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New Delhi the 21st Of July, 2017

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Political or outside influence by officers in connection with transfer and postings -reg-

It has been observed that a number of IRS officers have been attempting to bring Political or outside influence in connection with transfer and postings. It has, time and again, been communicated to the officers that other than the online request made to the Data Base Cell (DBC), no undue influence should be attempted in connection with transfer and postings.

I have been directed to request all such officers to avoid making any such attempts and also to invite their attention to Rule 20 of the Central Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, which states that no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his/ her interest in respect of matters pertaining to his/her service under the Government. I am further directed to convey that henceforth, if any such attempt is noted on behalf of any such officer from another person in respect of transfer and postings, it will be presumed that the officer concerned is aware of such influence being exerted and that it has been made at his/ her instance and action will be taken against him/her for violation of Rule 20 of the CCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

This issues with the approval of the Chairman, CBDT.

यजदर वर्ज 21.7.2017 (Y. D. Sharma) CIT (C&S), CBDT

All officers of the Income Tax Department