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Executive summary

— 2009

The end-stage of the armed conflict and the unresolved accountability file. The anchor pack for every Tamil Genocide Remembrance Day statement (18 May) and every FCDO follow-up on Sri Lanka.

01 · Executive summary

- Tamil Genocide Remembrance Day (18 May) statements in the Commons or Lords. - Calls for an international accountability mechanism. - Letters to FCDO on UN Human Rights Council resolution 51/1 implementation. - Adjournment debates on Sri Lanka.

02 · Recommendations to each party

- UN Report of the Secretary-General's Panel of Experts on Accountability in Sri Lanka (2011) — Credible allegations of war crimes and crimes against humanity by both parties. (tlte-cite: un-poe-2011) - OHCHR Investigation on Sri Lanka (OISL) 2015 — The most extensive UN investigation. Specific patterns of violations documented. (tlte-cite: ohchr-oisl-2015) - OHCHR Sri Lanka Accountability Project — periodic reports. (tlte-cite: ohchr-srilanka-project) - UN Human Rights Council Resolution 51/1 (2022) — UK is a co-sponsor. (tlte-cite: unhrc-51-1) - ICG — Sri Lanka: A Bitter Peace (2010). (tlte-cite: icg-2010) - Amnesty International — When Will They Get Justice? (2011). (tlte-cite: amnesty-2011)

03 · Introduction

18 May is the date Tamil communities worldwide mark the end of the war and remember civilian dead. The figure most widely cited (40,000+ killed in the final months) comes from the UN Panel of Experts 2011 — cite the source, not the number alone.

04 · Section I · structural record

- Never use the figure "146,000" or any aggregated death toll without naming the originating body. The UN PoE 2011 figure is "tens of thousands" with 40,000+ as a credible estimate. - Never frame Mullivaikkal as a closed historical event. The accountability file is open — UN OHCHR continues to report. - Pair every "Tamil civilian" reference with acknowledgement of Muslim and Sinhala civilian harm where Tier-A sources document it.

05 · Section II · current dynamics

1. UK Government (FCDO) — Publicly support renewal and strengthening of the OHCHR Sri Lanka Accountability Project mandate at the next UNHRC session. 2. UK Government (FCDO) — Publish UK assessment of Sri Lanka's progress against the benchmarks in UNHRC resolution 51/1. 3. UK MPs — Mark Mullivaikkal on 18 May with a Hansard-recorded statement that cites a Tier-A UN source.

06 · Section III · risks and openings

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