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His Excellency Vinay Kwatra
Ambassador of India to the United States
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Dear Ambassador Kwatra:

I write on behalf of the State of New Jersey to respectfully request the assistance of the Government of India in the matter of the extradition of Mr. Nazeer Hameed, an Indian national who has been formally charged by the Burlington County Prosecutor's Office with the March 2017 murders of Ms. Sasikala Narra and her six-year-old son, Anish, in Maple Shade, New Jersey.

This heinous crime shocked our state, and for eight years investigators pursued every available lead. Recent forensic evidence, including DNA analysis by the New Jersey State Police DNA Laboratory, has linked Mr. Hameed to the crime scene, leading to formal charges in Burlington County Superior Court. It is our understanding that Mr. Hameed is presently residing in India, having departed the United States shortly after the murders occurred.

Accordingly, we respectfully seek the assistance of your government under the Extradition Treaty between the United States of America and the Republic of India, signed on June 25, 1997, and entered into force on September 14, 1999. Pursuant to this treaty and in partnership with the U.S. Department of Justice, we intend to submit all required documentation and certifications necessary for an extradition request to be duly considered by the competent Indian authorities.

We recognize that the charges and allegations against Mr. Hameed are merely accusations, and that he is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty in a court of law. Our sole objective is to ensure that he is afforded a fair and transparent judicial process within the U.S. legal system, consistent with the principles of justice shared by both our nations.

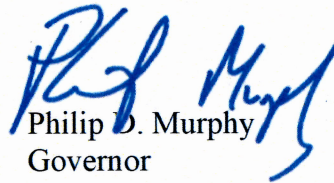
This request reflects not only the seriousness of the alleged offenses, but also the enduring spirit of cooperation between India and the United States in upholding the rule of law and combating violent crime. The Government of New Jersey stands ready to coordinate fully with the Ministry of External Affairs of India, Ministry of Home Affairs of India, U.S. Department of Justice, U.S. Department of State, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation to facilitate the extradition process in accordance with both Indian law and the terms of our bilateral treaty.

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I wish to express my deep appreciation for your attention to this matter and for the continued partnership between our governments. I am confident that our mutual commitment to justice and due process will guide this case to a resolution that honors the innocent victims and strengthens our nations' collaboration in law enforcement matters.

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

Sincerely,



Philip D. Murphy
Governor