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CIRCULAR

Subject: Passport applications of citizens against whom proceedings before a criminal court are pending

The issuance of passports to citizens of India against whom proceedings in respect of offences alleged to have been committed by them are pending before a criminal court in India is administered by the provisions notified in the Gazette of India vide GSR 570(E) dated 25.08.1993. The Gazette notification is available on the passport portal at the link: http://www.passportindia.gov.in/AppOnlineProject/pdf/GSR_570_dtd_25.08.93.pdf

- 2. As prescribed, an applicant is required to submit permission of the concerned court as well as an undertaking in writing on plain paper, as provided at para 1 (d) of GSR 570 (E). A need has been felt to prescribe a standard format of undertaking for easy reference for citizens and Passport Issuing Authorities. The proforma of undertaking in this regard is enclosed. This format is also being uploaded on the passport portal for applicants.
- 3. Whenever any applicant against whom proceedings before a criminal court are pending approaches any Passport Issuing Authority for the passport services, a copy of Gazette notification and proforma undertaking can be given to him / her with a covering letter directing him / her to fulfil the requirements prescribed in the Gazette notification. On submission of the same, his / her passport application may be processed and passport may be issued as per the provisions of the GSR 570 (E) and the contents of the court order. Needless to mention that the other documents / requirements as applicable to other passport applicants are also required to be sought.

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UNDERTAKING

(to be submitted on plain paper as per provisions of GSR. 570(E) dated 25.08.1993)

I am applying/have applied for passport with the following details: (a) Name (b) Date of Birth ·..... (c) Father's Name (d) Mother's Name (e) Present Address (f) File No. / ARN No. :......Date: (if available) The Criminal case(s) with following details is/ are pending against me: (a) Case No (b) Name of Court (c) Details of Investigating . Agency (Please provide details of Police Station / Investigating Officer, etc.) (d) Last date of hearing (e) Next date of hearing . •..... I hereby undertake that I shall, if required by the Court concerned, appear before it at any time during the continuance in force of the passport so issued. (Signature of the Passport applicant) Name Contact no.:.... Date:.... Place:....