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THE UNIVERSITIES ACT, No. 16 OF 1978

Order under Section 20 (4)(b)

BY virtue of the powers vested in me by section 20(4) (b) of the Universities Act, No. 6 of 1978, I, Bandula Gunawardana, Minister of Higher Education, Technology and Innovation, do by this Order -

- (a) On being satisfied that the administration of the affairs of the University of the Visual and Performing Arts, Sri Lanka have been seriously dislocated and that the authorities of the said University have failed to restore normal conditions, appoint Emeritus Professor Weerakoon Mudiyanselage Abeyrathna Bandara to be the Competent Authority with effect from December, 13, 2019 for the purpose of exercising, performing and discharging in *lieu* of the Vice-Chancellor, University of the Visual and Performing Arts, Sri Lanka, any power, duty or function respectively which has been conferred or imposed on, or assigned to the said Vice-Chancellor under the said Act, or under any Order, Ordinance, Statute, By-law, Regulation or Rule made thereunder ; and
- (b) rescind the Order made under Section 20(4) (b) and published in the Governmet *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 2142/25 of September 24, 2019.

BANDULA GUNAWARDANA, Minister of Higher Education, Technology and Innovation

Colombo, 13th December, 2019.

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