

Decree Number 2012/4
Changes brought to the ‘Commission of National Inquiry’
Decree of the President of the Maldives

I, Mohamed Waheed, President of the Republic of Maldives order and decree the following.

Whereas, identifying the need for an independent and impartial investigation of the change of government and related events of 7th February 2012, for the ongoing peace of the Maldives;

Whereas, entrusting the Commission of National Inquiry with the independent and impartial investigations of the following issues; the events that transpired in the Maldives from the 14th of January 2012 to the 8th of February 2012, the change of government on the 7th of February 2012, whether the resignation of the then President Mohamed Nasheed was illegal and coerced, and whether the government changed legally on 7th February 2012;

This Decree shall thus reconstitute the ‘Commission of National Inquiry’ established under the Presidential Decree Number: 2012/2 (21 February 2012);

Thus, the commission now constitutes of Mr. Ismail Shafeeu, Justice G. Pannirselvam, Dr. Ibrahim Yasir Ahmed, Dr. Ali Fawaz, and Mr. Ahmed Saeed. The co-chairs of the Commission shall be Mr. Ismail Shafeeu and Justice G. Pannirselvam. The work of the commission shall commence according to the annexed ‘Regulation of the Commission’.

I request Prosecutor General Uz. Ahmed Muizzu to oversee the work of the Commission to ensure that it is in line with existing laws;

On completion of the said investigations, I request the Commission to submit a report to the President of the People’s Majlis, Prosecutor General, Attorney General and me.

This decree was written and signed on 27th of Rajab 1433 of the Hijri Calendar, which falls on the 17th of June 2012 being a Thursday, in Male’, the capital of Maldives.



(National Emblem)

President of the Republic of Maldives

Decree Number 4/2012

Revising [the Composition of] the “Commission of National Enquiry”

Presidential Decree

I, Mohamed Waheed, President of the Republic of Maldives, hereby order and decree as follows:

WHEREAS, it is necessary, for the perpetual national interest of the Maldives, to conduct an independent and impartial investigation of the change of Government that occurred on 7th February 2012 and the events that transpired therewith;

WHEREAS, the Commission of National Inquiry is tasked with the mandate of conducting an independent and impartial inquiry into the events that occurred in the Maldives from 14th January 2012 to 8th February 2012 and the events leading to the change of Government on 7th February 2012 in order to determine whether the resignation from Office of the then President Mr. Mohamed Nasheed was a result of duress and whether the change of Government on 7th February 2012 was illegal;

NOW, THEREFORE, I hereby proclaim this Decree to:

Revise [the composition of] the Commission of National Inquiry established under Presidential Decree Number 2/2012 (21 February 2012) as provided herewith in this Decree;

Declare that the Members of the Commission of National Inquiry shall be Mr. Ismail Shafeeu, Justice G. Pannir Selvam, Dr. Ibrahim Yasir Ahmed, Dr. Ali Fawaz Shareef, Mr. Ahmed Saeed; and that the Co-Presidents of the Commission shall be Mr. Ismail Shafeeu and Justice G. Pannir Selvam, and that the Commission shall carry out its mandate in accordance with the “Rules of Procedure” forming part of this Decree;

Appeal to the Prosecutor General Uz. Ahmed Muizzu to carry out oversight of the work of the Commission of National Inquiry and to ensure that its work is carried out in accordance with the laws of the Maldives;

Request the Commission of National Inquiry to submit, upon completion of its work, a report of its findings, to myself, the Speaker of the People’s Majlis, the Prosecutor General and the Attorney General.

DONE in Male', the Capital of the Republic of Maldives, this Twenty Seventh day of the month of *Rajab* in the *Hijri* Year Fourteen Hundred and Thirty Three, corresponding to the Seventeenth day of June in the Year Two Thousand and Twelve.

Mohamed Waheed
President of the Republic of Maldives