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The Chief Regulatory Officer,
Colombo Stock Exchange,
#04 – 01 West Block,
World Trade Centre,
Echelon Square,
Colombo 1.

Dear Madam,

**JOHN KEELS PLC – FIRST INTERIM DIVIDEND FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2026**

We write to inform you that the Board of Directors resolved today to pay the First interim dividend of Rs 0.45 per share (Gross Dividend) for the year ending 31 March 2026, payable through SLIPS/RTGS on the 3rd market day from the Record date for shareholders with SLIPS/RTGS instructions and post cheques to the rest of the shareholders on or before the 12th market day from the Record date.

Out of the total gross dividend of Rs. 27,360,000/- dividend amounting to Rs. 24,844,422.45/- would be paid out of Profits and Income of the Company and thus paid out subject to the deduction of Advance Income Tax (AIT) at the rate of 15%. The balance dividend amounting to Rs. 2,515,577.55/- would be paid out of dividend received by the Company from the resident companies and would hence not be subject to the deduction of AIT.

In this regard, we enclose herewith the Directors' Declaration of Solvency together with a Report of the Auditors on the Statement of Solvency.

Article 120 of the Company permits the directors to declare dividends and therefore shareholders' approval is not required. The share transfer books of the Company will remain open. The Record date is 19 August 2025.

Yours faithfully,
For **JOHN KEELLS PLC**
**KEELLS CONSULTANTS (PRIVATE) LIMITED**

Secretaries