

## Eelam

People have their own idea of what Eelam could be.

Eelam if it ever becomes a reality, will be a country for Tamils only, carved out from Sri Lanka and recognized by the U.N. and all the countries of the world. In Eelam, the Sinhalese will not be permitted to own property and will never be allowed to settle down, where as citizens of Eelam will retain their sovereign right to continue to own property and to settle down anywhere in Sri Lanka. Today even in the upcountry, the Sinhalese cannot buy estate property and settle down there in their own motherland. This is not the end to the story, the boundaries demarcated for "Eelam" will be relentlessly and continuously pushed South until Sri Lanka is swallowed by Eelam, bringing to fruition the final solution to the ethnic problem created by Tamil separatists and supported by some Sinhalese "intellectuals".

Politicians have no right to redemarcate

Sri Lanka without a national referendum, just to satisfy a certain ethnic group. If the country is divided we may have five years of peace and perpetual war thereafter like in Northern Ireland. International collaborators of the LTTE are getting ready to recognize Eelam, no sooner LTTE declares independence unilaterally.

It will be a fatal mistake to apply the parallel of Indian Provinces to the North-East problem, because the Indian army has successfully crushed separatist movements in certain Indian provinces, where as the Sri Lankan army cannot even cross the Jaffna lagoon.

Finally it is the bounden duty of all the Sinhalese political leaders to clearly inform the Sinhalese majority the present discriminatory problems experienced by Tamils and Muslims, before they commence risky dialogues with Prabhakaram.

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