## No. V. 11026/43/2005-Arms

## Government of India

## Ministry of Home Affairs

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Dated: September 29, 2005.

The Director General

Directorate General of Foreign Trade,

Ministry of Commerce & Industry,

Department of Commerce,

Udyog Bhavan,

New Delhi.

Sub: Permission to renowned shooters to dispose of obsolete/outdated weapons – Regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your office letter No. 01/93/180/M46/AM05/PCI(B)/300 dated 18<sup>th</sup> /19<sup>th</sup> August, 2005 on the above subject and to say that the issue regarding sale of weapons imported by renowned shooters and other has been examined in this Ministry in detail and it has been decided as follows-

- i) The importers (common citizen) may be allowed to sell their imported weapons (both PB and NPB) to a licence holder only after ten years from the date of acquisition of such weapons, or till they attain sixty years of age, whichever is later, subject to the condition that such people will be barred from acquiring any weapon in India during their (importers') life time. They maybe asked to subit a duly sworn affidavit to this effect to the licensing authority.
- ii) The renowned shooters may be allowed to sell their imported weapon (s) after five years from the date of its/their acquisition to promising/upcoming shooters only subject to the conditions mentioned below-
- a) Before allowing disposal of weapons by the renowned shooters, the condition of the weapons may be assessed by a 3-member committee proposed to be constituted under the Chairmanship of the Executive Director (Teams), Sports Authority of India, with a representative each from NRAI and the National Coach of Shooting as other members and disposal will be allowed only on the recommendation of this committee.
- b) While disposing of such weapons, it would be ensured that these are being sold to other upcoming shooters only subject to production of certificate to this effect from the concerned State Association. A promising shooter would be one who would have finished among the first three in the preceding State level championships. After disposal, intimation to this effect will be given by the

renowned shooter to the NRAI, the Sports Authority of India and the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.

It is requested that necessary changes may kindly be made in the import policy accordingly. This issues with the approval of the Home Secretary.

Yours faithfully,

(M.M. Chopra)

Deputy Secretary to the Government of India

Copy forwarded for information to Shri S. K Sharma, Under Secretary, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi, with reference to his O.M No. 52-41/03-SP-III dated  $3^{rd}$  March, 2004.

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