



**GTF News Update**  
**29<sup>th</sup> July 2014**

--NEWS--

COLOMBO TELEGRAPH \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

**Strong Linkages Between Rajapaksas And BBS – US State Department**

<<https://www.colombotelegraph.com/index.php/strong-linkages-between-rajapaksas-and-bbs-us-state-department/>>

COLOMBO TELEGRAPH \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

**Rajapaksa Boycotts WWI Commemoration In Glasgow – Campaigners Welcome His Absence**

<<https://www.colombotelegraph.com/index.php/rajapaksa-boycotts-wwi-commemoration-in-glasgow-campaigners-welcome-his-absence/>>

DAILY MIRROR SRI LANKA \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

**Dates confirmed for Pope's trip to SL**

<<http://www.dailymirror.lk/news/50334-dates-confirmed-for-popes-trip-to-sl.html>>

DAILY FT \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

**Parties tussle over Chief Justice in Golden Key case**

<<http://www.ft.lk/2014/07/29/parties-tussle-over-chief-justice-in-golden-key-case/>>

THE HINDU \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

**50 Indian fishermen arrested by Sri Lankan Navy**

<<http://www.thehindu.com/news/national/tamil-nadu/50-indian-fishermen-arrested-by-sri-lankan-navy/article6260425.ece?homepage=true>>

--STATEMENTS/LETTERS/REPORTS--

US EMBASSY SRI LANKA & MALDIVES

**U.S. Embassy Concerns on Media Freedom in Sri Lanka**

<<http://srilanka.usembassy.gov/pr-28july14.html>>

ASIA HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

**SRI LANKA: A system of governance based on a failed idea**

<<http://www.humanrights.asia/news/ahrc-news/AHRC-ART-062-2014>>

--OP-EDS/OPINION/INTERVIEWS--

CEYLON TODAY \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

**Backdoor diplomacy with Zuberi**

<<http://www.ceylontoday.lk/31-69098-news-detail-backdoor-diplomacy-with-zuberi.html>>



--KEY CAMPAIGNS (FOR YOUR ACTION)--

Sri Lanka Campaign

**FREE JEYAKUMARI**

<<http://www.srilankacampaign.org/takeaction.htm>>

Minority Rights International

**CAMPAIGN FOR THE RIGHTS OF UP-COUNTRY TAMIL TEA PLANTATION WORKERS THE PRICE OF TEA**

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

Amnesty International

**SRI LANKA: ENSURE TAMIL DETAINEES ARE CHARGED OR RELEASED**

<<http://takeaction.amnestyusa.org/siteapps/advocacy/ActionItem.aspx?c=6oJCLQPAJiJUG&b=6645049&aid=15438>>

Avaaz petition

**SRI LANKA: PUT WAR CRIMINALS BEHIND BARS - PETITION TO UNHRC TO INVESTIGATE MURDER OF 17 ACF (ACTION CONTRE FAIM) AID WORKERS IN 2006**

<[http://www.avaaz.org/en/petition/Sri\\_Lanka\\_Mettez\\_les\\_criminels\\_de\\_guerre\\_derriere\\_les\\_barreaux/?wPqnBdb](http://www.avaaz.org/en/petition/Sri_Lanka_Mettez_les_criminels_de_guerre_derriere_les_barreaux/?wPqnBdb)>