

NOTICE TO FREIGHT FORWARDING AGENTS

FREIGHT FORWARDING AGENTS ARE HEREBY INFORMED THAT REGULATIONS WITH RESPECT TO SECTION 119A OF THE CUSTOMS ACT HAVE BEEN SENT FOR GAZETTING AND ARE BEING IMPLEMENTED ADMINISTRATIVELY AS FROM 1 DECEMBER 2016: PLEASE FIND BELOW AMENDMENTS MADE TO REGULATIONS 19(2) & (6) OF THE CUSTOMS REGULATIONS 1989 SENT FOR GAZETTING:

A FREIGHT FORWARDING AGENT TO WHOM THE CONTAINER IS CONSIGNED SHALL SUBMIT THE FULL AND COMPLETE HOUSE MANIFEST –

- (I) PRIOR TO AN APPLICATION FOR REMOVAL OF A CONTAINER FROM ITS LANDING PLACE TO HIS PREMISES; AND
- (II) WITHIN 3 HOURS FROM THE SUBMISSION OF INWARD MANIFEST UNDER SECTION 49(1)(A), (B) OR (1A) OF THE CUSTOMS ACT, AS THE CASE MAY BE.

A FREIGHT FORWARDING AGENT SHALL ALSO:

- (i) HAVE HIS OWN WAREHOUSING FACILITIES OR BE AUTHORISED BY THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL TO UNSTUFF THE GOODS IN AN APPROVED WAREHOUSE;
- (ii) SUBMIT THE HOUSE MANIFEST FOR GOODS CONSIGNED TO HIM AS AGENT;
- (iii) MAKE ENTRY SOLELY IN RESPECT OF GOODS UNSTUFFED ON HIS ACCOUNT;
- (iv) HIRE THE SERVICES OF A CUSTOMS HOUSE BROKER OR EMPLOY A CUSTOMS AGENT FOR MAKING ENTRY IN RESPECT OF GOODS UNSTUFFED AT HIS PREMISES;

YOU ARE KINDLY REQUESTED TO COMPLY WITH THE ABOVE REGULATIONS.

MRA CUSTOMS

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