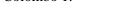


14 May 2020

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Dear Sir,

DECLARATION OF RS. 12.13 (RUPEES TWELVE AND CENTS THIRTEEN ONLY) PER SHARE FINAL DIVIDEND FOR THE PERIOD OF 12 MONTHS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019 AND CONVENING OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

We write further to our communication dated 27 February 2020 *inter alia* informing of convening the Company's Annual General Meeting 2020 on 30 April 2020 and subsequent communication on 13 March 2020 informing of the Company's decision to postpone the same.

In compliance with Rule 8.1 of the Rules and Regulations of the Colombo Stock Exchange, we write to advise you that the Board of Directors of Ceylon Tobacco Company PLC resolved on **26 February 2020** and **14 May 2020** to make the following announcements to the Stock Exchange.

- Convening of the Annual General Meeting
- Recommendation of a Final Dividend of Rs.12.13 (Rupees Twelve and Cents Thirteen Only) per share to be paid on the Dividend payable date.

It was resolved that the Annual General Meeting of the Company be convened as follows:

Date: Monday, 29 June 2020

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: As a virtual meeting on a digital platform

Directors and Shareholders will be able to attend the meeting via a computer or smart phone with internet access. Further instructions on the meeting will be communicated to the Shareholders along with the Notice of Meeting in due course.

Shareholder approval is required for the Final Dividend to be paid on 8 July 2020 and will be obtained at the Annual General Meeting scheduled for 29 June 2020. Further the share transfer books will be kept open.

An extract of the Board Resolution approved by the Directors pertaining to the above Final Dividend and a Statement of Solvency from the Board of Directors (with the signatures of Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer and the Finance Director) are attached herewith.

Yours faithfully,

CEYLON TOBACCO COMPANY PLC

Sudesh Peter COMPANY SECRETARY