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In relation to the news item aired on GTV on Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th June 2010 relating to named individual Dr Arudkumar's recent visit to Sri Lanka, British Tamils Forum would like to clarify that this visit was undertaken without the knowledge of British Tamils Forum and to emphasize that he did not attend as our representative. We kindly request that this misinformation on your part is rectified with immediate effect.

Also, the British Tamils Forum meeting that was held on Sunday 27th was not arranged to discuss this matter. The meeting that was held was a lobby workshop planned a month ago which was well attended by activists from all over the UK and took place successfully.

Further, in an effort to avoid such misrepresentations from occurring in future, we kindly urge GTV to act responsibly by verifying such news items before broadcasting.

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Notes to Editors:

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