



**PARLIAMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC  
SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF  
SRILANKA**

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**COMMERCIAL MEDIATION CENTRE OF  
SRI LANKA (AMENDMENT)**

**A**

**BILL**

**to amend the Commercial Mediation Centre of Sri Lanka  
Act, No. 44 of 2000**

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*Presented by the Minister of Foreign Employment and Minister of Justice  
on 21st of November, 2017*

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*STATEMENT OF LEGAL EFFECT*

*Clause 2* : This clause amends section 5 of the Commercial Mediation Centre of Sri Lanka Act, No. 44 of 2000 (hereinafter referred to as the “principal enactment”), and the legal effect of the section as amended is to increase the number of members of the Board of Management of the Commercial Mediation Centre with a view to ensuring better co-ordination among the line agencies.

*Clause 3* : This clause amends section 6 of the principal enactment and the legal effect of the section as amended is to enable the Minister to appoint the Chairman of the Board of Management and to specify the manner by which the Chairman can be removed from office.

*Commercial Mediation Centre of Sri Lanka*  
(Amendment)

L.D.—O. 29/2017

AN ACT TO AMEND THE COMMERCIAL MEDIATION CENTRE OF  
SRI LANKA ACT, NO. 44 OF 2000

BE it enacted by the Parliament of the Democratic Socialist  
Republic of Sri Lanka as follows:—

**1.** This Act may be cited as the Commercial Mediation Centre of Sri Lanka (Amendment) Act, No.      of 2017. Short title.

5      **2.** Section 5 of the Commercial Mediation Centre of Sri Lanka Act, No. 44 of 2000 (hereinafter referred to as the “principal enactment”) is hereby amended as follows:— Amendment of section 5 of Act, No. 44 of 2000.

(1) in subsection (1) thereof,—

10      (a) by the repeal of all the words and figure from “(1) The administration and Management” to the words “appointed by the Minister:—” and the substitution therefor of the following:—

15      “(1) The administration and Management of the affairs of the Centre shall be vested in a Board of Management (hereinafter referred to as the “Board”) which shall consist of the following members:—

(i) the following *ex-officio* members, namely—

20      (a) the Secretary to the Ministry of the Minister assigned the subject of Justice or his nominee above the rank of Senior Assistant Secretary;

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(b) the Secretary to the Treasury or  
his nominee above the rank of  
Director to Treasury;

5                   (ii) the following members appointed by  
the Minister:-”;

(b) by the repeal of paragraph (e) and the  
substitution therefor of the following:-

10                   “(e) two members nominated by the  
Minister assigned the subject of  
Justice;”;

15                   (2) In subsection (7) thereof, by the substitution for the  
words and figures “paragraphs (a), (b), (c), or (d) of  
subsection (1)” of the words and figures “sub-  
paragraphs (a), (b), (c), or (d) of paragraph (ii) of  
subsection (1)”.

3. Section 6 of the principal enactment is hereby      Amendment  
amended as follows:-      of section 6  
of the  
principal  
enactment.

(1) by the repeal of subsection (1) and the substitution  
therefor of the following:-

20                   “(1) The Minister shall appoint one of the  
members of the Board as its Chairman.”;

(2) in subsection (2) thereof, by the substitution for the  
words “addressed to the Board.” of the words  
“addressed to the Minister.”;

25                   (3) by the repeal of subsection (3) and the substitution  
therefor of the following:-

“(3) The Minister may, upon resolution adopted  
by the Board supported by not less than one half of

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the total membership of the Board, remove the  
Chairman from the office of Chairman.”.

4. In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala and Tamil texts of this Act, the Sinhala text shall prevail.
- Sinhala text  
to prevail in  
case of  
inconsistency.

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