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<u>Centre for Environmental Justice</u> <u>condemn the brutal attack in Sri Lanka and call for unconditional peace</u> across the nation

The Centre for Environmental Justice join all peace-loving people in the world in condemning the brutal attack that claimed the lives and injured innocent people on Easter Sunday, 21st April 2019. These bomb attacks in Sri Lanka in churches, hotels and other locations in Colombo, Negombo and Batticaloe killed more than 207 people with over 500 people wounded. This act is very brutal and barbaric and we cannot believe that how one can kill innocent women, men and children gone to the Easter Sunday prayers.

Sri Lankan communities are just coming out from the fear and psychosis from the 3-decade civil war specially in the North and Eastern provinces. We are still rebuilding the peace process within the Sri Lankan society. It is clear that those who are behind these attacks may have the motivation to create more tension in this multi religious society and disrupt the peace efforts since 2009.

Centre for Environmental Justice calls people in Sri Lanka not to depart from peace which is the only way to build a one nation to bring a safer country for our future generation. We call fellow citizens to join hands together to fight the evil forces in Sri Lanka and across the world.

In our work we consider love and nature are the true forces to build the peace around the world. The world is dying every day due to the over consumption, destruction of the natural resources, environmental pollution, increased inequality among the societies which has resulted from the neoliberal model. This require united peaceful actions and not barbaric actions such as this. Killing innocent people will not build that peaceful and equal society.

CEJ call the international community to be in solidarity with Sri Lankan's and help to build peace across the communities. Nothing can be achieved through violence!

Signed

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