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Traders and Declaring Agents

Dear Sir/Madam

## **CHANGES TO THE PROHIBITION OF EXPORTS, TRANSHIPMENTS AND GOODS IN TRANSIT TO SOMALIA THROUGH SINGAPORE**

Under Regulation 6(1)(b) of the Regulation of Imports and Exports Regulations (RIER), the importation into, exportation from, transshipment in or transit through Singapore of any goods which will contravene the decisions of the United Nations Security Council in resolutions (UNSCR) made under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations, are prohibited.

2 With the adoption of UNSCR 2662 (2022) on Somalia, Singapore has updated the Seventh Schedule, read with regulation 6(2)(c) of the RIER to update the prohibitions imposed by the UNSC. The updated prohibitions have been published in the **Regulation of Imports and Exports (Amendment No.2) Regulations 2023**. The update incorporates revisions in prohibitions and editorial amendments which will take effect **on 26 May 2023**.

3 Traders should note that the export, transshipment, and transit of arms and related matériel intended solely for the development of Somalia's security and police institutions at the national and local level, to provide security for the Somali people, is not prohibited, except that:

- a) in the case of a no-objection item, only if the committee established under resolutions 751 (1992) and 1907 (2009) has been notified by Somalia, a United Nations member state delivering that item or an international, a regional or subregional organisation delivering that item and did not, within five working days after receiving the notification, make a negative decision; and
- b) in the case of an advance notification item, only if a notification to the committee is established under resolutions 751 (1992) and 1907 (2009) has been submitted by Somalia, a United Nations member state delivering that item or an international, a regional or subregional organisation delivering that item or at least five working days in advance of that item.

## **More Information**

4 Details on the UNSC sanctions can be found at: <https://www.customs.gov.sg> > Businesses > United Nations Security Council Sanctions.

5 You may view the subsidiary legislation at Singapore Statutes Online: [sso.agc.gov.sg](https://sso.agc.gov.sg).

Yours faithfully

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