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In terms of the Agreement entered into with the Foreign Institution which was awarded the tender to purchase Passports, 50,000 'P' Series Blank Passports have been received to the Department at present.

In addition to this amount, a stock of 750,000 Blank Passports being a break up of about 100,000 Passports in the end of November and about another 150,000 in December etc., is to be received to the Department of Immigration and Emigration in future. Procurement activities for another stock of Blank Passports have already been commenced in parallel to the same.

Under the above circumstance, the Department of Immigration and Emigration issues about 1,600 Passports per day to the applicants at present. This Department will be able to adjust the process of issuing Passports as to meet the demand of applicants to issue Passports gradually increasing this amount from the beginning of December.

The Department of Immigration and Emigration has taken action to prepare an online methodology to make an appointment to get reserved a date and time formally and you are informed that action will be taken to implement such methodology in due course.

Controller General (Actg.)

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