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**DUTY PAYMENT ON CIGARETTES PACKS
CONTAINING FEWER THAN 20 STICKS NOT ALLOWED**

The Health Sciences Authority (HSA), Tobacco Regulation Unit (TRU), has announced that with effect from 1 Dec 2003, the sale of cigarettes in packs containing less than 20 sticks will be banned. [Ref: HSA letter CPA (TRU) 36:15 Vol 3 dated 18 Sep 2003]

2 Pursuant to the ban, the transmission of any Normal Duty (ND) or Joint Direct Import Duty Payment (DI) declarations for such cigarettes with effect from 1 Dec 2003 will not be allowed.

3 Traders/declarants are reminded that there will be no refund on duty / GST paid on cigarettes once they are released from Customs Control.

4 If you need clarification, please call our Customs Call Centre at Tel No 6355 2000 and followed by (*) (0).

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