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Withdraw case against NSSP leader Chamil Jayaneththi

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Last Friday Com. Chamil Jayaneththi, the organizing secretary of the Nava Samasamaja party had been informed to summon the magistrate Court on 2nd of February.

[https://internationalviewpoint.org/IMG/jpg/chamal.jpg] Chamil Jayaneththi was the party's presidential candidate in 2005

When he searched the reason he was learned that Slave Island police had filed a case against Chamil that he had tried to breach the law and order and arouse the people against the government on 12th January 2009.

Not only Com. Chamil but many leaders of various political parties, trade unions, media organizations were participated the demonstration against the assassination of Mr. Lasantha Wickramathunga. After the brutal assassination of prominent journalist and editor of Sunday Leader, the major media organizations have organized a big demonstration against the killings assaulting and harassing the journalists and force to secure the democratic rights of the people. Nearly thousand people including journalists trade union members and political parties were attended to the demonstration.

At that demonstration some police personals tried to disturb the crowd and Chamil has intervened to settle this incident. At that moment police had retreated and later they filed a case against him in the magistrate court. This step is the another attempt of Sinhala racist Mahinda governments to stop the freedom of expression of the people in this country. They have already stop the voice of independent journalists either threat, assassination or made them to leave the country.

But they cannot silent the NSSP and other radical forces. So they are trying to imprison our energetic leaders using false accusations. We appeal all the progressive and revolutionary forces to pressurize the government to withdraw the case against Chamil. Please send your protest letters to the following persons and send a copy to us.

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