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Government of India  
Ministry of Home Affairs  
(CS Division)

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Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium,  
2nd Floor, Near India Gate, New Delhi.

Dated 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2018.

To,

The Chief Secretaries/Administrators  
All State Governments & UTs

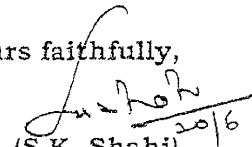
**Subject : Providing adequate police assistance to the authorized officers of  
Serious Fraud Investigation Office (SFIO) - Regarding.**

Sir/Madam,

The Serious Fraud Investigation Office (SFIO), is a statutory body, under section 211 of the Companies Act, 2013, *inter alia*, investigates matters relating to serious fraud in a company. The power to arrest a person under section 212 (8) of the Act by an authorized officer of SFIO (Director, Addl. Director or Asstt. Director of SFIO) have been given vide Govt. of India's Gazette Notification No. S.O. 2751 (E) dated 24<sup>th</sup> August 2017. As per Rule 9 of the Companies (Arrests in connection with Investigation by Serious Fraud Investigation Office) Rules, 2017, the provisions of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, relating to arrest shall be applied *mutatis mutandis* to every arrest made under the Act. Further, Section 217 (9) of the Act prescribes that the officers of the Central Government, State Government, Police and State Authorities shall provide assistance to the inspector for the purpose of inspection, inquiry or investigation. The authorized officers of SFIO are also inspectors under the Act.

2. In view of the above, the State/ UT Governments are requested to issue instructions to all concerned authorities for providing adequate police assistance, as and when required, to the authorized officers of the SFIO for arresting a person under Section 218 of the Act as well as for performance of other duties relating to search and seizure etc. under the Act.

Yours faithfully,

  
(S.K. Shahi)

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Copy for information and necessary compliance to:

1. The Principal Secretary/Secretary Home - All State Governments/UT Administrations.
2. The Director General of Police - All State Governments/UT Administrations.
3. Shri Amardeep S. Bhatia, Director, SFIO, 2nd Floor, B-4 Wing, Pt Deendayal Antyodaya Bhavan, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi - 110 003 w.r.t his D.O. letter No. SFIO/DIR/2018/13886 dated 21.5.2018.
4. JS (UT)/JS (J&K)/JS(NE), MHA.