



Peace protest on the 26 June 2014 In Canberra

To whom it may concern,

We, Sri Lankan born citizens of Australia, urge the Australian government to raise awareness and condemn the recent violence occurring in Sri Lanka towards the Muslim and Christian minority.

We want to seek justice for the recent crimes created by a group called **Bodu Bala Sena** (BBS) in Sri Lanka against the Muslim minority by bringing the matter to attention in the parliament. If you would be kind enough to meet us to talk to the media it would be highly appreciated.

By Charles Haviland BBC News, Colombo

Three Muslims were shot dead amidst clashes with hard-line Buddhists, as the BBC's Charles Haviland reports

At least three Muslims have been killed in overnight clashes with hardline Buddhists in southern Sri Lanka. The men died of gunshot wounds near a mosque in the town of Aluthgama in what is seen as Sri Lanka's worst outbreak of sectarian violence in years.

Police in Sri Lanka say they have identified and intend to arrest 24 people, including eight Buddhist monks, allegedly involved in attacks on two churches on Sunday.

Evidence from various media sources

Al Jazeera

who is behind Sri Lanka's religious violence?

Inside Story

last updated: 17 June 2014

Tensions are running high in the Democratic Socialist Republic after the worst acts of religious violence in decades.

Three Muslims were shot dead amidst clashes with hard-line Buddhists, as the BBC's Charles Haviland reports

The Sri Lankan government has imposed an indefinite curfew in a popular tourist area after a group of Buddhists killed three Muslims and injured dozens of others.

<http://www.lankaenews.com/>

BBS terrorism claims 7 lives including an infant; 91 others injured; Badulla, Yatiyanota, Mawanella also tense; arrest Gnanassara

<http://www.srilankaguardian.org/2014/06/horror-in-aluthgama-their-crime-our.html?m=1>

Horror in Aluthgama: Their Crime; Our Shame

| by Tisaranee Gunasekara

"In this country we still have a Sinhala police; we still have a Sinhala army. After today if a single Marakkalaya or some other paraya (alien) touches a single Sinhalese.....it will be their end."

Galagoda-Atte Gnanasara Thera (Aluthgama – 15.6.2014)

The Australian Sri Lankan Muslim community is organising a justice and peace protest against this horrific injustice on the 26 June 2014 **(Protesters are from Sydney, Melbourne, Canberra, Brisbane and Perth)**

13.00 to 16.00 opposite the Parliament House and at 10.30 to 12.00 at the High Commission of Sri Lanka in Canberra. There will be media present to cover the protest.

We humbly request the support of the Australian government to help us in our cause.

Yours Sincerely,

Izadeen Nilam Mohamed
Sydney Contact
Event Organiser
0412146859

Jumaan Sheriff
Melbourne Contact
0434108321

