

Ministry of Public Administration,
Independence Square,
Colombo 7.

29th May, 1987

To All Secretaries to Ministries.

I wish to draw your kind attention to Article 55 (2) of the Constitution which reads as follows:-

" The Cabinet of Ministers shall not delegate its powers of appointment, transfer, dismissal and disciplinary control in respect of Heads of Departments."

2. The Cabinet of Ministers is vested with the appointment, transfer, dismissal and disciplinary control of Additional Secretaries, Government Agents and Senior Assistant Secretaries.

3. As far as the Ministry of Public Administration is concerned, please note these provisions in regard to any officer of the Sri Lanka Administrative Service, Sri Lanka Engineering Service, Sri Lanka Accountants' Service and the Sri Lanka Scientific Service.

(D.B.I.P.S. Siriwardhana)

Secretary

Ministry of Public Administration.

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- i. to ensure that the above provisions are complied with in regard to any action for such appointment, transfer, dismissal and disciplinary control.

- ii. where the request is made for the transfer of an officer with a view to appointment as a Head of Department, I shall make the order for transfer to the Ministry concerned and the Secretary to that Ministry will have to obtain Cabinet approval for appointment.

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