

## **NOTICE TO ECONOMIC OPERATORS**

## AMENDMENTS TO THE VAT ACT AS PER THE FINANCE (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 2020

ECONOMIC OPERATORS ARE HEREBY INFORMED THAT SECTION 70 OF **THE FINANCE** (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 2020 (ACT NO. 7 OF 2020) HAS AMENDED THE VALUE ADDED TAX ACT, INTER ALIA, AS FOLLOWS –

- (1) IN THE FIRST SCHEDULE (VAT EXEMPT) BY DELETING ITEMS 7(c), 10 AND 11;
- (2) IN THE FIFTH SCHEDULE (VAT AT ZERO RATE), IN ITEM 2, BY INSERTING, AFTER SUB-ITEM (e), THE FOLLOWING NEW SUB-ITEMS (ea) AND (eb) -
  - (ea) PRIMARY AGRICULTURAL AND HORTICULTURAL PRODUCE (INCLUDING TOMATOES, POTATOES, ONIONS AND OTHER VEGETABLES, FRUITS, COFFEE, COCOA BEANS AND NUTS) WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN PROCESSED, EXCEPT FOR REAPING, THRESHING, HUSKING, CRUSHING, WINNOWING, TRIMMING, DRYING AND PACKAGING, TO PUT THEM INTO MARKETABLE CONDITION;
  - (eb) LIVE ANIMALS OF A KIND GENERALLY USED AS, OR YIELDING OR PRODUCING, FOOD FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION, OTHER THAN LIVE POULTRY;

FOR THE PROPER IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS MEASURE THE INTEGRATED TARIFF HAS BEEN AMENDED AS PER **ANNEX 1** AS FOLLOWS:

- (i) BY DELETING THE H.S CODES AND THEIR CORRESPONDING ENTRIES SPECIFIED IN PART A; AND
- (ii) INSERTING, IN THE APPROPRIATE NUMERICAL ORDER, THE HS CODES AND THEIR CORRESPONDING ENTRIES SPECIFIED IN PART B.

THIS MEASURE SHALL COME INTO OPERATION ON 1st OCTOBER 2020.

YOU ARE KINDLY ADVISED TO LIAISE WITH MNS FOR UPDATE OF YOUR FRONT END SYSTEM.

MRA CUSTOMS 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2020