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To: All Traders and Declaring Agents

LIFTING OF PROHIBITION ON EXPORTS TO SIERRA LEONE

Further to I&E Notice No. 4/98 and 19/98, and Customs Circular No. 26/2003 on the lifting of prohibition of export of petroleum and petroleum products to Sierra Leone, the lifting of prohibition of exports to the Government of Sierra Leone, the Military Observer Group of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOMOG) and the United Nations through approved points of entry into Sierra Leone, and the lifting of prohibition on imports of rough diamonds from Sierra Leone respectively, we wish to inform you that in accordance with the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) Resolution 1940 (2010), the prohibition of exports from Singapore to Sierra Leone of the following items is lifted:

- (1) Arms and related materials of all types, including weapons; ammunition; military vehicles; military equipment; and paramilitary equipment, and spare parts of any of these items.

Clarification on TradeNet[®] Permit Application Requirements

2 Traders who wish to import, export or tranship **any non-controlled goods** from/to Sierra Leone may submit your permit applications through the TradeNet[®] system. You can view more details on the import, export and transhipment permit application procedures at the following URL:

<http://www.customs.gov.sg/leftNav/trad/Import+and+Export+Procedures.htm>.

3 For export and transhipment of **strategic goods and technology** to Sierra Leone, traders are required to submit a TradeNet[®] strategic goods Tier 1 permit application at least 5 working days before the intended date of shipment from Singapore. An approved permit would have to be obtained **prior to** the intended shipment.

4 For further enquiries or clarifications, please email us at customs_documentation@customs.gov.sg.

Yours sincerely

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by assuring the integrity of the trading system*