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Rc.No.3/IG.T/Camp/99-2000

Dated: 10.4.2000

Memorandum

Sub:- Implementation of Project Maitri – Regarding.

During the review of the implementation of the project Maitri a clarification was sought from some of the Unit officers with regards to composition and number of members. The concept visualizes maximum of 100 members for any village / locality. However the number of member can be increased with caution and to reasonable extent at the discretion of unit officers, taking care to see that only committed and well intentioned persons are enrolled as members. The *bona fide* of the applicants for membership should be very thoroughly verified to retain credibility of such voluntary groups. Feed back from the community on the members should be periodically taken to ensure that members are acceptable to the community as a whole. Close watch also should be ensured on conduct and activity of the members to prevent the system degenerating to middlemenship and any other forms of brokering by any member.

It is also advised that good or bad experience of implementation of the project may be shared with each other by the unit officers making copy of Chief office to take them into account during the process of re-engineering. Unit officers should pay personal attention to areas where there are inadequate response and motivate the community to take part in this partnership programme.

It is reiterated that the concept is designed to help police in maintaining peace and order, prevention of crime and ensuring feeling of safety in the community. This partnership programme is for police. This erroneous impression would only emerge if the concept is not geared to facilitate police work and treated as a PR exercise. The implementation of the project need proper understanding and exclusive devotion on the
part of all concerned. If the targets are fixed on consultation with community and attained the scheme is bound to acquire greater credibility resulting in a self-generating spread of the scheme. Please involve yourself adequately to ensure successful implementation of the project.

Sd/-
For Director General and Inspector General of Police.

To
All Commissioners of Police
All Superintendents of Police