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The latest issue of the LTTE's official publication has strongly attacked the late President R. Premadasa and DUNF leader Lalith Athulathmudali in what political observers interpret to be an indirect justification of the two assassinations.

The Tiger leadership also editorially condemns the administration of President D. B. Wijetunga as being "no better" than that of President Premadasa whom it describes as depending on military force to resolve the ethnic conflict.

A lengthy commen-

tary on the assassinations in the "Viduthalai Pulihal" monthly journal published from Jaffna describes the late President and Mr. Athulathmudali as the guardian deities of Sinhala-Buddhist chauvinism". They are also called the "two great Sinhala leaders who killed 30,000 Tamils during a decade of their rule".

Political analysts noted that the commentary lists many atrocities against the Tamils allegedly committed under the direction of Mr. Athulathmudali when he was

National Security Minister. Analysts said while the Tigers had earlier attacked the late President and indirectly justified his assassination, it was the first time that there had been a lengthy condemnation of the late DUNF leader.

The article, however, does not indicate as to who might be responsible for the two assassinations.

"D. B. Wijetunge's voice is the usually heard voice of Sinhala chauvinism" said the Tigers commenting on the interview the President had given