MINISTRY OF FINANCE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DIVISION

NOTICE TO IMPORTERS No. 2 of 2011

THE USE OF A DIGITIZED SIGNATURE OF THE COMPTROLLER OF CUSTOMS & EXCISE ON CUSTOMS DOCUMENTS

All Importers are hereby advised that the Customs and Excise Division has initiated the process of effecting a seamless transition from ASYCUDA Version 2.7 to ASYCUDA World.

The Port of Spain Entry Processing Unit successfully migrated on December 1st, 2010 followed by the Trinidad and Tobago Manufacturers Association (TTMA) Direct Trader Input (DTI) operations on January 1st 2011. Work is currently in progress at Pt Lisas and San Fernando.

As part of the reengineered processes in the Division, effective February 1st 2011 <u>all</u> Assessment Notices generated by the Customs Border Control System will bear the digitized signature of the person appointed to the Office of Comptroller of Customs & Excise at the time said Assessment Notice is generated.

This model is consistent with that used by the Inland Revenue Division for communicating with taxpayers.

Comptroller of Customs & Excise

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