



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
BUREAU OF CUSTOMS
MANILA

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CUSTOMS MEMORANDUM ORDER
NO 15-95

SUBJECT: Additional Instructions to CMO's 4-94, 8-93 & 104-92 (HOLD & ALERT SYSTEM)

CMO 4-94 clarified the procedure that the action officer or officer-on-case must follow after witnessing the examination of an alerted shipment. It says-

"The action officer... can immediately clear the shipment for continued processing if he find no violations..."

"If the action officer... find discrepancies in the shipment, he should submit a report to his supervisor stating such discrepancies & request conversion of the alert order to a hold order."

It has been brought to my attention that some action officer/officer-on-case take their time either in immediately clearing the shipment or getting a conversion of the ALERT to a HOLD.

Henceforth, action officers/officers -on-case are given only 24-hours from time of completion of examination to Clear/Hold a shipment under alert. Assigned COO3's are hereby directed to act unilaterally on the shipment should the required action of the officer on case/action officer not be taken within the 24-hour period.

All orders inconsistent herewith are deemed revoke accordingly.

For Strict compliance.


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Commissioner