MINISTRY OF FINANCE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DIVISION

NOTICE TO IMPORTERS/EXPORTERS

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NOTIFICATION RE: CHANGING THE WAY WE WORK TO A TECHNOLOGY-DRIVEN WORKPLACE [#2]

On August 09, 2011 the Self Assessment Regime commenced at the Information Technology Unit. This identified criteria for compliance verification and processing of e-C82 declarations. Declarants satisfactorily completing this phase were moved to full Self Assessment.

Self Assessment places the responsibility on the Declarant to truthfully and accurately complete the Goods Declaration on the **Customs Border Control System (CBCS),** and also to scan and attach all supporting documents electronically.

The system's Selectivity Module determines the examination procedure to applied to Goods Declarations by allocating a control "channel" either for 'direct release' (**green**), 'documentary check' (**yellow**), physical examination of the goods (**red**) or for post-audit control (**blue**).

The 'documentary check' or yellow channel includes the following referrals which can occur either before or after an Assessment Notice is generated on the CBCS-:

- Valuations
- Other Services
- C84 Declarations
- Other Government Agencies [OGA's]

Self Assessed e-C82's selected for documentary check are automatic referrals and will therefore be dealt with expeditiously by the Collector, Supervisor or Query Officers at the respective Customs Stations.

Wherever the CBCS is deployed, Screening Officers will now validate documents presented against the electronic records on the System.

Examining Officers will now initial <u>ALL</u> documents presented for examinations performed and clear <u>ALL</u> relevant declarations on the CBCS.

Shipping Officers will now initial <u>all</u> documents presented for shipment of goods and <u>clear</u> Ex-Warehouse, Transshipment and Temporary Exportation declarations on the CBCS.

Clearing a declaration is the electronic equivalent of recording an examination and releasing or certifying the shipment of goods in the 'hard copy' environment.

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