POLICE CIRCULAR ORDER No. 86

Acceptance of presents or gifts by Police Officers. Instances have come to my notice where subordinate police officers and men often express keen desire to offer a gift or present to their superior officers out of regard, love and affection towards them on the eve of their departure on leave or transfer.

Rules 2 of Government Servants Conduct Rules however, strictly enjoins that without the previous sanction of Government a Government servant shall not accept directly or indirectly on his own behalf or on behalf of any other person or permit any member of his family to accept any gift or any offer of a gift whatsoever. P.M. Rule 705 (a) (1) (2) also discourages this.

2. I would, therefore, like to impress on all police officers and that although I appreciate the spirit behind such offer or presentation by the subordinate police officers and men to their superior officers in token of their due regard to them, all police officers and men should refrain from offering or accepting such offer or presentation in strict compliance of the rules referred to above and that these rules should be rigidly followed by all in future.

Manual Reference

Rule 705

(Previous Police Circular Order No. 5 of 1954)