



18th June 2024

Mr. Renuke Wijayawardhane
Chief Operating Officer
Colombo Stock Exchange
4-01, West Block, World Trade Centre
Echelon Square, Colombo 1

Our Ref: BUKIT/CSE/ANN/2024/MK/03

Dear Sir,

**ANNOUNCEMENT
BUKIT DARAH PLC**

1. RESIGNATION OF MR. ISRAEL PAULRAJ - NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

In terms of Rule 9.10.3 of the Listing Rules of the Colombo Stock Exchange, we wish to inform that **Mr. Israel Paulraj, Non-Executive Director has resigned from the Board of Bukit Darah PLC with effect from 17th June 2024.**

In terms of Rule 7.8.b of the Listing Rules of the Colombo Stock Exchange, we wish to disclose that Mr. Israel Paulraj had a Relevant Interest in the Ordinary and 8% Participating Cumulative Preference Shares of the Company as stated below and that he no longer has a Relevant Interest in the following Ordinary Shares and 8% Participating Cumulative Preference Shares of the Company with effect from 17th June 2024.

Mr. I. Paulraj	1,127 - Ordinary Shares	In terms of Section 198 (1) (a) & (b) – beneficial owner of the shares and has the power to exercise any right to vote attached to the shares.
	26,709,031 - Ordinary Shares 31,875 - 8% Participating Cumulative Preference Shares	In terms of Section 198 (1) (c) & (e) – has the power to control the exercise of any right to vote attached to the shares and the acquisition or disposition of the shares by another person by being a Board member of the Companies that hold shares with the concurrence of the other members of the respective Boards.

2. APPOINTMENT OF MR. NARAYANAN GIRISH KUMAR AS AN INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

In terms of Rule 9.10.2 of the Listing Rules of the Colombo Stock Exchange, we wish to inform that **Mr. Narayanan Girish Kumar joined the Board of Bukit Darah PLC as an Independent Non-Executive Director with effect from 17th June 2024.**

In terms of Rule 9.10.2(i) of the Listing Rules of the Colombo Stock Exchange, a brief resume of the newly appointed Director is as follows:

MR. NARAYANAN GIRISH KUMAR

Girish was the CEO of Apollo Management Singapore, a subsidiary of the New York based global private equity and alternative investment powerhouse. Girish was the founding partner of Apollo Asia's private credit business in the region and was with the group from April 2007 till September 2022.

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During this period, he oversaw two investment funds that invested more than US\$1bn across the Asia Pacific region. He was a board member of Apollo Management Singapore and its various subsidiaries as well as the US\$800m AION India fund, a joint venture with ICICI Ventures.

Prior to that, he was a Managing Director at Merrill Lynch in various investment roles across Asia and Australia. He was a ranked equity analyst for regional banks and was instrumental in raising more than US\$2bn in capital for Indian, Indonesian, Thai and Korean banks after the Asian Banking Crisis.

Girish moved to Australia in 2000 and was a ranked credit analyst for Merrill in Sydney. In 2005, he moved back to Singapore as a senior member of the team heading convertible and high yield research in the region. He was instrumental in participating in growth capital and opportunistic investments in the region's resurgence during the post SARS period.

His investment focus over the last two decades has been in providing hybrid and mezzanine capital for growing companies with limited access to more traditional forms of capital. He is interested in renewable energy and sustainability investing in the Asia Pacific region. His past investments in cleantech have spanned solar PV cell and module manufacturing in China, wind turbine manufacturing companies in India/Europe and wind/solar power IPPs across Asia.

As a Board member, Girish brings together financial and analytical skills, global corporate governance standards and high personal integrity.

An Australian citizen, Girish lives in Singapore. He is also a founder of Chennai based Thunai, a mental health charity focussed on maternal mental health, trauma awareness and resilience.

He has an MBA from Indian Institute of Management Calcutta and a Bachelor of Engineering from College of Engineering Guindy (Anna University), Chennai.

In terms of Rule 7.8.b of the Listing Rules of the Colombo Stock Exchange, we also wish to disclose that **Mr. Narayanan Girish Kumar** does not have any Relevant Interest in the issued Ordinary Shares and 8% Participating Cumulative Preference Shares of Bukit Darah PLC.

3. APPOINTMENT OF MR. AMITHA SAKTHA AMARATUNGA AS AN INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

In terms of Rule 9.10.2 of the Listing Rules of the Colombo Stock Exchange, we wish to inform that **Mr. Amitha Saktha Amaratunga joined the Board of Bukit Darah PLC as an Independent Non-Executive Director with effect from 17th June 2024.**

In terms of Rule 9.10.2(i) of the Listing Rules of the Colombo Stock Exchange, a brief resume of the newly appointed Director is as follows:

MR. AMITHA SAKTHA AMARATUNGA

Mr. Saktha Amaratunga is an Independent, Non-Executive Director of Carson Cumberbatch PLC and Hemas Holdings PLC, Chairman of Carson Cumberbatch PLC and Hemas Holdings PLC - Audit Committees, and a Commissioner of PT Agro Indomas Indonesia, a subsidiary of the Carson Cumberbatch Group. He is also an Audit Committee member of MAS Holdings Ltd.

Previously, Regional Audit Controller (Asia Pacific) for British American Tobacco, he has more than 20 years' experience with British American Tobacco, having performed senior finance roles for the Group in Sri Lanka and the United Kingdom, and also being the Finance Director of British American Tobacco Operations in the Czech Republic, Sri Lanka, Switzerland, Japan and Malaysia (IT Shared Services Organization).

Has many years of experience in Strategy Development, Business Restructuring, Risk and Governance, International Finance and People Development. He is a Fellow Member of the Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka, Associate Member of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants, UK and also a Member of CPA Australia.

In terms of Rule 7.8.b of the Listing Rules of the Colombo Stock Exchange, we wish to disclose that **Mr. Amitha Saktha Amaratunga** has a relevant interest in the Ordinary Shares and 8% Participating Cumulative Preference Shares of the Company in terms of Section 198 (1) of the Companies Act, No. 07 of 2007 as follows:

Mr. A. S. Amaratunga	26,709,031– Ordinary Shares 31,875 - 8% Participating Cumulative Preference Shares	In terms of Section 198 (1) (c) & (e) – has the power to control the exercise of any right to vote attached to the shares and the acquisition or disposition of the shares by another person by being a Board member of the Companies that hold shares with the concurrence of the other members of the respective Boards.
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As required by Rule 9.10.2 of the Listing Rules of the Colombo Stock Exchange, the Company confirms that the Nomination Committee of the Company has reviewed and recommended the appointment of Mr. Narayanan Girish Kumar and Mr. Amitha Saktha Amaratunga for the consideration of the Board.

Yours faithfully,
For and on behalf of
BUKIT DARAH PLC
Carsons Management Services (Private) Limited



Director
Secretaries
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