IN THE CONSTITUTIONAL COURT OF SEYCHELLES

PAUL CHOW Petitioner

(Leader and president of the Democratic Party)

VS.

1. HENDRICKS GAPPY

Respondents

(Electoral Commissioner of Aarti Chambers)

- 2. THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
- 3. MR. FRANCE ALBERT RENE

(President of the Seychelles People's Progressive Font (SPPF)

4. MR. WAVEL RAMKALAWAN

(Leader of the Seychelles National Party (SNP)

Constitutional Case No. 3 of 2007

CORAM: A. R. Perera (Presiding), D. Karunakaran, J & D. Gaswaga, J

Mr. F. Elizabeth for the Petitioner

Mr. A. Fernando for the 1st and 2nd Respondents

Together with Senior State Counsel – Mr. E. Chetty &

State Counsel Mr. C. Andre

Mr. F. Bonte and Mr. J. Renaud for the 3rd Respondent

Mr. A. Derjacques for the 4th Respondent

JUDGMENT OF GASWAGA, J

I have had the opportunity to read in draft the judgments of Perera, J (Presiding) and Karunakaran, J.

I am in agreement with Perera, J's findings on Article 130(1) with regard to *locus* standi of the petitioner and also his interpretation of Article 79(1) and (2) as read together with Article 81(1)(a) of the Constitution.

Accordingly, I agree with both Perera, J and Karunakaran, J that the petition should be dismissed.

D. GASWAGA <u>JUDGE</u>

Dated this 3rd April, 2007.