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To: All Traders, Freight Forwarders, Cargo Agents and Carriers

AMENDMENTS TO THE REGULATION OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS REGULATION

Singapore Police Force is the competent authority for the control of security sensitive items under the Regulation of Imports and Exports Regulations (RIER). As part of our continuous review on control of the import, export and transhipment of the security sensitive items, Police have made amendments to the RIER. The <u>Regulation of Imports and Exports (Amendment) Regulations 2015</u> will come into operation with effect from <u>7 September 2015</u>.

2.	The details of the amendments are as follows:
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Amendment of Part C of First Schedule for Controlled Imports, Controlled Exports and Controlled Transhipments					
Existing	Amendment	Remarks			
Helmets, Steel	Helmets intended as protection in military combat	Includes Kevlar helmets and other bulletproof helmets			
Toy guns, including pistols and revolvers	Toy or replica guns	Includes all types of toy or replica guns such as lighter guns, prop guns			
NA	Toy or replica explosives, grenades, ammunitions or improvised explosive devices (IED)	Includes all types of toy or replica explosives such as grenade shaped lighters, mock up IED, toy dynamite clock			

Amendment of Second Schedule for Prohibited Imports					
Existing	Amendment	Remarks			
Cigarette lighter in the shape of a pistol or revolver.	Removed	Gun shaped lighters are Controlled under Part C of First Schedule under Toy or Replica Guns			
Fire-crackers.	Removed	Controlled under the Arms & Explosives Act, Chapter 13 and Dangerous Fireworks Act, Chapter 72			

3. Toy or replica explosives, grenades, ammunitions or improvised explosive devices (IED) are new additions to Part C of the First Schedule for Controlled Imports, Controlled Exports and Controlled Transhipment. Traders may use Harmonised System Code: <u>95030099</u> and Product Code: <u>ANECON023</u> when making declarations for these products in TradeNet.

4. Anyone importing, exporting or carrying out transhipment of items regulated under the Regulation of Imports and Exports (Amendment) Regulations 2015, which Competent Authority is the Singapore Police Force, must seek approval from Police Licensing & Regulatory Department (PLRD). The trader or his appointed freight forwarder shall submit permit applications for import, export and transhipments online via TradeNet® for approval by PLRD.

5. Under the Regulation of Imports and Exports (Amendment) Regulations 2015, it is an offence to import, export or carry out transhipment of controlled items without an approval. Any person who is guilty of an offence under these Regulations shall be liable on conviction to maximum fines ranging from \$100,000 to \$200,000 or 3 to 4 times the value of the goods in respect of which the offence was committed, whichever is the greater, or to maximum imprisonment terms ranging 2-3 years or both.

6. For more information on the control of Arms, Explosives, Explosive Precursors and items regulated under the Regulation of Imports and Exports (Amendment) Regulations 2015, please visit PLRD's web-site at <u>http://www.police.gov.sg/licence/frameset_AE.html</u>. For further enquiries, you may contact us at 6835 0000 or email to <u>spf_licensing@spf.gov.sg</u>.

Yours faithfully,

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