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HON. MOHABIR ANIL NANDLALL, M.P.

Mr. Aubrey Heath-Retemyer Deputy Director State Asset Recovery Agency

13th October 2020

Dear Mr. Heath-Retemyer,

RE: Termination of Employment

I act on behalf of the Government of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana.

You are employed by the State Asset Recovery Agency (SARA) as Deputy Director for five years for the period 2017-09-01 to 2022-08-31 by virtue of a contract in writing dated the 1st September 2017.

The State Assets Recovery Act No. 14 of 2017, was assented to on the 4th May 2017, by Former President David A. Granger. Section 5 of the Act creates a Schedule and states that the provisions of the Schedule shall have effect in relation to the appointments of the Director, Deputy Director, their terms and conditions of appointment, staff, finance and other related matters of SARA.

In relation to the appointment of the Director and Deputy Director the schedule states in section 1 that the <u>National Assembly</u> shall –

- (a) By a simple majority; and
- (b) On the recommendation of the Parliamentary Committee on Appointments,

Appoint the Director and Deputy Director of the State Assets Recovery Agency.

Further, in s. 1 (4) of the schedule it is stated that the Director and Deputy Director shall be informed of their appointments by the <u>Clerk of the National Assembly</u>:

(4) The Clerk of the National Assembly shall by letter inform the Director and the Deputy Director of their appointment.

Moreover, the terms and conditions of the appointment of the Director and Deputy Director is provided for by section 2 of the Schedule which is set out hereunder for reference:

2 (1) The terms and conditions of the appointment of the Director and Deputy Director, including their term of office shall be such as determined by the Parliamentary Committee on Appointments.

Your appointment via contract to the post of Deputy Director of SARA is in breach of The State Assets Recovery Act No. 14 of 2017 and is therefore null and void and your services are as a result terminated immediately.

The Government of Guyana wishes to thank you for your service and hereby assures you that your curriculum vitae will be kept on record for consideration for future employment.

Yours Faithfully,

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Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs