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DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
BUREAU OF CUSTOMS
MANILA 1099

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CUSTOMS MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR
NO. 24 - 2016

TO: All Deputy Commissioners
All Directors and Division Chiefs
All District / Port Collectors
And Others Concerned

SUBJECT: PNP Temporary Suspension of Regulation of Controlled Chemicals

Attached is the letter of Director Elmer R. Soria, Civil Security Group, Philippine National Police (PNP), informing this Bureau on the extension of temporary suspension of regulation of controlled chemicals **from December 9, 2015 to April 30, 2016** subject to the following conditions:

- a. No license or permit requirement from the PNP;
- b. No escorting requirement from the PNP;
- c. No reportorial requirement from the PNP;
- d. No confiscation of stock by the PNP;
- e. No collection of any amount arising from, in association with or in relation to, escorting services; and
- f. The period of temporary suspension of regulation or "moratorium" of "commonly used controlled chemicals" shall be lifted on **April 30, 2016** or until such time that the DILG shall have issued an Implementing Rules and Regulations governing controlled chemicals.

This temporary suspension of regulation does not cover nitrates, chlorates, nitric acid, explosives and explosive accessories.

For your information and guidance.

Please confirm the dissemination of this circular throughout your offices within fifteen (15) days from receipt hereof.


ALBERTO D. LINA
Commissioner



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HON. BERT LINA
Commissioner
Bureau of Customs
Port Area, Manila

Dear **COMM. LINA**:

Please be informed that **POLICE DIRECTOR GENERAL RICARDO C MARQUEZ**, the Chief, PNP, by virtue of the powers vested in him under Section 24f of R.A. No. 6975 in relation to P.D. 1866, as amended by PD 1878-A, subject to the approval of the SILG, **has approved the extension of self-imposed moratorium** within which to formulate the IRR of RA No. 9516 governing controlled chemicals from **December 9, 2015 until April 30, 2016. This temporary suspension of regulation does not cover nitrates, chlorates, nitric acid, explosives and explosives accessories.**


The temporary suspension of regulation or "moratorium" on the aforementioned "commonly used controlled chemicals" shall be subject to the following qualifications, conditions and limitations:

- a. No license or permit requirement from the PNP;
- b. No escorting requirement from the PNP;
- c. No reportorial requirement from the PNP;
- d. No confiscation of stock by the PNP;
- e. No collection of any amount arising from, in association with or in relation to, escorting services; and
- f. The period of temporary suspension of regulation or "moratorium" of "commonly used controlled chemicals" shall be lifted on **April 30, 2016** or until such time that the DILG shall have issued an Implementing Rules and Regulations governing controlled chemicals. It is further recommended that the Implementing Rules and Regulations governing the same be issued and signed by the Secretary, Department of the Interior and Local Government.

Correspondingly, there shall be a temporary suspension of implementation of all PNP policies, rules and regulations governing controlled chemicals except for explosives, explosives accessories, nitrates, chlorates and nitric acid for the above-stated period.

Nonetheless, we do hope to nurture a strong partnership with BOC as we collectively work towards a fair and rationalized regulation of controlled chemicals in the higher interest of peace and national security and a flourishing private enterprise that genuinely supports and helps fuel our national economy.

Sincerely yours,


ELMER R SORIA
Police Director
Director, Civil Security Group