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Male', Republic of Maldives

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Announcement

The following areas have been proclaimed as protected as of 14th June 2006 for the purpose of sustaining their natural environment under Article 4 of Law no. 4/93, the Environmental Protection and Preservation Act.

1. B. Olhugiri and the surrounding reef and lagoon area

The purpose of protecting this island is due to the unique features in the formation of this island and to protect and preserve the natural habitat of one of the sea birds that live in Maldives, the Great Frigatebird (Maahoara), as it comes to rest on this island. This bird is protected and mostly lives in the Kaashidhoo sea area. Moreover, turtles also come to this island to nest, and it is home to long-standing trees and a small mangrove.

2. GA. Hithadhoo and the surrounding reef and lagoon area

The purpose of protecting this island is because it is an island frequently visited by the Lesser Frigatebird (Hoara), which is a protected bird species in the Maldives. Therefore, to preserve their habitat.

3. ADh. Hurasdhoo and the surrounding reef and lagoon area

The purpose of protecting this island is because it has extraordinary features in its formation and has a delicate environment. Moreover, this island has remarkable geomorphological qualities.

4. K. Huraa mangrove

The purpose of protecting the K. Huraa mangrove area is because it is the only island close to Malé that has such an environment and because it is frequently visited by school children to research it. Additionally, it also boasts a unique variety of trees and animal species. Moreover, places such as this are lessening over time, and it has an environment that the tourists that visit there find fascinating.

The following actions are prohibited in the aforementioned areas as of 14th June 2006.



1. Performing any action that could damage or bring changes to these areas and anything in the areas.
2. Fishing of any type, other than bait fishing.
3. Removing and taking of rocks, sand, and coral from the area.
4. Taking or capturing anything from the sea, reef, or land of these areas.
5. Dumping or throwing away anything in these areas.
6. Capturing, taking, and killing any birds in these areas.
7. Dropping anchor in these areas for any reason other than a situation in which a person or a vessel is in danger.

Therefore, the aforementioned has been announced.

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