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Frank I. Cowan, Attorney General

Director, Civilian Defense

You are hereby advised that under the provisions of Section 19 of Executive Order #3, you have authority to authorize the installation of exhaust whistles on motor vehicles to be used for air raid warning purposes.

In selecting or designating the class of civilian defense officials to whom such authorization shall be given, you should pick the class or classes of officials with the approval of the Chief of the State Police. As rapidly as civilian defense officials install such whistles on their motor vehicles, their names, addresses and registration numbers should be furnished to you and a copy of such information transmitted to the Chief of the State Police.

In regulating the use of such whistles, you should promulgate your own orders so that there will be no abuse, and so that the same will not be used promiscuously and negligently during emergencies or test blackouts. You should call attention to the fact that any official who uses such a whistle in violation of your orders will be subject not only to any penalty prescribed in Chapter 305 of the Public Laws of 1941, but also subject to the penalty prescribed in Section 80 of the motor vehicles laws of the State.

Attorney General

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