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Dear Friends of Uduvil and Jaffna Colleges:

At the request of Bishop Thiagarajah, several trustees of the Trustees of Jaffna College Funds met informally with Mr. M.A. Sumanthiran on Monday, October 2nd. We appreciated the willingness of Mr. Sumanthiran, who was traveling on business in the U.S. and Canada, to make a special trip to Boston where four local Trustees could conveniently meet with him. We met at the downtown Boston office of the manager of TJCF's endowment. I did not attend the meeting and so base this letter on what was reported to me.

The meeting, including lunch, lasted for about two hours, during which Mr. Sumanthiran provided his perspective on issues he experiences as a Christian politician in Sri Lanka. He also described some of the challenges that the educational system in the Jaffna region faces following the end of the civil war. We found it helpful to hear about country-wide issues that may have some impact on the schools we support.

We did not discuss Jaffna College or Uduvil Girls School in detail. Mr. Sumanthiran did not suggest, nor did we offer, to take any new action with respect to the colleges. Our commitment, as conveyed in our recent letters, to the goals of good governance and transparency at the schools remains unchanged. We continue to believe that moving toward full implementation of these goals is in the long-term best interests of the students.

In closing, we want to extend our appreciation to Mr. Sumanthiran for taking the time to meet with us and to convey some of his thoughts. We are sympathetic to the many challenges that confront our beneficiary institutions during the post-war period, and we continue to pray for their future prosperity and success.

Sincerely,



The Rev. Richard H. Huleatt
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