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To: All Traders and Declaring Agents

**CHEMICAL WEAPONS (PROHIBITION) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS
2011**

We wish to inform you that the *Chemical Weapons (Prohibition) (Amendment) Regulations 2011* is gazetted and will take effect on 1 November 2011. The Regulations are updated to keep pace with developments in the Chemical Weapons Convention. The amended Regulations prescribe transfer requirements on Schedule 2 and Schedule 3 chemicals, changes in the documents for submission of annual declarations, and in the compoundable offences.

License Exemptions on Certain Exports

2 With the amendments, holders of a licence to export a Schedule 3 chemical to a country that is not a party to the Convention would **not** need to submit an end-user certificate before the export, if the chemical forms no more than 30% by weight of a mixture, or the mixture is or is part of goods identified as consumer goods and packaged for retail sale for personal use, or packaged for individual use.

3 Traders who are involved in the import or export of chemical mixtures containing 30% or less by weight of a Schedule 2B or Schedule 3 chemical to a country that is a party to the Convention are **not** required to apply for a NA(CWC) licence.

Restrictions on Imports from Countries not Party to the Convention

4 Holders of a licence to import a Schedule 2 chemical from a country that is not a party to the Convention shall **not** do so unless the chemical, if it is a Schedule 2A chemical, forms no more than 1% by weight of a mixture, and if it is a Schedule 2B chemical, forms no more than 10% by weight of a mixture, or the mixture is or is part of goods identified as consumer goods and packaged for retail sale for personal use, or packaged for individual use.

Document Names and Numbers

5 The documents for use in the submission of Annual Declarations of Past and Anticipated Activities are as prescribed in the Regulations.

Change in Compoundable Offences

6 An offence under Section 25 of the Chemical Weapons (Prohibition) Act - “Obstruction, etc., of national or international inspector” is no longer compoundable.

7 For further enquiries and clarifications, please email us at customs_nacwc@customs.gov.sg.

Yours sincerely



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