

# **CUSTOMS GAZETTE**

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# DA MO ORDER NO. 31, **SERIES OF 2022**

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As a result of the recent hearings conducted separately by the Senate and House of Representatives on agricultural product smuggling, lapses in the Department's process of issuance of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Import Clearance (SPSIC) and in the inspection of arriving imported agricultural products were noted.

#### These are:

- Lack of monitoring on the utilization of SPSICs issued. SPSICs issued not being utilized or the volume applied being underutilized:
- Concerned agencies not monitoring the utilization of imported agricultural products as intended;
- Allegations of corruption from importers during inspections and when imported agricultural products are put on hold; Allegations of extortion and bribery;
- BOCs observation that DA (BPI, BAI, BFAR) staff not always (24/7) present in the X-ray area as agreed with them; and
- Improper application of rules and procedure and hierarchy of authority in the apprehension, investigation, appeal process, and approval of decisions among inspecting officials, supervisors, regulatory unit heads, and bureau heads.

As such, the above bureaus are instructed to implement measures within their respective mandate to address the above issues. These measures should include the following:

- Requiring importers who are unable to utilize their SPSICs to surrender their unused SPSICs upon expiration. This can be a requirement when processing new SPSIC applications of importers.
- Requiring importers to report the actual volume utilized for each SPSIC issued to them. This can also be a requirement in processing new SPSIC applications of importers.
- Requiring importers of agricultural products to report utilization of products to prevent diversion to unintended uses.
- Inclusion as a condition in the issuance of SPSICs, the importer's consent to unannounced visits to their storage facilities to ensure compliance with food safety and health requirements.

- Requiring all concerned staff to transact business with importers and brokers inside office premises, in full view and within the hearing distance of other staff. Immediate relief and reassignment of staff proven to have met with importers or brokers outside of office premises as indicated in a verified complaint.
- Assigning BA1, BPI, and BFAR staff or arrangement of such assignment to the BOC's X-ray area 24/7.
- Conduct of regular orientation and briefing and assessment of the performance of all staff involved in the quarantine and regulatory offices.
- Coming up with a unified guideline on inspection, apprehension, investigation, appeal process, and approval of decisions.
- Adoption of automation in inspection, reporting, and monitoring processes in the concerned bureaus.

You are further directed to prepare a report on the above for discussion with the Secretary during the DA ManCom meeting in Davao City on May 3, 2022.

For compliance.

### CMO NO. 11-2022

Issue Date: April 29, 2022

KEYWORDS: baggage, Bureau of Customs, currency, customs clearance, Electronic Customs Baggage and Currency Declaration System, ECBCD

#### **Objectives**

 To provide the guidelines on the customs clearance process for all Travelers and Crew Members using the Electronic Customs Baggage and Currency Declaration (eCBCD) System in relation to CAO No. 1-2017.

#### Scope

This Order shall cover the operational procedure for the use of the eCBCD System for all Travelers and Crew Members arriving at or departing from all ports of entry and exit.

#### **Definition of Terms**

**Crew Member** — shall refer to person/s assigned by an Air or Vessel Operator to render duty during a flight or voyage duty period;

**Commercial Quantity** — shall refers to the quantity for a given kind or class of articles which are in excess of what is compatible with and commensurate to the person's normal requirements for personal use.

**Electronic Customs Baggage Declaration Form (eCBDF)** — shall refer to the electronic form of the Customs Baggage Declaration Form in the eCBCD System prescribed by the Bureau giving information or particulars required by Customs and any government agency

**Electronic Currency Declaration Form (eCDF)** — shall refer to the electronic form of the Currency Declaration Form in the eCBCD System prescribed by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP)to be filled-out by Travelers and Crew Members bringing in or out foreign currency in excess of US\$10,000 or its equivalent in other foreign currency and other foreign currency denominated

Customs Administrative Order (CAO) No. 1-2017, Section 3.8.

Department of Finance (DOF)
Department Order (DO) 57-2011, 2 (b)

f. CAO No. 1-2017, Section 3.10

bearer monetary instruments, or bringing in or out legal tender Philippine notes and coins, checks, money order and other bills of exchange drawn in pesos against banks operating in the Philippines in an amount exceeding Php50,000;

**Electronic Customs Baggage and Currency Declaration (eCBCD) System** (referred to as "eCBCD System") — shall refer to a web portal that caters to the online Customs Baggage Declaration and Currency Declaration by Travelers and Crew Members;

**Fraud** — shall refer to acts knowingly, voluntarily and intentionally committed or omitted which prejudice the interest of the government, e.g. submitting fake or spurious document, making material untruthful statement(s) or committing any other analogous act(s) or omission(s)

**Non-Resident Filipinos** — refer to Filipinos those who have established permanent residency abroad but have retained Filipino citizenship, whether or not they have availed of the benefits under Republic Act No. 9225 or the Citizenship Retention and Re-acquisition Act of 2003;

Overseas Filipino Worker (OFW) — refers to a holder of a valid passport issued by the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA) and certified by DOLE or POEA for overseas employment purposes. This covers all Filipinos working in a foreign country under employment contracts, regardless of their professions, skills or employment status in a foreign country. [note: cf. CMTA, Title VIII, Chapter 1, Sec. 800 (g), par. 2.] For purposes of this CAO, the term OFW includes Filipinos working abroad under job contracts who do not require a certification from the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) or the Philippine Overseas Employment Administration (POEA)

**Traveler** — shall refer to any person who temporarily enters the territory of a country in which he or she does not normally reside ("non-resident') or who leaves that territory; or any person who leaves the territory of a country in which he or she normally resides ("departing resident") or who returns to that territory ("Returning Resident");

cf. CAO No. 10-2020. Section 3.12.

cf. CAO No. 1-2017, Section 3.19

cf. CAO No. 1-2017, Section 3.32

#### **General Provisions**

- All arriving Travelers and Crew Members shall accomplish the Electronic Customs Baggage Declaration Form (eCBDF), including the Electronic Currency Declaration Form (eCDF) if applicable, in the eCBCD System before or upon arrival in all ports of entry.
- The eCBCD System can be accessed by logging-in at https://ideclare.customs.qov.ph or at the designated eCBCD Kiosk at the Customs Arrival and Departure Area.
- Upon successful sign-in, the Traveler or Crew Member shall select "Arrival" or Departure" in the eCBCD System homepage.
- The Traveler or Crew Member shall be directed to the eCBDF for arrival and/or eCDF for departure, as applicable.
- In addition to the eCBDF, the following documents shall be uploaded and/or accomplished in the eCBCD System, if applicable:
  - Electronic Currency Declaration Form (eCDF) for Travelers and Crew Members bringing in foreign currency in excess of US\$10,000 or its equivalent in other foreign currency and other foreign currency denominated bearer monetary instruments, or bringing in legal tender Philippine notes and coins, checks, money order and other bills of exchange drawn in pesos against banks operating in the Philippines in an amount exceeding Php50,000;
  - Prior authorization duly issued by the BSP for Travelers and Crew Members bringing in legal tender Philippine notes and coins, checks, money order and other bills of exchange drawn in pesos against banks operating in the Philippines in an amount exceeding Php50,000;
  - Necessary import clearances/permits/licenses from the concerned regulatory agency in case of restricted and regulated goods in excess of the limits allowed by the agencies; or
  - Owner's Pre-Departure Form or of Identification (CI) for goods previously exported.
- All departing Travelers and Crew Members intending to bring out foreign currency, as well as other foreign currencydenominated bearer monetary instruments in excess of USD10,000 or its equivalent, or legal tender Philippine notes and coins, checks, money order and other bills of exchange drawn in pesos against banks operating in the Philippines in an amount exceeding Php50,000, shall accomplish the eCDF in the eCBCD System.

The copy of prior Authorization duly issued by the BSP shall be uploaded in the eCBCD System for Philippine currency and/or any Philippine monetary instrument.

- A QR Code shall be generated after successful submission in the eCBCD System and shall be presented by the Traveler and Crew Member to the assigned Customs Officer at the Customs Arrival or Departure Area for validation and clearance.
- Assigned Customs Officers at the Customs Arrival Area shall observe existing lanes catering to different types of Travelers or Crew Members such as the following:
  - OFWs, Returning Residents and Non-Resident Filipinos;
  - Foreign Travelers and Diplomatic Personnel;
  - o Airline Crew Members; and
  - Traveler with Accompanied and/or Unaccompanied Baggage containing goods in Commercial Quantity.

Provided that, Travelers may be routed either to the green or red channel as provided under the Procedure for Arriving Travelers and Crew Members based on their general declaration or based on derogatory information, reasoned or random selection.

Provided finally, that crew members shall be directed to the lane provided for Crew Members for mandatory physical examination of their baggage.

• All baggage shall be subject to mandatory non-intrusive inspection.

cf. CAO No. 1-2017, Section 5.2

#### Inspection Act

- The eCBCD System shall have the capacity of uploading documents and real-time notifications to the users on the status of their eCBCDF.
- The Management Information System and Technology Group (MISTG) shall provide the technical specifications of the hardware requirements of the system to the ports concerned.
- The eCBCD System shall have the capacity to generate the following reports:
  - Number of Travelers and Crew Members arriving with foreign currency, as well as other foreign currencydenominated bearer monetary instruments in excess of USD10,000 or its equivalent;
  - Number of Travelers and Crew Members arriving with legal tender Philippine notes and coins, checks, money order and other bills of exchange drawn in pesos against banks operating in the Philippines in an amount exceeding Php50,000;

- Collection on dutiable/taxable goods;
- Number of CBDFs;
- Number of CDFs for arrival;
- Number of CDFs for departure;
- Total number of arriving Travelers per day, per flight, and/or per month; and
- Other reports as may be required.
- The system administrator shall be responsible for account user creation and granting of access to assigned Customs Officers at all ports of entry and exit with international Travelers:

User	User Role	Access Level
COO I or assigned officer	Encodes manual declarations Uploads declaration and supporting documents, if any  Prints report from the database	View, Edit (findings only but for manual forms, he/she can input new entries; attach signatures)
COO III/Acting COOIII	Encodes findings or computation in the declarations  Uploads documents	View, Edit (findings only; attach signatures)
C00 V	Reviews findings of examiner (COOIII)	View, Edit (findings only; attach signatures)
Cashier	Receives Payment	View, Edit (payment details only)
ESS/CIIS	Witness in the examination	View, Edit (insert comments; attach signature)

 The system administrator shall be responsible for account user creation and granting of access to the Anti-Money Laundering Council (AMLC), Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) and other offices and agencies, as applicable, for purposes of monitoring and report generation.

- The eCBCD System, as far as practicable, shall adopt and implement an advance information and traveler record as a risk management tool in traveler processing and in preparation for the establishment of the Passenger Name Record System (PNRS).
- Assigned Customs Officers and other offices and agencies concerned shall create a user profile by providing the following details to the system administrator:
  - Full Name;
  - o Designation; and
  - o Official email address.
- After providing the requested information, username and password to log-in to the eCBCD System shall be provided by MISTG. Level of access shall be based on the designation of the officer.
- After successful registration, Customs Officers and other agencies concerned shall log-in using the email registered in the eCBCD System and its corresponding password and click "Sign-in".

# Procedure for Arriving Travelers and Crew Members

- Fulfillment of the eCBCD System. The following operational procedure shall be observed by Arriving Travelers and Crew Members in the use of the eCBCD System:
  - Travelers and Crew Members shall log in at
     <u>https://ideclare.customs.gov.ph</u> and click "CBDF" button and fill out/upload the following:
    - Flight Details;
    - Port of Departure and Arrival;
    - Personal Information;
    - General Declaration;
    - Additional Documents, if any;
    - Signature; and
    - Email Address.
  - The General Declaration includes the following, the required permits/licenses/clearances from regulatory agencies which shall be uploaded:

	Declaration	Requirement
1	Philippine Currency and/or any Philippine Monetary Instrument in excess of PhP 50,000.00	Prior Authorization from BSP
2	Foreign Currency and/or Foreign Monetary Instrument in excess of USD 10,000.00 or its equivalent	NA
3	Gambling Paraphernalia	Prior import permit/clearance/license from the Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation
4	Cosmetics, skin care products, food supplements and medicines in excess of quantities for personal use;	Prior import permit/clearance/license from the Food and Drug Administration
5	Dangerous drugs such as morphine, marijuana, opium, poppies or synthetic drugs	Prior import permit/clearance/license from the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency
6	Firearms, ammunitions and explosives	Prior import permit/clearance/license from the Firearms and Explosives Office, Philippine National Police

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7	Alcohol and/or tobacco products in commercial quantities	permit/clearance/license
8	Foodstuffs in commercial quantity	Prior import permit/clearance/license from Food and Drugs Administration
9	fruit(s), vegetables	Prior import permit/clearance/license from Bureau of Plant Industry
10	live animal(s), meat, eggs etc.),	Prior import permit/clearance/license from Bureau of Animal Industry
11	marine and aquatic product(s), and/or the product(s) and their by-product(s)	Prior import permit/clearance/license from Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources
12	Mobile phones in excess of quantities for personal use, and radio communication equipment	Prior import permit/clearance/license from the National Telecommunications Commission
13	Cremains (human ashes), human organs or tissues	Prior import permit/clearance/license from the Bureau of Quarantine
14	Jewelry, gold, precious metals or gems	NA
15	Other goods, not mentioned above	Other goods which require prior import permit/clearance/license from the concerned regulatory agency

- Once complete, the Travelers and Crew Members shall tick the box for the Terms and Conditions and Data Privacy Consent.
- The Travelers and Crew Members shall click "Submit" button to upload the eCBDF.
- The eCBCD System shall automatically send a notification to the Travelers' and Crew Members' registered email address informing successful registration to the eCBCD System in the form of a QR Code which can be downloaded and shall be presented to Customs Officer at the arrival area for clearance.
- Clearance Channels. According to his/her declaration, the Traveler or Crew Member shall proceed to the following channels, as applicable:
  - GREEN LANE For Travelers with <u>Nothing to Declare</u> or having with them only goods which can be admitted free of import duties and taxes and not having with them any goods which are subject to import prohibition, restriction or regulation; and
  - RED LANE For Travelers and Crew Member with <u>Goods to</u>
     <u>Declare</u> for purposes of import duties and taxes, or having
     with them goods above the exempted Customs limit, or
     having with them any goods or article which are
     prohibited, controlled or regulated, for purposes of
     validation.
  - Pursuant to the risk management selection process such as random and/or reasoned selection or on account of intelligence information, a Customs Officer may direct any Traveler or Crew Member arriving in all ports of entry to the RED CHANNEL regardless of their declaration in the eCBDF or eCDF.
  - A Crew Member, regardless of his/her declaration in the eCBDF or eCDF shall be directed to the lane provided for Crew Members or in the absence thereof, to the RED LANE, for mandatory physical examination of their baggage.
- Clearance Procedure under Green Lane.
  - The Traveler shall present the QR Code together with his or her passport to the assigned Customs Examiner at the Arrival Area at the port of entry.
  - The assigned Customs Examiner shall scan the QR Code which shall reflect the following details for reference and validation:
    - Name of Traveler or Crew Member;
    - Passport Number;
    - Nothing to Declare or Goods to Declare;

cf. CAO No. 2-2014, Section 2.1

cf. CAO No. 2-2014, Section 2.1 (A).

CAO No. 1-2017, Section 5.2.

- Date and Time of Declaration;
- Flight Number; and
- Date and Time of Arrival or Departure.
- The Customs Examiner shall verify the information in the passport as against the eCBDF, and eCDF if applicable.
- The Customs Examiner shall verbally ask the Traveler if they have anything to declare.
- If the Traveler confirms that he has goods to declare, the examiner shall request the Traveler in correcting the entries in the eCBDF, or render assistance if necessary. Thereafter, the Traveler shall be directed to proceed to the red lane or secondary examination room for the conduct of physical examination.
- If the Traveler has nothing to declare and the assigned Customs Examiner is convinced with the statement of the Traveler, the Customs Examiner shall clear the Traveler and authorize the release of the accompanied baggage, if any.
- If the Customs Examiner is not satisfied with the declaration of the Traveler due to intelligence information, reasoned or random selection, they shall escort the Traveler to the red lane or secondary examination room for physical examination of the Traveler and/or accompanied baggage.

#### • Clearance Procedure under Red Lane.

- For arriving Travelers and Crew Member proceeding to or was directed to the RED LANE, the assigned Customs Examiner or the Examiner who escorted the Traveler to the RED LANE or secondary examination room shall conduct an examination and report their findings and assessment under the column "FOR CUSTOMS USE ONLY" of the eCBDF indicating therein all the necessary information, such as quantity, description of articles, dutiable value, rate and amount of duty and tax, among others.
- For a Crew Member who has nothing to declare, the assigned Customs Examiner shall conduct physical examination. If the declaration is validated, the Customs Examiner shall clear the Crew Member and release the baggage.
- Clearance without Payment. Baggage not containing any dutiable or taxable goods shall be cleared immediately by the Examiner by attaching his/her electronic signature to the eCBDF.
- Clearance with Payment. Baggage found to contain dutiable or taxable goods shall be assessed duties, taxes and other charges. The Examiner shall encode his/her computation of the duties and taxes in the Examiner's Findings Box of the

CAO No. 1-2017, Section 5.2.

of the eCBDF and shall attach his/her electronic signature. The Flight Supervisor shall review the findings and computation and attach his/her electronic signature if he/she affirms said findings and computation. The Examiner shall inform the Traveler or Crew Member the total amount of the assessed duties, taxes and other charges. If the Traveler or Crew Member agrees to pay the total amount of duties, taxes and other charges, the Flight Supervisor shall electronically transmit the eCBDF to the Collecting Officer.

In case the Traveler or Crew Member refuses to pay duties, taxes and other charges or does not have sufficient funds, the baggage Bureau of Customs and the goods shall be held in the In-Bond Room of the Baggage Assistance Division and a Held-Baggage Receipt (HBR) shall be issued as provided under Procedure for Arriving Travelers and Crew Members to the Traveler or Crew Member.

Upon receipt of the eCBDF, the Collecting Officer shall collect the AdministrativeOfficer duties, taxes and other charges and encode in the system the BCOR No., date of payment and amount paid. He/she shall give the original copy of BCOR to the Traveler or Crew Member. The Traveler or Crew Member shall then return to the customs lane and present the BCOR to the Examiner who shall verify the correctness of the amount paid and stamp "CLEARED" on the BCOR affixing his/her signature and indicating the date.

#### • Clearance with Currency Declaration.

• Foreign currency in the amount of 10K USD or less need not be declared. If the Traveler or Crew Member declares in the eCBDF or verbally declares that he is carrying foreign currency or monetary instruments in excess of USD \$10,000 or equivalent, the Examiner shall verify whether the Traveler or Crew Member filled out the eCDF. If the Traveler or Crew Member filled out the eCDF, the Examiner shall verify the information provided by the Traveler or Crew Member in the eCDF with the information in the passport.

The Examiner shall print a copy of the eCDF in three (3) sets.

In case the Traveler or Crew Member failed to fill out the eCDF, the Examiner shall provide a hardcopy of the CDF and ask the Traveler or Crew Member to completely accomplish all the boxes in the form. The Examiner shall assist the Traveler or Crew Member in the filling out of all the boxes in the CDF.

Upon submission of the CDF, the Examiner shall check the information in the CDF as filled out by the Traveler or Crew Member as against the information contained in the Traveler or Crew Member's passport. The Examiner shall ensure that the amount of declared currency shall be written in words and in figures.

Before counting the currency, the Examiner shall verify with the Traveler or Crew Member whether the amount written in the CDF is the actual amount they are bringing in.

The counting of the currency shall be conducted in the secondary examination room in the presence of the Traveler or Crew Member or their authorized representative, including the CIIS and ESS as witnesses under the supervision of the Flight Supervisor. The XIP Operative shall also act as a witness if the currency was discovered as a result of x-ray scanning.

The total amount of the currency must be declared. After the counting of the currency, and the declaration is found to be correct, the Examiner, Flight Supervisor, ESS Witness and CIIS Witness shall affix their signatures in the CDF. The Traveler or Crew Member shall be cleared and the currencies shall be released.

The first copy of CDF shall be retained and filed at the Arrival Operations Division. The Examiner shall give the second copy to the Traveler or Crew Member. The third copy shall be transmitted to the AMLC.

The Examiner shall input a digital entry in the eCBCD and encode the details of the currency declaration in behalf of the Traveler or Crew Member.

If the passenger did not make any foreign currency declaration, but after examination of the baggage and counting of the currency an amount in excess of USD10,000 is found, the USD10,000 or its equivalent shall be returned and the excess amount shall be held in the In-Bond Room of the Baggage Assistance Division and HBR shall be issued to the Traveler or Crew Member.

In case there is a discrepancy between the declared amount of foreign currency and that which is found after counting due to false declaration, the total amount declared shall be returned to the Traveler or Crew Member and the undeclared amount shall be held in the In-Bond Room of the Baggage Assistance Division and HBR shall be issued to the Traveler or Crew Member.

If fraud is apparent in the false declaration or non-declaration such as concealment of the undeclared amount or there was an attempt on the part of the Traveler or Crew Member to avoid customs examination or clearance, the Traveler or Crew Member shall be turned over to the ESS for investigation. In the absence of fraud, the Traveler or Crew Member shall be cleared.

If the Traveler or Crew Member declares in the eCDF or verbally declares that he is carrying Philippine currency or monetary instruments in excess of PhP 50,000.00, the Examiner shall require the submission of prior authorization from the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP). In the absence of a BSP authority, the Traveler and Crew Member may be allowed to exchange the Philippine currency to foreign currency from the airport banks located in the arrival area, if the excess amount is merely for personal expenses. Thereafter, the Traveler and Crew Member shall be cleared and the currency shall be released.

In case of non-declaration of Philippine currency in excess of PhP50,000.00 whether written or verbal, the Philippine currency shall be held in the In-Bond Room of the Baggage Assistance Division and HBR shall be issued to the Traveler or Crew Member.

If evidence of fraud exists, such as concealment or attempt to avoid customs examination and clearance, the Traveler and Crew Member shall be turned over to the ESS for investigation.

- The procedure provided under the preceding section shall likewise apply to the counting, release or holding in bond of Philippine currency.
- Clearance of Restricted, Regulated, or Prohibited Goods.

  Travelers or Crew Members bringing in restricted or regulated goods shall be required to present/submit the original copy of

•the import clearances/licenses/permits from the concerned regulatory agency. Upon submission of the verified permits/licenses/clearances, the Traveler and Crew Member shall be cleared, and the goods shall be released, subject to payment of duties, taxes and other charges, if applicable.

If the Traveler or Crew Member fails to submit the required import clearances/licenses/permits, the restricted or regulated goods shall be held in the In-Bond Room of the Baggage Assistance Division and HBR shall be issued to the Traveler or Crew Member. If evidence of fraud exists, such as concealment or attempt to avoid customs examination and clearance, the latter shall be turned over to the ESS for investigation. In the case of regulated perishable goods, such as fruits, vegetables, raw meat, they shall immediately be turned over to the concerned regulatory agency without issuance of HBR.

Prohibited goods shall be immediately held in the In-Bond Room of the Baggage Assistance Division and HBR shall be issued to the Traveler or Crew Member. The Traveler or Crew Member shall be turned over to the ESS for investigation.

The same procedure for examination, inventory of the goods, assessment and payment of duties, taxes and other charges, if applicable shall be done in case of regulated, restricted or prohibited goods.

Provided that, in case of drugs and other items covered under Republic Act 9165, as amended, the protocol in the inventory and transfer of custody of the seized drugs shall be strictly enforced.

#### • Issuance of Held-Baggage Receipt (HBR).

- The HBR is an accountable form bearing a serial number which is issued by the warehouseman of the In-Bond Section, Baggage Assistance Division to the Traveler or Crew Member whose baggage is held for any of the following reasons:
  - Insufficient Funds for payment of duties, taxes and other charges;
  - Traveler or Crew Member is required to submit clearances/permits/licenses;
  - Traveler or Crew Member refuses to pay the assessed duties and taxes;
  - Baggage to be claimed by the real owner;
  - Violations of the CMTA and related laws exist; or

- Other valid reasons.
- The following information shall be indicated in the HBR:
  - Tag number, if any;
  - Number of pieces of baggage;
  - Description and color of baggage (suit case, balikbayan box, plastic container, etc);
  - Weight of each baggage;
  - Nature of goods/contents of the baggage;
  - Serial number of the goods, if any;
  - Remarks, if any;
- The HBR shall be signed by the Traveler or Crew member, Baggage Assistance Division personnel, Examiner, Flight Supervisor and XIP witness if discovered through x-ray scanning. If the goods are currencies, the CIIS and ESS shall be required to sign as witnesses.

The copies of the HBR shall be distributed as follows:

- White copy to the Traveler or Crew Member;
- Blue copy to the Arrival Operations Division; and
- Pink copy to the Baggage Assistance Division

# Procedure for Departing Travelers and Crew Members

- Travelers and Crew Members shall log in at https://eCBCD.cgstpms.qov.ph and click "CDF" button and fill out/upload the following:
  - Personal Information;
  - Details of Travel;
  - Owner/Sender of Currency or Monetary Instruments;
  - Recipient of Currency or Monetary Instrument;
  - Currency or Monetary Instrument Information;
  - Signature; and
  - Email Address.
- Once complete, the Travelers and Crew Members shall tick the box for the Terms and Conditions and Data Privacy Consent.
- The Travelers and Crew Members shall click "Submit" button to upload the eCDF.
- The eCBCD System shall automatically send a notification to the Travelers' and Crew Members' registered email address informing successful registration to the eCBCD System in the form of a QR Code which can be downloaded.
- The QR Code may be printed or directly presented by the Traveler or Crew Member, together with his or her passport to the assigned Customs Examiner departure area at the port of exit.

- The assigned Customs Examiner shall scan the QR Code which shall reflect the following details for reference and validation:
  - Name of Traveler or Crew Member;
  - Passport Number;
  - Date and Time of Declaration;
  - Flight Number; and
  - Date and Time of Departure
- The procedure provided for inbound Travelers or Crew Members in relation to the examination and inventory of currency shall be applied in the same manner for outbound Travelers or Crew Members, including the submission of prior clearance from the BSP for Philippine currency or monetary instrument and/or the investigation of the Traveler or Crew Member in case of fraud.
- The findings shall be reflected in the "Examiner's Findings Box" in the eCDF. In case of CDF, the examiner shall reflect his/her findings in the "GOVERNMENT USE ONLY" portion of the CDF.
- If the Traveler or Crew Member has presented the CDF, the Examiner shall input a digital entry in the eCDF and encode the details of the currency declaration in behalf of the Traveler or Crew Member.

#### **ECBCD Kiosk**

The Assigned Customs Officer shall likewise assist Travelers and Crew Members in using the eCBCD Kiosk in cases when the Traveler or Crew Member was not able to accomplish the eCBDF or eCDF, as applicable in the web portal of the eCBCD System prior to his or her arrival or departure.

#### Paper Form

The paper form of the **CBDF/CDF** shall likewise be available at the arrival/departure Customs counter for manual filling-out of the Travelers and Crew Members who are not capable of accessing or using the eCBCD System or in cases of system breakdown, unstable internet connection, among others.

The assigned Customs officer shall assist the Travelers in accomplishing the eCBDF/eCDF or its paper form.

The assigned Customs officer shall encode the details of the declaration in the system and upload the scanned copy of the paper form.

Travelers are strongly encouraged to accomplish the eCBDF or eCDF to avoid delays in the clearance of the goods or currency.

#### eCBDC System Help Desk

An eCBCD System Help Desk shall be made available in the Customs Client Portal System which can be accessed at https://client.customs.gov.ph to provide assistance for Travelers and Crew Members intending to use the eCBCD system.

#### Confidentiality of Information

- The Bureau recognizes its responsibilities under Republic Act No. 10173, also known as the Data Privacy Act of 2012 and CMO No. 16-2021 or the Bureau of Customs Data Privacy Manual, with respect to the data they collect, record, organize, update, use, consolidate or destruct from its stakeholders.
- All personal data and/or proprietary information obtained from the system entered and stored in the eCBCD System are for BOC, AMLC and BSP purposes only. It shall remain confidential and will not be disclosed to third parties without the consent of the Traveler and Crew Member.
- Every officer, agent or employee of the Bureau who shall be found guilty or unlawfully disclosing confidential information gained during any investigation or audit, or using such information for personal gain or detriment to the government, the Bureau or third parties shall be penalized pursuant to Section 1431 of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act and the Data Privacy Act.

#### Periodic Review and Updating

Unless otherwise provided, this Order and the eCBCD System shall be reviewed every three (3) years and be amended and/or updated as necessary.

#### Repealing Clause

All other Orders, Memoranda, Circulars or part thereof which are inconsistent with this Customs Memorandum Order are hereby deemed repealed and/or modified accordingly.

### Separability Clause

If any part of this Order is declared by Courts as unconstitutional or contrary to existing laws, the other parts not so declared shall remain in full force and effect.

### **Effectivity**

This Order shall take effect immediately.

The Office of National Administrative Register (ONAR) of the UP Law Center shall be provided three (3) certified copies of this Order.

### CMC NO. 44-2022

Issue Date: March 23, 2022

KEYWORDS: Department of Agriculture, import requirements, in-quota tariff rate of duty, MAVIC, MAVPIC, out-quota tariff rate of duty

Please be informed of the response letter dated 15 February 2022, deferring the letter request dated 19 January 2022 from Secretary William D. Dar of the Department of Agriculture, to accommodate the Minimum Access Volume Import Certificate (MAVIC) of MAV Plus imports that will arrive beyond February 28, 2022, provided the date of the issued MAVIC must be on or before January 31, 2022.

Accordingly, any issuances of MAV Plus Certificate (MAVPIC) beyond 28 February 2022 shall be assessed using the out-quota tariff rate of duty. Steps should also be undertaken to collect additional duties on the difference between in-quota and out-quota rates on affected importations.

For your information and guidance.

### CMC NO. 47-2022

Issue Date: March 24, 2022

KEYWORDS: cosmetics, FDA, household/urban hazardous substances, import, raw materials, regulation

With reference to the letter dated February 4, 2022 from Engr. Ana Trinidad F. Rivera, MSc, Director IV, Center for Cosmetics and Household/Urban Hazardous Substances Regulation and Research (CCHUHSRR), Food and Drug Administration (FDA) informing the Bureau that the importation of raw materials listed in the attached summary list and consigned to Euro Chemicals Inc. can be used in cosmetic products and personal care related products.

The information confirms that the following provision under FDA Memorandum Circular 2013-032 will prevail:

"For raw materials used in the manufacture of cosmetics and household and urban hazardous substances both the License to Operate (LTO) and the Certificate of Notification/ Registration are no longer required to be presented or submitted to the Bureau of Customs".

For information and guidance.

### CMC NO. 55-2022

Issue Date: April 21, 2022

KEYWORDS: Food and Drug Administration, household urban/hazardous substances, interim guidelines, labeling, product registration

#### Rationale

On 24 May 2021, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) issued FDA Circular No, 2021-01 with subject, Extension of Transitory Period for the Implementation of FDA Circular No. 2020-025, "Implementing Guidelines for Administrative Order No. 2019-0019" wherein the Household/Urban Hazardous Substances (HUHS) industry was until 31 December 2021 to comply with the new licensing and registration requirements for HUHS and products, respectively. However, as the current transitory period draws to end, appeals had been made by the HUHS industry other stakeholders for the FDA to give them a longer compliance period within which the covered HUHS establishments can secure the appropriate marketing authorization for their HUHS products as required by FDA Circular No. 2020-025.

In view of the foregoing and in consideration of the economic challenges brought about by the current state of calamity in the country due to COVID-19, the FDA recognizes the need to extend the current transitory period and assist the HUHS industry as they comply with the registration requirements of FDA Circular No. 2020-025.

#### **Objectives**

- Establish a 2-year transitory period extension for HUHS product registration; and
- Establish an interim guideline for product registration as well as product labeling during the transitory period.

#### Scope

This issuance shall apply to products classified as Categories III and IV of HUHS as defined in Republic Act No. 9711 and categorized in FDA Circular No. 2020-025, and the establishments engaged or intending to engage in their manufacture,

importation, exportation, distribution, sale, offer for sale, transfer, promotion, advertising and/or sponsorship. The covered Categories III and IV HUHS products shall be intended for consumer or institutional use only and shall not covered those intended for industrial use.

#### Guidelines

- Two (2) Year Transitory Period Extension The 2-year transitory period extension shall start on 01 January 2022 and end on 31 December 2023.
  - License to Operate (LTO) The 2-year transitory period extension shall not apply to the licensing of HUHS establishments. Hence, effective 01 January 2022, a LTO as HUHS establishment shall be mandatory for all establishments engaged or intending to engage in HUHSrelated activities.
  - Certificate of Product Registration (CPR) The 2-year transitory period extension shall apply to the registration of HUHS products. Hence, from 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2023, HUHS establishments may continue to distribute their HUHS products without a CPR from the FDA. However, effective 01 January 2024, a CPR shall be mandatory for all HUHS products distributed in the market.

Furthermore, the 2-year transitory period extension shall serve as the exhaustion period within which the HUHS establishments may deplete the remaining stocks of HUHS products with labels that are not compliant with the labeling requirements set forth in Annex J of FDA Circular No. 2020-025 including the GHS label elements.

As such, for the purposes of HUHS product registration, the FDA shall accept complete, loose artwork of existing labels of all packaging sizes of the product, as applicable, regardless of compliance to Annex J of FDA Circular No. 2020-025 as this shall be the basis for the additional conditions that the HUHS establishment must comply with at the end of the transitory period upon implementation of the full labeling requirements. Notwithstanding the acceptance of loose artwork of existing HUHS product labels, all product claims reflected on said label shall be substantiated by sufficient documentation during product registration.

- Other authorizations including Customs Clearances, Sales and Promo Permit and Certificate of Free Sale (CFS) – Securing Sales and Promo Permits for products covered by this Circular are not mandatory, including Customs Clearances as the issuance of the said permits require a valid CPR. For the purposes of conducting advertising and sales promotions activities and customsrelated concerns, a copy of this Circular together with a cop of the valid LTO of the HUHS establishment may be presented to government and non-government entities in lieu of a valid FDA-issued CPR.
- Post-Marketing Surveillance (PMS) of HUHS Products PMS shall be in accordance with FDA Circular No. 2020-025 during and after the transitory period extension. This does not preclude this Office from issuing subsequent orders it may deem necessary and appropriate, particularly on labeling to ensure consumer protection and prevent misleading claims on labeling and should there be any findings of any violation of the company to the existing laws, rules, and regulations.
- Reiteration/Adoption of Other Provisions in FDA Circular No. 2020-025 – The Responsibilities of Marketing Authorization Holder (MAH) including all other clauses or parts stipulated in FDA Circular No. 2020-025 remains valid and shall be enforced.
- After the 2-Year Transitory Period Extension
  - CPR shall be mandatory for all HUHS products distributed in the market.
  - Sales and Promo Permit shall be mandatory for all companies conducting promotional activities with participating HUHS products.
  - Labels of HUHS products shall be fully compliant with Annex J FDA Circular No. 2020-025, including the GHS Label Elements.
  - Any requests for exhaustion of remaining stock of noncompliant labels or HUHS products with non-compliant labels shall no longer be granted.

#### Repealing Clause

This circular hereby amends relevant provisions in FDA Circular Nos. 2020-025 and 2021-011.

#### Separability Clause

The provisions of this Circular are hereby declared separable and in the event of any provision/s is/are declared invalid or unenforceable, the validity of enforceability of the remaining portions or provisions which are not affected, shall remain in full force and in effect.

### **Effectivity**

This Circular shall take effect fifteen (15) days following the completion of the publication in a newspaper of general circular and filing with the University of the Philippines Law Center Office of the National Administrative Register.

# **MISTG MEMO NO. 06-2022**

Issue Date: April 28, 2022

KEYWORDS: Bureau of Customs Official Receipts, E2M System, payment cancellation

As part of the MISTG deliverables in relation to the enhancement of the E2M Payment System, the Cancel Payment Operation in the Miscellaneous Payment module is developed to allow the cancellation of erroneous issued Bureau of Customs Official Receipts (BCOR).

In relation to this, BOC Cashier/Landbank of the Philippines (Inhouse bank) Cashier must provide a letter request addressed to the Cash Division Chief for the approval of the cancellation with the attached copy of the issued BCOR.

The approval and disapproval of the cancellation requests can be done in the Miscellaneous Module of the E2M system which will be available on 02 May 2022.

For your information and guidance.

# **OCOM MEMO NO. 46-2022**

Issue Date: April 6, 2022

KEYWORDS: billing, CMO No. 09-2022, liquidation

In relation to the issuance of the Customs Memorandum Order 09-2022 last 24 March 2022 with the subject "Guidelines in the Implementation of the Liquidation and Billing System (LBS) and Post-Entry Modification of Single Administrative Document (SAD) by the Liquidation and Billing Division (LBD) or equivalent unit", the Management Information System and Technology Group will implement the LBS on **13 April 2022** in all ports nationwide.

For your information and guidance.

# **OCOM MEMO NO. 49-2022**

Issue Date: April 8, 2022

KEYWORDS: AOCG Memo No. 118-2022, E-TRACC, GPS device, protective gear, safety protocols

This memorandum is to reiterate AOCG Memo No. 118-2022 in order to prevent any accident or untoward incident during the performance of your duties in the field, you are reminded to always wear the proper protective gears and equipment at all times and to follow strictly the safety protocols.

In addition to the above-mentioned Memorandum, listed below are the safety guidelines and protocols to be followed strictly before/during Arming/Disarming of E-TRACC GPS device by all concerned officers at the designated stations.

- Before Arming/Disarming of GPS Devices:
  - All container trucks shall have their engine off with full stop and transmission set at 1 st gear.
  - Parking brakes shall be observed at all times.
  - Truck drivers shall stay inside their vehicles while waiting in queue.
  - Wheel stoppers/ wheel barriers shall be used at the end of parking spaces to assist the drivers when parking the trucks.
- During Arming/Disarming of GPS Devices:
  - The presence of ESS Personnel or Security Guard is needed to act as a safety officer.
  - For Port of Manila, Arming/Disarming station shall be inside the Container Terminal.
  - The use of Arming/Disarming ramp shall be required from the Terminal Operators.
  - Terminal Operators must ensure that the Arming / Disarming areas are well lighted
  - Installation of CCTV cameras in Arming / Disarming stations for realtime monitoring to ensure that the proper guidelines are followed.

All District Collectors, Deputy Collectors, Division Chiefs and all concerned are advised to implement additional measures and safety guidelines that they deem necessary to ensure the safety of their field personnel

For immediate and strict compliance.

# **OCOM MEMO NO. 50-2022**

Issue Date: April 12, 2022

KEYWORDS: Automated Bonds Management System, General Warehousing Bonds, implementation, Port of Batangas, Port of Cagayan de Oro, Port of Cebu, Port of Dadiangas, Port of Davao, Port of Iloilo, Port of Tacloban, Port of Zamboanga, W-SAD, warehousing

In line with the implementation of the Automated Bonds Management System for General Warehousing bond, please be informed that the attachment of the approved bond policy in all electronically lodged warehousing goods declarations shall be mandatory starting **25 April 2022**.

The BOC Warehouseman at the port shall tag "**Validate**" the processed and paid Warehousing Single Administrative Document (W-SAD) in the E2M System once it arrives at the warehouse.

For your information and guidance.

### **OCOM MEMO NO. 55-2022**

Issue Date: April 18, 2022

KEYWORDS: BOC Customer Care Centers, Bureau of Customs, National Single Window (NSW) Public Awareness Campaign Program, NSW brochures

In November 2021, the USAID ASEAN Policy Implementation (API) Project provided technical assistance to the Bureau of Customs for the implementation of the National Single Window (NSW) Public Awareness of Campaign Program.

In this regard, all BOC Customer Care Centers are directed to disseminate the NSW brochures to all stakeholders. These brochures aim to provide an overview of the NSW Task Force of Cargo Clearance and the ASEAN Single Window (ASW) Regional Exchange, including the onboarding journey of Trade Regulatory Government Agencies (TRGAs). This may be beneficial in increasing the awareness of stakeholders on the NSW and ASEAN Single Window (ASW) initiatives and promoting their benefits as drivers of trade facilitation and cross-border papers trade.

For guidance and strict compliance.

# **OCOM MEMO NO. 56-2022**

Issue Date: April 19, 2022

KEYWORDS: AIMS, Customs Memorandum Order No. 34-2021, E2M System, implementation, Port of Manila, RMLS, WSAD

In relation to the issued Customs Memorandum Order No. 34-2021 on the Implementation of Raw Materials Liquidation System (RMLS) in the E2M System, please be informed that the pilot implementation of the said system at the Port of Manila is on 02 May 2022.

The E2M-RMLS, which has been integrated to the Automated Inventory Management System (AIMS), shall be applied to all goods declaration for warehousing or Warehousing Single Administrative Documents (WSAD) lodged in the E2M System.

For your information and guidance.

# **AOCG MEMO NO. 131-2022**

Issue Date: March 28, 2022

KEYWORDS: advance rulings, import, tariff classification

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification related to Importation of Goods), the Tariff Commission furnished copies of the Advance Ruling (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circulars (TCC/AR) issued on 24 March 2022 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

21-195A MM), P	EW PAN (6 MM X 6 PART NO. 90005-KY7- 0003" W TAPPING (5 MM X	7318.15.10	MFN - 10% Ad Valorem ATIGA - Zero*
1 1	W TAPPING (5 MM X		
	л), PART NO. 93903- 35280"	7318.15.10	MFN - 10% Ad Valorem ATIGA - Zero*
	V TAPPING 4 MM X 12 ), PART NO. 93903- 34380"	7318.15.10	MFN - 10% Ad Valorem ATIGA - Zero*

# **AOCG MEMO NO. 132-2022**

Issue Date: April 8, 2022

KEYWORDS: advance rulings, import, tariff classification

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TCC NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2017 AHTN CODE	2020 RATES OF DUTY
21-155	"CONDALAB PTC AGAR (INDUSTRIAL AGAR)"	1302.31.00	MFN - 3% Ad Valorem
21-323	"APPLICATION CONTORLLER, MODEL: DAC- 1146"	8537.10.99C	MFN - 5% Ad Valorem
21-366	"OLYMPUS MOBILE WORKSTATION MODEL NO.: WM-NP3"	9402.90.10	MFN - 3% Ad Valorem
21-369	"PISCO TUBE FITTING, Model: KL8-02"	7412.20.91	MFN - 3% Ad Valorem AKFTA - Zero* AJCEPA - Zero* PJEPA - Zero*
21-371	"PISCO TUBE FITTING, Model: PL8-02"	3917.40.00	MFN - 15% Ad Valorem AKFTA - 5% Ad Valorem AJCEPA - Zero* PJEPA - Zero*
*Subject to submission of their corresponding CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (CO).			

# **AOCG MEMO NO. 133-2022**

Issue Date: March 28, 2022

KEYWORDS: advance rulings, import, tariff classification

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification related to Importation of Goods), the Tariff Commission furnished copies of the Advance Ruling (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circulars (TCC/AR) issued on 24 March 2022 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2017 AHTN CODE	2020 RATES OF DUTY
21-199	"BOLT FLANGE (5 MM X 14 MM) NO.: 90002-KRM-8403"	7318.15.10	MFN - 10% Ad Valorem ATIGA - Zero*
21-200	"BOLT FLANGE (6 MM X 12 MM), PART NO.: 95701- 06012-07"	7318.15.10	MFN - 10% Ad Valorem ATIGA - Zero*
21-201	"BOLT FLANGE (6 MM X 22 MM), PART NO.: 95701- 06022-00"	7318.15.10	MFN - 10% Ad Valorem ATIGA - Zero*
21-210	"BOLT FLANGE SH (6 MM X 22 MM), PART NO.: 96001 - 06022-00"	7318.15.10	MFN - 10% Ad Valorem ATIGA - Zero*
*Subject to submission of their corresponding CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (CO).			

### **AOCG MEMO NO. 137-2022**

Issue Date: April 20, 2022

KEYWORDS: Bureau of Plant Industry, import, RA No. 11203, Rice Tariffication Law, SPSIC

This refers to the clarifications made by George Y. Culaste, Director, Bureau of Plant Industry (BPI) on Sec. 4 of RA No. 11203 otherwise known as the Rice Tariffication Law which states "Failure on the part of the BPI to release the SPSIC without informing the rice importer of any error, deficiency, omission, or additional documentary requirements shall mean automatic approval of the SPSIC applied for within seven (7) days of the submission of complete requirements."

As per letter of Dir. Culaste dated 12 April 2022, "importations covered by the above-mentioned provision are verified wherein a **letter of validation** is issued stating that there was indeed a **valid and deemed approved** Sanitary and Phytosanitary Import Clearance (SPSIC) application lodged by the importer in the DA Trade System. Such letter is provided to PQ Offices at the ports of entry..."

# **AOCG MEMO NO. 150-2022**

Issue Date: April 27, 2022

KEYWORDS: ecozones, E-TRACC, E-TRACC implementation, exports

Pursuant to the implementation of Customs Memorandum Order No. 04-2020 all offices concerned are hereby directed to ensure that all containers processed shall adhere to the provisions of the CMO and specific guidelines as follows:

All export containers from the economic zones indicated below shall adhere to the AOCG Memo No. 493-2021 with a subject "E-TRACC Exports Implementation for Economic Zones" issued last September 2021 by AOCG Deputy Commissioner Edward James A. Dy Buco.

IMPLEMENTATION DATE	NAME OF ECONOMIC ZONES	LOCATION
CEBU	MACTAN ECONOMIC ZONE I - SEZ	MACTAN, CEBU
16-May-22	MACTAN ECONOMIC ZONE II - SEZ	MACTAN, CEBU
;	CEBU LIGHT INDUSTRIAL PARK	MACTAN, CEBU
:	BASAK INDUSTRIAL PARK-SEZ	LAPU-LAPU, CEBU
	WEST CEBU INDUSTRIAL PARK - SEZ	BALAMBAN, CEBU
	MITSUMI REALTY INCORPORATED (MRI) - SEZ	LAHUG, CEBU
	HVG I.T PARK	MANDAUE, CEBU
ļ	CARMEN CEBU GUM INDUSTRIAL ZONE	CARMEN, CEBU
	CEBU BUSINESS PARK	CEBU CITY, CEBU
	CEBU I.T. PARK	CEBU CITY, CEBU

IMPLEMENTATION DATE	NAME OF ECONOMIC ZONES	LOCATION
BATANGAS	LIMA TECHNOLOGY CENTER - SEZ	MALVAR, BATANGAS
16-May-22	FIRST PHILIPPINE INDUSTRIAL PARK - SEZ	STO. TOMAS, BATANGAS
	FIRST PHILIPPINE INDUSTRIAL PARK 2 - SEZ	STO. TOMAS, BATANGAS
	COCOCHEM AGRO-INDUSTRIAL PARK - SEZ	SAN PASCUAL, BATANGAS
	FIRST INDUSTRIAL TOWNSHIP - SEZ	STO. TOMAS, BATANGAS
	LIGHT INDUSTRY & SCIENCE PARK IV - SEZ	MALVAR, BATANGAS
	AG&P SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE	BAUAN, BATANGAS

IMPLEMENTATION DATE	NAME OF ECONOMIC ZONES	LOCATION
BULACAN	STA. MARIA INDUSTRIAL PARK	STA. MARIA, BULACAN
16-May-22	PDC INFORMATION TECHNOPARK	SAN RAFAEL, BULACAN

IMPLEMENTATION DATE	NAME OF ECONOMIC ZONES	LOCATION
CAVITE	FIRST CAVITE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE - SEZ	DASMARINAS, CAVITE
1-Jun-22	EDS MANUFACTURING INC. (EMI YAZAKI)-SEZ	GENERAL TRIAS, CAVITE
	PEOPLE'S TECHNOLOGY COMPLEX - SEZ	CARMONA, CAVITE
	GOLDEN MILE BUSINESS PARK - SEZ	CARMONA, CAVITE
	SUNTRUST ECOTOWN TANZA	TANZA, CAVITE
	GOLDEN GATE BUSINESS PARK-CEPZ	GENERAL TRIAS, CAVITE
	DAIICHI INDUSTRIAL PARK - SEZ	SILANG, CAVITE
	GATEWAY BUSINESS PARK	GENERAL TRIAS, CAVITE
	EMI-SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE	IMUS, CAVITE
	CAVITE TECHNOPARK-SEZ	NAIC, CAVITE
	CAVITE BIOFUELS ECOZONE	MAGALLANES, CAVITE

IMPLEMENTATION DATE	NAME OF ECONOMIC ZONES	LOCATION
LAGUNA	CARMELRAY INDUSTRIAL PARK I - SEZ	CALAMBA, LAGUNA
1-Jun-22	GREENFIELD AUTOMOTIVE PARK - SEZ	STA. ROSA, LAGUNA
	YTMI REALTY - SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE	CALAMBA, LAGUNA
	CARMELRAY INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS PARK	CALAMBA, LAGUNA
	AMKOR TECHNOLOGY - SEZ	BINAN, LAGUNA

IMPLEMENTATION DATE	NAME OF ECONOMIC ZONES	LOCATION
METRO MANILA	VICTORIA WAVE - SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE	CALOOCAN, METRO MANILA
16-Jun-22	I.T PARK TAGUIG	TAGUIG, METRO MANILA
	FOOD TERMINAL INCORPORATED SPECIAL -SEZ	TAGUIG, METRO MANILA
	AMKOR TECHNOLOGY - SEZ (MUNTINLUPA)	MUNTINLUPA, METRO MANILA
	ASAHI SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE	PASIG, METRO MANILA
	MACROASIA SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE	PASAY CITY, METRO MANILA
	CA TELEMARKETING INC	QUEZON CITY, METRO MANILA

IMPLEMENTATION DATE	NAME OF ECONOMIC ZONES	LOCATION
SUBIC	CLARK SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE	CLARK, PAMPANGA
16-Jun-22	CLARK TEXAS INSTRUMENTS - SEZ	CLARK, PAMPANGA
	ANGELES INDUSTRIAL PARK - SEZ	ANGELES, PAMPANGA
	PAMPANGA ECONOMIC ZONE	ANGELES, PAMPANGA
	PAMPANGA EXPORT PROCESSING ZONE	ANGELES, PAMPANGA
	TECO INDUSTRIAL PARK	MABALACAT, PAMPANGA
	ALVIERA INDUSTRIAL PARK	PORAC, PAMPANGA
	SUBIC SHIPYARD - SEZ	SUBIC, ZAMBALES
	SUBIC BAY FREEPORT ZONE	SUBIC, ZAMBALES
	BAGUIO CITY ECONOMIC ZONE	BAGUIO CITY, BENGUET
	HERMOSA ECOZONE AND INDUSTRIAL PARK	HERMOSA, BATAAN
	FREEPORT AREA OF BATAAN	LIMAY, BATAAN
	BATAAN ECONOMIC ZONE (PETRON)	LIMAY, BATAAN
	LUISITA INDUSTRIAL PARK	SAN MIGUEL, TARLAC CITY

BOC Export Examiner/Appraiser or any BOC Authorized Customs Officer responsible for processing import or export clearance will not approve any import or exports SAD without the required E-TRACC Booking as prescribed in Section 10.6.3 of CMO 04-2020.

Additional E-TRACC exports implementation of other economic zones shall be covered by a separate memorandum of implementation.

For further inquiries or concerns, please feel free to call Ascent Customer support Hotline 632-82757766 and mobile nos. 0919-0793049, 0919-0806209, and 0919-0806210.

For strict compliance.

# **AOCG MEMO NO. 152-2022**

Issue Date: April 12, 2022

KEYWORDS: advance rulings, import, tariff classification

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification related to Importation of Goods), the Tariff Commission furnished copies of the Advance Ruling (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circulars (TCC/AR) issued on 08 April 2022 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2017 AHTN CODE	2020 RATES OF DUTY		
22-065	"GWM HAVAL JOLION HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLE (HEV)"	8703.40.82	MFN - 30% Ad Valorem ACFTA - 5% Ad Valorem		
22-066	"GWM HAVAL H6 HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLE (HEV)"	8703.40.82	MFN - 30% Ad Valorem ACFTA - 5% Ad Valorem		
*Subject to submission of their corresponding CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (CO).					

# **AOCG MEMO NO. 153-2022**

Issue Date: April 13, 2022

KEYWORDS: advance rulings, import, tariff classification

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification related to Importation of Goods), the Tariff Commission furnished copies of the Advance Ruling (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circular (TCC/AR) issued on 11 April 2022 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2017 AHTN CODE	2020 RATES OF DUTY	
21-143	"NECKRING BAR (CAST IRON)"	7325.99.90	MFN - 15% Ad Valorem	
*Subject to submission of their corresponding CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (CO).				

# **AOCG MEMO NO. 155-2022**

Issue Date: April 19, 2022

KEYWORDS: advance rulings, import, tariff classification

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification related to Importation of Goods), the Tariff Commission furnished copies of the Advance Ruling (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circulars (TCC/AR) issued on 13 April 2022 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2017 AHTN CODE	2020 RATES OF DUTY	
21-355	"ELCO BE CS"	3824.99.70	MFN - 3% Ad Valorem	
22-029	"BOLT FLANGE SH (6 MM x 40 MM), PART NO.: 96001- 06040-00"	7318.15.10	MFN - 10% Ad Valorem ATIGA - Zero*	
22-048	"ALUFORMS ALUMINUM FORMWORKS"	8480.60.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem ATIGA - Zero*	
21-343	"ELCOVIT A 250"	2938.21.00	MFN - Zero*	
22-028	"BOLT FLANGE SH (6 MM x 35 MM), PART NO.: 96001- 06035-00"	7318.15.10	MFN - 10% Ad Valorem ATIGA - Zero*	
22-038	"AMPHONEX (AMPHOTERICIN B)"	3004.20.99	MFN - 5% Ad Valorem AIFTA - Zero*	
*Subject to submission of their corresponding CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (CO).				

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