



*Embassy of the United States of America*

*Colombo, Sri Lanka*

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Mr. K.V. Kumar  
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Scottsdale, Arizona

Dear Mr. Kumar:

Welcome to Sri Lanka!

We hope you will find the program and meetings set up beneficial to your company. Please find attached a copy of the agenda, meeting schedule with local companies and some brief profiles of the companies you will be meeting.

Adrian and I look forward to meeting you and assisting you as you develop business contacts here in Sri Lanka.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Richard Merrin', with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Richard Merrin  
Economic Officer



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## **US Trade Mission to Sri Lanka**

### **Wednesday, December 6**

- 6:00-10:00 Breakfast at Hotel (on your own)
- 10:00-11:00 Country Team Briefing with US Embassy Economic and AID officers, chaired by Ambassador Blake at Hilton Hotel, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor meeting room
- 11:15-12:00 Board of Investment (BOI) briefing on advantages of investing in Sri Lanka Duminda Ariyasinghe, Executive Director – BOI , 26<sup>th</sup> floor, West Tower
- 12:30-2:00 Discussion and lunch with brief remarks by:
- John Varley – The Competitiveness Initiative
  - Kishu Gomez – Managing Director, Caltex Lanka (Pvt) Ltd
- 2:00-3:00 Sri Lanka as a Regional Trading Hub and a Gateway Market to India – an Examination of the Indo-Sri Lanka Free Trade Agreement – Nimal Karunatilaka, Deputy Director – Department of Commerce (Hilton 3<sup>rd</sup> floor meeting room)
- 3:00-5:00 One on one meetings – Executive Floor Lounge, Colombo Hilton