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## **COMMUNIQUE**

Following an article which appeared in a local newspaper on Sunday 15 October 2017 regarding the case of Peroomal VEEREN, the Commission on the Prerogative of Mercy wishes to bring the following clarification.

On receipt of a petition regarding detainee Peroomal VEEREN for a reduction of the sentence of 34 years' penal servitude, Her Excellency the President of the Republic, in the exercise of her powers under section 75 of the Constitution and acting after taking advice from the Commission on the Prerogative of Mercy, directed that the detainee should have, according to the decisions of the Privy Council, benefited from a deduction of 14 months for the time spent in custody pending the hearing of his appeal to the Court of Criminal Appeal and that, since he was convicted 9 years after the offence was committed, a sentence of 30 years should be substituted for that of 34 years.

**18 October 2017**

**Commission on the Prerogative of Mercy**