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## THE GOVERNMENT MEDICAL OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION

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Dr. Ravindra Ruberu, Secretary, Ministry of Health, Colombo.

Dear Sir,

Re: Registration of Private Medical Institutions - 2011

GMOA has reliably understood that Private Health Service regulatory council is in the process of collecting data of our doctors who are engaged in private practice, via the Provincial Directors of the Health Services.

GMOA would like to point out that we have been vehemently objecting to the PMIR Act way back in 2008.

GMOA made representation to His Excellency the President and handed over our proposals on this regard. His Excellency the President directed the Ministry of Health to come up with viable amendments with the consultation of the GMOA, but this process is yet to be completed. Further we would like to highlight that His Excellency directed to exclude all Government Medical Officers from registering under the above Act until necessary amendments are done.

Therefore GMOA request you to take early steps to accelerate this process of amending the Act and until such time to refrain from taking any detrimental actions against our membership.

We have advised our membership to refrain from providing data requested by the Provincial health authorities for the use of the Private Health services regulatory council.

We would like to remind you that should any of our member is penalized, GMOA will be compelled to resort to a strong trade union action without prior notice.

Yours faithfully,

Thank you Yours faithfully

Dr.Chandika Epitakaduwa Secretary

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Secretary to His Excellency the President
Director General of Health Services
All Provincial Director of Health Services
All Regional Director of Health Services
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