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To: All Traders and Declaring Agents

PROHIBITION OF IMPORTS, EXPORTS, TRANSHIPMENTS AND GOODS IN TRANSIT FROM/TO LIBYA

We wish to inform you that in accordance with the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) Resolutions 1970 (2011) and 1973 (2011), the importation from Libya into Singapore, and the exportation from, transhipment and bringing in transit through Singapore to Libya of the following items is prohibited under the Regulation 6(2)(d) of the Regulation of Imports and Exports Regulations (RIER):

- (a) The imports of any arms or related matériel.
- (b) The exports, transhipments and goods in transit of any arms or related matériel, including weapons; ammunition; military vehicles; military equipment; and paramilitary equipment, and spare parts of any of the items, but excluding
 - (i) Non-lethal military equipment intended solely for humanitarian or protective use and the supply of which has been approved in advance by the committee established under paragraph 24 of the UNSC Resolution 1970 (2011); and
 - (ii) Protective clothing (including flak jackets and military helmets) temporarily exported to Libya by UN personnel, representatives of the media and humanitarian and development workers and associated personnel, for their personal use only.

2 Traders are advised to refer to the webpage of the UNSC Sanctions Committees for updates on UNSC Resolutions made under Chapter VII of the UN Charter at: <u>http://www.un.org/sc/committees/index.shtml</u>. Under Regulation 6(1)(b) of the RIER, importation into, exportation from, transhipment in or transit through Singapore of any goods which will contravene the decisions of the UNSC in resolutions made under Chapter VII of the UN Charter are prohibited.

Clarification on TradeNet[®] Permit Application Requirements

In addition to complying with the general permit requirements for importation into Singapore, and exportation from, transhipment and bringing in transit of goods through Singapore, traders who intend to export, tranship or bring in transit goods which are **permitted under the exceptions stated in the UNSC Resolutions on Libya** as outlined in sub-paragraphs 1(b)(i) and (ii), are required to submit the TradeNet[®] permit applications or declarations and obtain necessary approval <u>before</u> proceeding with the shipments.

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4 For export and transhipment of **strategic goods and technology** to Libya, traders are required to submit a TradeNet[®] strategic goods Tier 1 permit application at least 5 working days before the intended date of shipment from Singapore.

Penalties

5 Any person who contravenes any of the prohibitions shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable –

- (a) on the first conviction to a fine not exceeding \$100,000 or 3 times the value of the goods whichever is the greater, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years or to both; and
- (b) on the second and subsequent conviction to a fine not exceeding \$200,000 or 4 times the value of the goods, whichever is the greater, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 years or to both.

6 For further enquiries or clarifications, please email us at <u>customs_documentation@customs.gov.sg</u>.

Yours sincerely

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