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AN ACT TO AMEND THE FINANCE ACT, No. 5 of 2005

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Finance (Amendment) Short title. Act, No. 8 of 2008.

2. The Finance Act, No. 5 of 2005 (hereinafter referred to as the "principal enactment") is hereby amended in section 2 of Part I of that Act (Imposition of Social Responsibility Levy) as follows:—

Amendment of Section 2 of Act,No. 5 of 2005.

- (1) by the repeal of paragraph (b) of that section, and the substitution therefor of the following new paragraphs:—
 - "(b) for the period commencing on January 1, 2006 and ending on December 31, 2007 at the rate of 1 *per centum*; and
 - (c) for the period commencing on January 1, 2008 at the rate of 1.5 per centum."; and
- (2) by the repeal of second proviso to that section and the substitution therefor of the following:—
 - "Provided futher that the Social Responsibility Levy chargeable—
 - (a) under the provisions of the Inland Revenue Act, No. 38 of 2000, in terms of the provisions of this Part of this Act on income tax, shall, in respect of the period commencing on January 1, 2006 and ending on March 31, 2006 be calculated at the rate of 0.25 per centum; and

- (b) under the provisions of the Inland Revenue Act, No. 10 of 2006 in terms of the provisions of this Part of this Act on income tax shall—
 - (i) in respect of the period commencing on April 1, 2006 and ending on March 31, 2008 be calculated at the rate of 1.0 per centum;
 - (ii) in respect of the period commencing on April 1, 2008 be calculated at the rate of 1.5 per centum;.".

Insertion of new section 6A in the principal enactment.

3. The following new section is inserted immediately after section 6 of the principal enactment shall have effect as section 6A of that enactment:—

"Interpretation for this Part.

6A. For the purposes of this Part—

"company" shall have the same meaning in as in the Inland Revenue Act, No. 10 of 2006.".

Amendment of Schedule I of the principal enactment.

- 4. Schedule 1 of the principal enactment is hereby amended by the substitution for item 5 thereof the following new items:-
 - "5. The Inland Revenue Act, No. 10 of 2006, other than the provisions of Chapters XVI, XVII and XXI and sections 36 and 65 in so far as such Act applies to the period commencing April 1, 2006 and ending on March 31, 2008.".
 - 6. The Inland Revenue Act, No. 10 of 2006 (other than the provision of Chapters XVI, XVII and XXI and sections 36 to 65, in so far as such Act applies to any company and to any period commencing on or after April 1, 2008.".

5. The amendment made to—

Retrospective effect.

- (a) subsection (1) of section 2 of the principal enactment, by subsection (1) of section 2 of this Act shall for all purposes to be deemed to have come into operation on January 1, 2008;
- (b) subsection (2) of section 2 of the principal enactment, by subsection (2) of section 2 of this Act and the amendment to the First Schedule made by section 4 of this Act shall come into operation on April 1, 2008.
- **6.** 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.

