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Hon. Dr. Rajitha Senaratne,
Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine,
Ministry of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine,
Colombo 10.

Dear Sir,

SC Contempt No 03/2015 Supreme Court case filed by SAIMT

We are in receipt of information that some student backed by the SAIMT have initiated a case under the contempt of court proceedings against the Health Ministry officials under the above case number.

When this case was taken up for support on 7th December 2015 Honorable Attorney General informed the courts that Attorney General Department has not received any instructions from the officials of the Health Ministry in this regard and the Attorney General's Department has not even received notice up to that time. On 7th December 2015 petitioners suggested to the court if they are allowed to be trained at the government hospitals they can consider the withdrawal of the contempt case filed by them.

We consider this as a move to threaten the Ministry officials and to obtain their consent for training of SAIMT students in the government hospitals, which is illegal and unethical.

We like to draw your attention that government hospitals are maintained by utilizing the public funds and any move to allocate such resources by the Ministry officials would amount to an offence committed under the public property act.

We also like to stress that the SAIMT charges colossal amounts of money for training of its medical students and therefore not entitled to use public resources.

In the event if any officials attached to the ministry are willing to consent for the training allocation as requested by the SAIMT, we as the GMOA will not hesitate to oppose that move even at the cost of a trade union action as well as by way of a legal actions against them for misuse of the public property, and other laws available.

We also intends to take every possible action against them under the bribery and corruption laws for betraying the rights of the citizens for a pittance obtainable from the SAIMT, against the government policy of good governance.

If you can provide us with the copy of the official notices received with regard to the above case, we also can intervene in to this case and assist you to counter the contempt charges.

Thank You

Yours faithfully

Dr. Nalinda Herath
Secretary

Cc: Director General of Health Services
Legal Officer – Ministry of Health