



PRESS STATEMENT

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Reports alleging that a terrorist involved in Easter Sunday attack visited Maldives is incorrect

Maldives Immigration can confirm that, based on our records, the Sri Lankan national known as Moulvi Zahran Hashim, involved in the Easter Sunday terrorist attack in Sri Lanka has not traveled to Maldives in the past five years or even beyond that. Reports in the media alleging that the said individual visited the Maldives during this said period are unsubstantiated and incorrect.

At this difficult time, to avoid confusion and disruption, we request media organizations to verify such information from the authorities concerned before circulating in the public.

Maldives Immigration is aware of the current threat dynamics, following the attack in Sri Lanka and will continue to work with local and international security agencies, prioritizing border security measures, to counter terrorism and related cross-border crimes.

