STANDING ORDER NO. 53/2004

Subject: Maps with Jammu and Kashmir depicted as separate entity reg.

No.13/2004 dated 04.11.2004 has informed that a passenger holding Indian passport arrived at Chennai Airport and brought two maps compiled and published by M/s. Sino Maps Press and distributed by one M/s. Xinhua Bookstore, Beijing, showing Jammu & Kashmir as a separate entity and also showing part of India as territory of China. The passenger abandoned the maps saying that it was obtained as a souvenir.

Act, 1962 absolutely prohibits import of any book, periodical, pamphlets, leaflet or other document containing any words, signs or visible representations which directly or indirectly questions the frontiers of India as declared by the Government of India or territorial integrity of the country.

the frontiers of India contrary to the declaration of Government of India shall be confiscated absolutely by the adjudicating authority.

4. All the officers shall follow above instructions scrupulously without fail.

(NAJIB SHAH)
COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS (IMPORT)