



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
BUREAU OF CUSTOMS

CUSTOMS MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

NO. 64-2015

TO : **All Deputy Commissioners
All District/Port Collectors
Service/Division/Section Chiefs
All Others Concerned**

DATE : **5 June 2015**

SUBJECT : **Definitive Safeguard Measure on Imported Newsprint from
Various Countries classified under AHTN Codes 4801.0010
and 4801.0090**

Attached is the letter dated 05 May 2015 of Secretary Gregorio L. Domingo, Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), forwarding to this Bureau a copy of the ORDER issued by the DTI imposing a definitive safeguard measure on imported newsprint (AHTN Codes 4801.0010 and 4801.0090) from various countries for a period of three (3) years, pursuant to Section 5 of Republic Act No. (RA) 8800, otherwise known as the "*Safeguard Measures Act*" and its Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR).

The dispositive portion of the Order reads as follows:

1. A definitive safeguard duty effective for three years shall be imposed on newsprint imported from various countries. The duty shall be applied to newsprint classified under AHTN Codes 4801.0010 and 4801.0090.
2. The amount of the safeguard duty to be imposed for the first year shall be P980.00/MT (May 2015 to April 2016), for the second year – P800.00/MT (May 2016 to April 2017), and for the third year – P640.00/MT (May 2017 to April 2018).
3. The safeguard measure shall be reviewed yearly with a view to further liberalizing the measure to prod the domestic industry to adjust to import competition.
4. Imported newsprint which will be used for the printing of textbooks for elementary and secondary schools to be procured by accredited printers under the DepED projects are exempt from the definitive general safeguard measure. To avail of exemption, importers shall present to the Bureau of

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MEMORANDUM

TO :
The District Collector, Port of Batangas
The District Collector, Port of Davao
The District Collector, Port of Subic
The District Collector, Port of Limay

FROM : Silverio F. Montalbo
Chief-of-Staff

SUBJECT : Submission of Hard Copies of Inward Foreign
Manifests and Load Port Survey Report on Oil
Importations

DATE : 08 June 2015

With reference to the above mentioned subject, you are hereby directed to furnish this Office the hard copies of Inward Foreign Manifests and Load Port Survey Reports on ALL importations of OIL that arrived within your respective ports from January 1 to June 5, 2015. Please submit the requested hard copies within five (5) working days from receipt hereof.

In connection thereto, you are further instructed to submit to this Office on a weekly basis (every Monday), ALL Inward Foreign Manifests and Load Port Survey Reports thereafter.

For strict and immediate compliance.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Silverio F. Montalbo".

SILVERIO F. MONTALBO
Office of the Commissioner