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**FROM:** Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Civil Service Affairs and Administrative Reforms

**TO:** Supervising Officers i/c Ministries/Departments

**Service Driving Licence for Chauffeur-Driven Government Cars**

Senior officers drawing a monthly salary of Rs34,270 and above benefit from the exclusive use of a chauffeur-driven Government car, both for their official duties and for their private use.

2. Representations were made to this Ministry regarding the issue of Service Vehicle Driving Licences to close relatives of senior officers who are allowed to drive the chauffeur-driven Government cars. The matter was discussed at a meeting held under the chairmanship of the Prime Minister's Office and comprising representatives of the Commissioner of Police, the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Civil Service Affairs and Administrative Reforms and the State Law Office.
3. Following advice tendered by the Ministry of Finance, the Commissioner of Police and the Solicitor-General, it has been decided that the category of Government vehicles, i.e. "Chauffeur-driven cars", allocated to senior Government officials under their conditions of service be taken care of administratively. It has also been agreed that, in special circumstances, the chauffeur-driven Government car may also be driven by any other person holding a valid driving licence, provided he or she has been specifically authorised by the senior official to do so.
4. In view of the foregoing, it has been decided that every officer eligible for a chauffeur-driven Government car should submit the names of three persons whom he/she would advise to drive such vehicle to the Commissioner of Police with copy to the Ministry of Finance and to this Ministry.
5. The Ministry of Finance is making the necessary arrangements to amend the Financial Management Manual to cater for the new category of "Government Vehicles" based on the recommendations made in the PRB 1998 Report.

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