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All Traders and Declaring Agents

TRADENET 2.0

The current TradeNet Version 1.8 has been enhanced for implementation as TradeNet 2.0 on 1 Jan 99. This new Version will run either on Windows or Internet platform instead of the present DOS platform. It will allow users to submit permit declarations through the TradeNet more efficiently with a faster turnaround time. As such, TradeNet Version 2.0 will be on interactive mode instead of batch mode processing as in TradeNet Version 1.8.

2 TradeNet Version 2.0 is year 2000 compliant with all the date fields expanded to incorporate the century, i.e. ccyyymmdd.

3 To ensure a smooth cut-over to TradeNet Version 2.0 on 1 Jan 99 and to enable users to familiarise themselves with the new software, there will be the usual one-month parallel run of the TradeNet Version 2.0 concurrently with the existing Version 1.8 from 1 to 31 Jan 99. During this period, users are encouraged to acquire the new software and to use it to make their declarations as soon as possible. Also, during the parallel run period, all electronic amendments under the Version 1.8 will have to be made manually for users who have upgraded their software to Version 2.0.

4 All the software developed by the authorised vendors are required to pass the Quality Assurance (QA) test by CED. Users are reminded that they should only acquire software that have passed the QA test as only CED approved software can be used to transmit declarations. The following software vendors are participating in the development of TradeNet Version 2.0:

<u>Name of Company</u>	<u>Tel No</u>
ST Computer Systems & Services Ltd	4423588
IPACS Computer Services (S) Pte Ltd	7734688
Singapore Network Services	7785611
Port of Singapore Authority (PortNet)	3211528

5 To assist users to familiarise themselves with the new software, CED will be conducting one-day courses from Dec 98 to Jan 99 at the Customs Training School Theatre on a vendor-basis. Users are urged to liaise with their software vendors to enrol for the course.

6 If you need any further clarification, please call our Customs Service Centre at telephone 355 2000.

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