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Dr Anil Jasinghe Director General of Health Services Ministry of Health Colombo

Dear Sir,

Safety and security of healthcare personnel involved in the treatment of COVID 19 patients

There is growing uncertainty and insecurity among the medical personnel attending corona patients.

This is mainly due to lack of proper safety measures amidst its high infectivity. These personnel are equally worried and anxious about taking the virus to their household. I've got to know about some doctors on the verge of resigning due to this.

As human beings we all in health care delivery are equally perturbed by the fact that it could be fatal in some.

We therefore request you to introduce a life insurance scheme for all health care providers at least to allay their anxiety and to secure the future of their dependents.

Please consider this as priority to win and boost the morale of dedicated healthcare personnel.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully, Dr Lalantha Ranasingha ASSOCIATION OF MEDICAL SPECIALISTS President No. 06, Wijerama Mawatha, Colomba 07.

Cc. 1. Hon. Minister of Health 2. Presidential Task Force on COVID-19 3. Secretary, Ministry of Health