
24th December, 2025.

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