Stand of the Director of Public Prosecutions

On 7 September 2023

- 1. Sir Geoffrey Cox KC, Sanjay Bhuckory SC, Narghis Bundhun SC, Vimalen Reddi and Amira Peeroo of Counsel appear for the Director of Public Prosecutions, instructed by Vijay Dwarka, SA.
- 2. Both Sir Geoffrey Cox KC and Mr Bhuckory SC tender their apologies for not being in attendance as they are both not in Mauritius at the present time.
- 3. For the record, Sir Geoffrey Cox KC has on 4 September 2023 been duly granted a right of audience in this matter by the Honourable Chief Justice pursuant to section 21(3) of the Law Practitioners Act.
- 4. The DPP's stand is that the Plaint with Summons is fundamentally misconceived and is therefore strenuously resisted.
- 5. The DPP further states that this Plaint with Summons perniciously seeks to undermine the Office of the DPP, thereby compromising the integrity of the criminal justice system. The DPP therefore respectfully prays that this matter be given utmost priority, and that it be disposed of promptly.
- 6. Accordingly, the DPP prays that the matter be fixed in two weeks' time (on 21 September 2023) to file its Demand of Particulars, which the DPP further undertakes to communicate to the Plaintiff and the other parties prior to that date.