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Office Memorandum ..

Sub: Invitations for free Inaugural Flights -Acceptance
of, by Government servants and members of their
families.

As the Ministry of Finance etc. are aware, the Air India and the Indian Airlines Corporation sometimes extend invitations to Government servants and members of their families to participate, free of cost, in their inaugural flights. Similar invitations may also be received by Government servants and members of their families from foreign air transport companies operating through India. Such invitations amount to 'gifts' vide Explanation below rule 13(1) of the Central Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964 and acceptance of such gifts will attract the provisions of rule 13(4) ibid.

2. It is, therefore, necessary to regulate the acceptance of the gifts referred to above, so as to ensure that these favours do not place the Government servants, exercising a measure of discretion on behalf of Government, in a position where their impartial judgment would be affected, or would seem to be so affected to an outside observer. The administrative Ministries/Departments should keep this in view while considering requests of individual officers to permit them or the members of their families to accept invitations for free inaugural flights offered by the Air India, the Indian Airlines Corporation or foreign airlines. The Ministry of Civil Aviation should be consulted in all cases before granting or withholding permission.

3. Cases of officers of the All India Services serving under the Government of India should be referred to the All India Services Division of the Ministry of Home Affairs who will decide each individual case in consultation with the Ministry of Civil Aviation.

4. The above instructions may be brought to the notice of all concerned.

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To

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