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Traders and Declaring Agents

Dear Sir/Madam

REMINDER: CUSTOMS CIRCULAR NO: 08/2024 ON COMBATING TRADE-BASED MONEY LAUNDERING

This notice reminds you on the reporting obligations under the Singapore's laws and the importance of adopting internal controls and procedures to prevent trade-based money laundering (TBML).

2 Under Section 45 of the Corruption, Drug Trafficking and Other Serious Crimes (Confiscation of Benefits) Act 1992, all traders, including freight forwarders and declaring agents, have the legal obligation to file a Suspicious Transaction Report (STR) to the Suspicious Transaction Reporting Office (STRO) of the Commercial Affairs Department (CAD) if they know or have reasonable grounds to suspect that any property is connected to criminal activity, in the course of their trade, profession, business or employment. You may refer to **Annex A** of Circular 08/2024 for a list of common indicators of suspicious activities.

3 To submit STRs to STRO, you may do so via the STRO Online Notices and Reporting Platform (SONAR): <https://www.police.gov.sg/sonar>. More details on STR filing can be found on STRO's website: <https://www.police.gov.sg/Advisories/Crime/Commercial-Crimes/Suspicious-Transaction-Reporting-Office>.

4 If you decide to file a STR on an activity identified as a result of, or described in the Circular No. 08/2024, please include the reference code "SC-TBML-2024" in the 'Reporting Institution' tab, 'Notice Reference Number' field in the STR form, to facilitate authorities' analysis.

5 For more information on combatting TBML, please refer to Circular No. 08/2024 via <https://www.customs.gov.sg/> > News & Media > Circulars > Circular No: 08/2024.

Yours faithfully

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