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It is hereby notified that the Election Commission that met on 2023-03-16 has decided as follows

Recognized political parties should hand over their audited statements of accounts under Section 8 (4) of the Parliamentary Elections Act, No. 1 of 1981. However, on a number of occasions political parties that have failed to submit their statements of accounts for the year 2021 as yet, have been notified to submit the same. Accordingly, the Election Commission decided to inform under registered cover the political parties that have not to date (2023-03-16) submitted their statements of accounts for the year 2021 to submit the same within 14 days from today and to terminate the right to be treated as recognized political parties under Section 9(3) of the aforesaid Act, of the parties that fail to comply with the said order.

It was also decided to conduct a discussion with the secretaries of recognized political parties that contest the local government election 2023 on 2023-03-23 at 10.00 a.m. at the Election Secretariat.

Since it was decided to issue to the media the official notifications and information of the Election Commission which are deemed necessary to be published by the media weekly or earlier as deemed necessary under the hand of the Commissioner General of Elections, all media are kindly requested to refrain from obtaining and publishing unofficial notifications or information from other sources and to notify that the Election Commission shall not be responsible for any such false notifications and information.

By order of the Election Commission

Saman Sri Ratnayake

Commissioner General of Elections