



## MEMORANDUM

**FOR: ALL DEPUTY COMMISSIONERS  
ALL DISTRICT AND SUB-PORT COLLECTORS  
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED**

**FROM: REY LEONARDO B. GUERRERO**  
Commissioner of Customs



BOC-02-02062

**SUBJECT: CLARIFICATION ON CUSTOMS MEMORANDUM ORDER (CMO)  
NO. 10-2020, SUMMARY ABANDONMENT PROCEEDINGS  
DURING ENHANCED COMMUNITY QUARANTINE**

**DATE: 13 May 2020**

This is to clarify that the periods contemplated under CMO 10-2020 implementing Joint Administrative Order (JAO) No. 20-01, are to be interpreted as working days and not calendar days. This Office would like to emphasize that the Notice of Abandonment is only issued if the importer fails to comply with the period specified under the JAO. Moreover, the remedy of requesting for the lifting of abandonment is available within 24 hours upon receipt of the notice.

Accordingly, there are no remarkable changes on abandonment procedure except for the shortened periods, which is necessary to address the issue of port congestion during Enhanced Community Quarantine.

For your information and guidance.