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To,

CSO/All Airlines.

Subject:-Foreigners carrying Satellite phones at Airport, reg.

Sir,

This has come into notice that instances of foreign passengers being debarred from flying for carrying satellite phones have increased. This causes a lot of inconvenience to the passengers who are unaware of the regulations about carrying of Satellite phones (Thuraya and Iridium) in India without specific permission from Department of Telecommunication, Govt. of India.

2. Many foreign countries do not have such restrictions/regulations for carrying Satellite phones due to which some of the passengers carry a satellite phone to India along with them.

3. Therefore, it is the responsibility of Airline operator as well as Airport operators to create awareness among the passengers travelling from foreign countries to India and also among the domestic passengers so as to avoid inconvenience while travelling in India. Airlines and airport operators can get it displayed on their Website that passengers travelling to India should restrain from carrying satellite phone. Airport operators can place signage on various locations at the airports displaying the rules and also announcements in this regard can be made at airports.

4. Further, any other method for sensitizing the passengers about the same will be highly appreciated.

5. This issues with that approval of competent authority.

(Pratibha Ambedkar, IPS) Deputy Director General.

Copy to:-

- 1) Chairman, A.A.I.
- 2) CSO,BIAL
- 3) CSO,MIAL
- 4) CSO,DIAL
- 5) CSO,GHIAL
- 6) CSO,Adani Intl.

For information and necessary action at All Airports under them.