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30 December 2016

Mr Renuke Wijayawardhane Chief Operating Officer Colombo Stock Exchange Level 4-1 West Tower World Trade Centre Colombo 1

Dear Sir,

## APPOINTMENT OF GROUP CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Further to our announcement dated 12 July 2016 pertaining to the succession of the Group Chief Executive Officer of Dialog Axiata PLC ("Company"), we wish to inform the Colombo Stock Exchange that Mr Supun Weerasinghe has been appointed as the Group Chief Executive Officer of the Company with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2017.

The Board of Directors of the Company have also approved the appointment of Mr Weerasinghe as an Executive Director of the Company, with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2017.

The profile of Mr Weerasinghe is annexed hereto for your information. Further, please be informed that Mr Weerasinghe presently has no relevant interest in shares of the Company.

The Board further resolved that Dr Hans Wijayasuriya would continue to serve, as a Non-Independent, Non-Executive Director on the Board, in the capacity of a nominee director of Axiata Group Berhad.

Yours sincerely,

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## MR SUPUN WEERASINGHE Executive, Non-Independent Director / Group CEO

Supun Weerasinghe takes over as the Group Chief Executive of Dialog Axiata PLC ("Dialog"), with effect from January 2017.

Prior to returning to Dialog, Supun was the CEO and Managing Director of Robi Axiata Limited in Bangladesh from 2014 to 2016. Prior to joining Robi, Supun served as the Group Chief Strategy Officer (GSCO) of Axiata Group Bhd in Malaysia. At Axiata, he also served as the Head of Network Transformation Strategic Business Unit under which he led the Group Technology, Carrier Collaboration and Axiata Intelligence Unit.

Prior to his assignment to Axiata Group in 2013, Supun was the Group Chief Operating Officer (GCOO) of Dialog. He started his career in Telecommunications at Dialog in 1999 and held multiple roles such as Head of Strategy and CEO of the Mobile Business before being appointed as the GCOO in 2010.

Supun is a fellow member of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants, UK and holds a Bachelor of Science in Accountancy and Financial Management from the University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Sri Lanka. He also has an MBA from the University of Western Sydney, Australia and is an alumnus of the Harvard Business School. Supun was also honoured as one of Sri Lanka's Ten Outstanding Young Professionals by the Junior Chamber International (JCI) Sri Lanka.

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