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Hon. E. H. Griffin  
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Opinion No. WW-556

Re: Whether the Civil Air Patrol  
is exempt from the payment  
of the license fee for motor  
vehicles under the provisions  
of Article 6675 A-3, V.A.C.S.

Dear Mr. Griffin:

In your letter of December 23, 1958, you ask whether or not vehicles owned by the United States Government and loaned to the Civil Air Patrol are exempt where such vehicles are used exclusively in the work of the Civil Air Patrol.

In an opinion by this office dated August 4th, 1958, Opinion No. WW-487, it was decided that the Civil Air Patrol is not a United States Governmental Agency and that vehicles owned and used by them are not entitled to the exemption provided in Article 6675a-3(e).

Inasmuch as Article 6675a-3(e) exempts only "vehicles which are the property of and used exclusively in the service of the United States Government . . ." (*italics added*); and, inasmuch as the Civil Air Patrol is not a United States Governmental Agency; and, even though the title to the cars is in the United States Government, they are not used exclusively by the Government. It is our opinion that such cars must be registered in accordance with Article 6675a-2.

SUMMARY

Since Civil Air Patrol is not a United States Governmental Agency, automobiles loaned to it by a U. S. Governmental Agency must be registered in accordance with Article 6675a-2.

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Very truly yours,

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