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PRESS RELEASE

Arrest of accused in RC-03/2017/NIA/DLI (ISIS/ Daesh Chennai Case)

On 18.09.2017 at 1430 Hrs, accused Shakul Hameed (A-3), son of Mohammed Zackariya, resident of House No. 59, S. S. Puram, A-Block, 10th Street, Ottery, Chennai-12 has been arrested by the Chief Investigation Officer in NIA case RC-03/2017/NIA/DLI.

ii) The case was registered suo-motu at NIA Police Station, New Delhi on 26th January, 2017 under section 120B of the IPC, besides sections 17, 18, 18-B, 20, 38, 39 and 40 of the UA (P) Act against nine accused persons. The accused persons and their associates, with the intention of furthering the activities of the proscribed terrorist organization Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS)/ Daesh, had hatched a criminal conspiracy from 2013 onwards and formed a terrorist gang which had raised and received funds, organized meetings, recruited and facilitated the travel of some persons to Syria to join the ISIS/ Daesh.

iii) Investigation in this case has revealed that the main accused Haja Fakkurudeen (A-1), a Singapore citizen of Indian origin and native of Cuddalore district in Tamil Nadu, has joined ISIS/ Daesh in Syria during January, 2014, along with his family. Haja Fakkurudeen (A-1) had visited India twice between November, 2013 and January, 2014, when he had conducted conspiracy meetings along with co-accused Khaja Moideen (A-2), Shakul Hameed (A-3) and others at various places in Tamil Nadu and Karnataka with the intention of recruiting more persons into the ISIS/ Daesh. In pursuance of the conspiracy, Shakul Hameed (A-3) had attempted to migrate to ISIS/ Daesh controlled territory in Syria during August, 2015, through Turkey, where he was intercepted by Turkish authorities and deported back to India.

iv) On 15th September, 2017, accused Khaja Moideen @ Abdullah Muthalif (A-2), son of Chinna Thambi Ambalam, resident of Salapathputhu Nagar, Kollumedu, Taluk Kattumanarkovil, Cuddalore district, Tamil Nadu who has already been in judicial custody in Crime No. 746/2014 of

Ambattur Police Station, Chennai has been remanded in this case by the Hon'ble NIA Special Court (Sessions Court for Bomb Blast cases), Poonamalle, Chennai. The custody of Khaja Moideen @ Abdullah Muthalif (A-2) has been sought by the Chief Investigation Officer in RC-03/2017/NIA/DLI.

v) Arrested accused Shakul Hameed (A-3) will be produced before the Hon'ble NIA Special Court (Sessions Court for Bomb Blast case), Poonamalle, Chennai, seeking further custody.

