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Letter of condolence

The Tamil Youth Organisation UK wishes to convey our deep shock and sadness at the news of the demise of Mr Manivannan on 15 June 2013.

We are saddened by the loss of Mr Manivannan who was fondly known by many Tamil youth in the Diaspora as a great actor and director. At a time like this we must not forget to celebrate his achievements, he played a key role in Indian politics and within the south-Indian film industry for the Tamil Eelam struggle.

His last wish in April this year echoes in our ears as we mark his demise today. As we pay our respects we reiterate the lines, "If I am to die, drape my body with the Tiger flag and organise a funeral without other rituals". We the Tamil youth of the UK are inspired by the efforts he took in actively participating in campaigns for the Tamil Eelam struggle and for being a leading Tamil nationalist activist in Tamil Nadu. His contributions will forever be remembered by the Eelam Tamil nation.

We in the Tamil Youth Organisation United Kingdom wish to express our heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Mr Manivannan. We would like to emphasise that an inspiring icon like Mr Manivannan will never leave the hearts of the Eelam Tamils. Like the Eelam Tamil nation, Mr Manivannan too wished to see a free, sovereign state of Tamil Eelam and so it is with this freedom thought we would like to pay our last respects to him.

May Mr Manivannan rest in peace.

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