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CUSTOMS REQUIREMENTS ON GOODS COVERED BY CARNET

Pre-shipment Inspection and Re-entry of Goods under Local Carnet

All local Carnet holders are required to apply for Customs pre-shipment inspection of goods prior to export. The applicant has to forward the application for Customs inspection together with details of the goods listed in the General List of the Carnet. This is to facilitate processing of the application and for the Temporary Import Unit (TIU) officer at Documentation Branch to decide whether pre-shipment inspection is to be conducted or waived. If pre-shipment inspection is required, the TIU officer would endorse in the "Certificate by Customs Authorities" box on the front cover of the Carnet after the inspection is conducted. If pre-shipment inspection is waived, the application form that was submitted earlier by the applicant would be endorsed by the TIU officer with remarks granting waiver of inspection and faxed back to the applicant for export clearance.

2 It is not necessary for the applicant to send the Carnet to Revenue House for endorsement if the pre-shipment inspection is waived. Instead, the endorsement would be made by our checkpoint officers when the consignment, the Carnet and the application form bearing the endorsement of TIU officer granting waiver of inspection are produced at the checkpoint for export clearance.

3 Subsequently, the re-entry of goods into Singapore exported under a local carnet is also subject to Customs inspection. The procedure is same as those goods imported under foreign ATA carnet mentioned in the following paragraph.

Inspection of Goods under Foreign ATA Carnet

4 All goods under foreign ATA Carnet are subject to Customs inspection upon entry into or exit out of Singapore. Conventional cargoes are examined at the checkpoints at the time of import/export while containerised cargoes will be inspected at the importer's premise at the time of importation and prior to exportation. Importers are reminded to apply for Customs supervision of stuffing/unstuffing of containers imported or to be exported under ATA Carnet. The application can be made at the Temporary Import Unit (TIU), Documentation Branch at Fax No: 2509606. You may also submit the application through e-filing at our website at <http://www.gov.sg/customs/>.

5 If you have further clarification on the procedure, please contact Mr Steven Ho at Telephone Number 3552100.

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