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Nomination of the South Indian Chamber of Commerce to the
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Advisory Council--rejection--~~Chamber's~~ protest.

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From (Name) R.G.Grieve Esq., M.A.,

(Designation) Ag. Director of Public Instruction
on

Madras.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Law(Education) Department.

Sir.

With reference to G.O.No.Misc.595 Law(Education
dated 24-4-25 I have the honour to submit for orders
of the President, The Southern Indian Chamber of
Commerce, addressed to the Principal, Government
Institute of Commerce, Madras, regarding the reconstitution
of the Advisory Council of the Institute sanctioned
in the above G.O.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

L. P. Chumappa
for Director of Public Instruction
20.7.25

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Copy of letter No.31/25 dated 30th June 1925 from
The Principal, Government Institute of Commerce, Madras
to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

I have the honour to submit below a copy of
the letter No.146 dated 22nd June 1925 from Sir M.C.T
Muthiah Chettiar, Kt., President, The Southern India
Chamber of Commerce, Madras regarding the recent
reconstitution of the Advisory Council to the Government
Institute of Commerce, Madras.

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(True copy)

In acknowledging receipt of your D.O.No.31
dated 5th May 1925, addressed to me, I have the honour
to request you to be good enough to communicate to
the authorities concerned, that our Chamber strongly
protests against the summary manner in which the
Chamber's nominee to the Advisory Committee of your
Institute has been rejected and another member
nominated by themselves instead.

I shall, therefore, be glad if you will kindly
ascertain and let me know the reasons that prompted
such action, remembering the facts that the Chamber
made its nomination as usual, in response to your
request, and that the summary rejection of your own
nominee and the arbitrary choice of another, is an
insult to the Chamber's status and prestige.

If this insulting procedure is not rectified,
the Chamber will be constrained to consider seriously
whether it should not decline to comply with your
similar requests for the Chamber's nomination to
your Institute's Advisory committee in future.

(True copy)

L. C. Chumappa
for Director of Public Instruction 20.7.25



Law (Education) Deptt.

C.No. 2137 C - From the D.P.I., R.O.C.No. 869 A/25,
dated 16-7-1925.

Institute of Commerce, Madras - Advisory Council -
Representative of the South Indian Chamber of
Commerce -

The Advisory Council for the Institute of
Commerce, Madras, was first formed in 1918 - G. O.No.
1553 Home (Education), dated 4-12-1918. The sug-
gestion for the ~~constitution of a~~ council formed one of the recommend-
ations of the committee appointed by Government to
advise on the question of establishing the Institu-
te. The specific recommendation of the committee
was as follows: -

" Subject to the control of the Government,
the Institute will be under the D. P. I.,
who will be assisted by an Advisory Council,
consisting of the D.P.I. as President,
the Principal of the Institute as Secretary,
the Collector of Madras, the Registrar of
Joint Stock Companies and members nominated
by Government among the Chartered Accountants,
bankers and merchants of Madras in such a
way as to secure due representation of such
commercial organizations as the Chambers of
Commerce".

In the earlier councils the South Indian Chamber
of Commerce was represented - vide G.O.No. 1533
Law (Education), dated 4-12-1918 and G.O.No. 1615
Law (Education), dated 26-12-1922. When the D.P.I.
put up proposals for the reconstitution of the
Council in April 1925 he recommended ~~the~~ among
other gentlemen the name of M.R.Ry. C. Gopala Menon,

Secretary, South Indian Chamber of Commerce. The
Government however substituted the name of Mr. V.
Sharmugam Mudaliar, Dubash, South Indian Export Col
Ltd. - Vide M₂'s order at p. 9 of P.O. 595 Ed., d

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The President of the Southern India Chamber of Commerce speaks of the Chamber's nominee. The constitution of the Advisory Committee does not authorise the Chamber to make any nomination.

~~On the first occasion, the President of the Chamber was nominated by the Council.~~ On the first occasion the Government themselves asked Sir P. Theagaroya Chettiyar whether he would accept the nomination and on the second occasion the D.P.I submitted the name of Sir C.T. Muthia Chettiyar, the then President of the Chamber for nomination to the Council. Apparently the Principal of the Institute (evidently at the instance of the D.P.I) seems to have ^{now} asked the Chamber to name ~~its~~ ^{its} representative for nomination to the Council. This was unnecessary and has led to the present protest. If the Principal or the Director considered that a change was necessary in the representative of the Southern India Chamber of Commerce on the Advisory Council, they might have themselves suggested the nominee. As it is, no right has been conferred on the Chamber to nominate a representative to the Council. It is quite open to the Govt. to have no representative of the Chamber on the council ^{at all}. No insult to the Chamber was meant by the rejection of the recommendation of the D.P.I to appoint Mr. Gopala Menon to the Council. We may merely ask the D.P.I to inform the Chamber that no insult was meant by the non-appointment of any representative to the Chamber on the Advisory Council, - that the Chamber had its representative on the Council since 1918 (for the past nearly 7 years) and the Govt. considered that opportunity should be given for other interests to be represented on the council.



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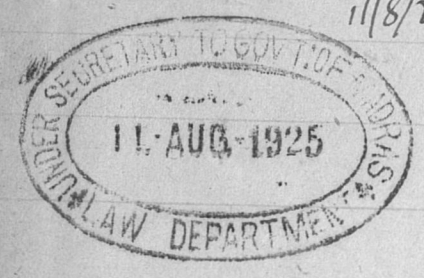
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U.O. Reply No. 869 A/25
8-8-25

I have little to say except that it was not at the instance of the D.P.I. that the Principal of the Institute asked the Chamber to name its representative for nomination to the Council. He apparently asked Sir Muthiah Chettiar to suggest the name of some other gentleman of the Chamber if it was not convenient for him to serve again. The difficulty in regard to such councils arises from the practice that has obtained before addressing Government (of ascertaining) whether nominees are willing to serve.



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Assistant Secretary's note on
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The practice of ascertaining
before addressing Govt whether
nominees are willing
to serve is not a comment
one thing he is contented;
unless he accepted the
recommendation, nominees
could be proved refused
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D.O. na 2137C-2 d) 24-8-05

My dear Grieve,

Your official letter, R.O.C;

869) A - 25, d) 16.7.25.

Representation of the South Indian
Chamber of Commerce on the
Advisory Council of the Institute
of Commerce.

Orders are

being usually Separately on the
protests lodged by the Chambers.

The Government agrees in the view expressed in your unofficial note, No. 869-A/25, d/ the 8th August 1925 that the practice

of ascertaining, whether now -
official gentlemen are willing to
serve in honorary capacity
leads to interview. ~~as in the~~
~~present~~ Accordingly, I am to
ask that the practice may be
revived and that the consent
of non-official gentlemen may
be taken after Govt. have
approved their nomination.

Yours Truly

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are made to ~~the~~
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To R. L. Lytle Esq., W. A.,
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Mrs

In reconstituting the Advisory Council of the Institute of Commerce the claims of prominent commercial organizations and interests were duly considered. The South Indian Chamber of Commerce, Madras, was had representation on the Advisory Council for the last seven years and the Government considered that ^{a chance} opportunity should be given to other interests. That the Chamber's nomination of the Chamber was

to obtain re-
-presentation

was not accepted by the
case on this occasion does
not show want of appreciation
on the part of the Court:
of the importance ~~and usefulness~~ ~~and that~~
of the Chamber. The D.P.J.
is requested to inform the
Chamber accordingly.

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To the D.P.J.

and that
no slight was
intended.

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