OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE, RAJASTHAN.

Jaipur, 16th February 1957.

STANDING ORDER NO. 2

Visitation of serious offences by C.Os.

It is observed that Circle Officers are not sure about which serious offences are to be visited by them.

To clear this doubt, it is hereby ordered that 2. the following serious offences should be invariably visited by Circle Officers (whether S.P. or A.S.P. or Dy.S.P. but in charge of a Circle):

(i) Murder (including attempt)

(ii) Culpable homicide (including attempt)

(iii) Dacoity

(iv) Highway robbery between sunset and prod

(v) Robber 145 (and attempted robber 145) in w the accused uses carries a firearm.

(vi) House-breaking with theft if the property lost is valued at Rs.5000/- or more.

(vii) Serious riots

(viii) Any case in which a Folice Officer of or above the rank of Sub-Inspector is accused of a cognizable offence provided a complaint has been actually registered against him U/S 154 Cr.F.C.

(ix) Serious motor accidents involving loss of life in urban areas x only.

(x) Mob attacks on Government servants while in discharge of their duty.

(xi) Escapes from custody.

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- 3. Circle Officers are expected to proceed to enquire into all such cases immediately on receiving their reports from the S. W.Os concerned or from other sources.
- 4. All S.H.Os should be directed by the Ss.P. sencerned to send information regarding above offences to their C.Os by the quickest means of communication i.e. by telephone or telegraph or through special messengers.
- Nisitation of the scene of offence is not necessary in cases like infanticide in which an illegitimate child is alleged to have been murdered by its mother, particularly when the mother has been traced. Similarly no visitation is necessary where the offence is technical as in the case when the a woman accused commits suicide after killing someone clse.
- Circle Officers should identify themselves as closely as possible with the Police investigation in such serious cases. Where necessary, they should assume the position of investigating officers U/S 551 Cr.P.C. whenever the occasion warrants. such a step. Their presence during the investigation should be brought out in the papers of the case whenever possible either by signing panchnamas or by recording statements of witnesses or in any other suitable manner. They should also, during such investigations, personally go through the case papers, case diaries and panchnamas already prepared, question the persons concerned and verify their statements. In order to show that they have done so, they must always initial case papers, case diaries, panchnamas etc. and attest the statements of witnesses with their dated signatures. Before the Circle Officer leaves the scene of offence, he must should arrive at some definite conclusion and give necessary instructions to his subordinates.

the period which a Circle Officer must pass at a scene of offence. Some offences are very simple and the C.O. may be able to complete the investigation within 24 hours. Some may be very difficult and my require the C.O.'s presence for even a week. No Circle Officer should therefore assume that he is free to return to headquarters after passing one or two nights at the scene of offence. As stated above, he must continue the investigation until all the investigation is complete, after the accused is not found or until all avenues have been thoroughly explored and the accused is still not traced.

offence comes while the C.O. is busy with the investigation of another serious offence. If this happens, the C.O. show consider which of the two offences is more important and accordingly continue the investigation of the old or proceed to the new offence. The Circle Inspector can them be asked to look into the offence which the C.O. cannot personally wist.

Supervise. Mere flying visits to different offences in succession should be strictly discouraged.

Police Officers in their investigations as above, the Circofficer can do much to improve the tone, morale and efficer of the Force. They also comes to know the defects in investigation and can then think of the ways to rectify them.

Probabilities of bad or dishonest investigation are also reduced to a minimum.

o/c Inspector-General of Police,

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All D.Is.G.P. All Ss.P. and Addl. Ss.P. All C.Os.