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### PRESS STATEMENT

The Maldives Police Service is currently investigating the act of terror targeting the Speaker of Parliament, former President Mohamed Nasheed, which occurred on 6th May 2021 in Neeloafaru Hingunn, as an urgent priority. All necessary resources available for investigation and forensic teams are being utilized to aid in this purpose. To further assist in the investigation, two experts from the Australian Federal Police will arrive in the Maldives tomorrow morning. Additionally, two UNODC technical experts from the UK, based in the Maldives, are currently assisting the investigation. All evidence indicates that this was a deliberate act of terror, targeting the Speaker of Majlis, and former President, Mohamed Nasheed.

The country's security services, including the Maldives National Defence Force, and the Maldives Police Service, are currently taking all necessary steps to ensure the safety and security of citizens, and are enhancing protective measures in the Male' region.

If any individual noted any suspicious activity near the time and at the area of the incident, we urge them to report that information to the designated hotline, which can be reached by dialling 9704000. We emphasize that we will respect and maintain the anonymity of individuals who contact the Police to give information.

07<sup>th</sup> of May 2021

