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Grand Secretary

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To

- (a) Secretaries of all Craft Lodges
- (b) Scribes E of all R A Chapters
- (c) Secretaries of all Mark Lodges
- (d) Scribes of all R A M Lodges

Dear Sir and R/V/W/.Bro.,/M/E.Comp.,

Please refer to our circular letter No.71/12 dated 09th March 2005 which is reproduced below for your information:

"I am to inform you that the Board of General Purposes at its meeting held on 4th March, 2005 accepted the recommendations of the Protocol Committee in respect of display of National Flag.

Accordingly, you may kindly note the following procedures to be followed by all Lodges with immediate effect:-

1. The National Flag should be displayed in all our Masonic as well as Public Meetings.
2. The National Flag should be displayed on the pedestal in the corner at the right of the Worshipful Master.
3. All Charters etc. in the Hall should be at a lower level than the National Flag.
4. The National Flag should remain displayed throughout the meeting.
5. After the meeting is closed, the brethren should turn facing the Flag and sing the National Anthem.
6. After the National Anthem, the Director of Ceremonies and the I P M should proceed to the Flag and with all respect lower the Flag, fold it and place the folded Flag on the Master's pedestal.

During this process all the brethren would remain, standing and only after the Flag is deposited on the Worshipful Masters pedestal, should the brethren retire.

The Committee has not recommended the size of the Flag as it will depend on the Hall. However, the ratio of the length to the width of the Flag should be 3:2. The Flag should be made of hand spun and hand woven wool/cotton/silk khadi bunting".

You are, therefore, once again requested to follow the above mentioned procedure till Grand Board of General Purposes decides otherwise on recommendation of Procedure and Protocol Committee.

With greetings,

Yours fraternally,


(V K GUPTA)

Grand Secretary

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