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**INVESTMENT GRADE RATED SENKADAGALA FINANCE SUCCESSFULLY
COMPLETES TRUE SALE SECURITIZATION**

Colombo, June, 2005:

Senkadagala Finance Co. Ltd (SFCL), the only investment grade rated Finance Company in Sri Lanka announced the successful private placement of Secured Redeemable Debenture Certificates of approx. Rs.150 million secured through their hire purchase receivable portfolio.

The main objective of this transaction was to enable SFCL, one of the largest licensed deposit taking institutions registered with the Central Bank of Sri Lanka, to raise additional funds by issuing secured negotiable instruments. This process allows SFCL to diversify its funding sources, lower its cost of funding, and improve its asset/liability matching.

Senkadagala Finance was established in 1968 and today continues its growing success in the finance leasing and hire purchase sectors. SFCL operates through a network of eight branches around the country. All branch operations are automated and linked via an online real time network, which facilitate centralized monitoring and control.

This transaction was arranged by newly formed investment banking institution, Investec Capital (Pvt.) Limited. Investec is a provider of integrated capital markets and advisory solutions to clients. The firm provides a range of investment banking products and services, including advising on corporate strategy and structure, raising capital in equity and debt markets. Investec also advise clients on sophisticated risk management options and innovative derivative instruments in capital markets. Commercial Bank was appointed as Co-Arranger for the issue and F J & G De Saram a leading law firm, acted as the legal advisors for the transaction.