



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
BUREAU OF CUSTOMS
MANILA

January 23, 1992

CUSTOMS MEMORANDUM ORDER
NO. 17-92

SUBJECT: Amendment to CMO No. 149-88 (Requiring All Importers/Consignees to Register with the Bureau of Customs).

TO : All Directors of Services
District Collector of Customs
Chiefs of Division and Others Concerned

I. OBJECTIVES

1. To expedite transactions with the Bureau of Customs and to promote trade facilitation ; and
2. To avoid waste of time, money and energy.

II. AMENDMENTS

Paragraph 3, Section III-General Provisions is hereby amended as follows:

3. An importer/consignee shall be deemed registered with the Bureau of Customs upon approval of the application which shall remain valid while the importer/consignee is dealing with the Bureau of Customs unless changes are made in the

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corporate structure or ownership of the company or entity in which case such change shall likewise be registered as required; Provided that the Bureau reserves the right to determine the authenticity of the submitted documents and to withdraw the registration if upon verification the said documents are not authentic or genuine.

III. IMPLEMENTATION


1. Registration with the Bureau of Customs thru the CIIS will be made only once. If an importer has already registered then that registration will be valid while *he is dealing with* the Bureau unless there are changes in the corporate structure of the company.
2. New Registrants will have to comply with all the requirements as per CMO 149-88.

IV. REPEALING CLAUSE

All rules, regulations and orders whose provisions are in conflict with this order are deemed repealed or modified accordingly.

V. EFFECTIVITY

This order shall take effect immediately.


TOMAS V. APACIBLE
Commissioner



Republic of the Philippines
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
BUREAU OF CUSTOMS
Office of the Commissioner

28 December 1988

CUSTOMS MEMORANDUM ORDER
NO. 149-88

SUBJECT: Requiring All Importers/Consignees
to Register with the Bureau of Customs

I. OBJECTIVES

1. To expedite transactions with the Bureau of Customs and provide speedy assistance to the transacting public in connection with said transactions;
2. To establish a data bank of importers/consignees regularly engaged in the business of importation; and
3. To protect the interests of the Government.

II. COVERAGE

1. Importers/consignees regularly engaged in the business of importing goods in commercial quantities shall be covered by this Order; Provided that, importation shall be deemed regular when it is done at least twice a year by the same importer/consignee.
2. Importers/consignees duly accredited and/or allowed to operate under the Express Processing in the Release of Shipments (EPRS) pursuant to CMO No. 45-88 and its implementing rules and regulations shall not be covered by this order.

III. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. Importers/consignees shall be required to file an application per prescribed form shown in ANNEX "A" together with the following documents:
 - 1.1 The VAT Registration Certificate issued by the Bureau of Internal Revenue duly certified; and
 - 1.2 Certified copy of the Certificate of Registration issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission or the Bureau of Domestic Trade, as the case may be.
2. Import entries filed by importers/consignees who are not registered in accordance with this Order shall not be accepted and shall be referred to the Customs Intelligence and Investigation Service (CIIS) for record purposes and clearance prior to allowing the filing of the same; Provided that, such referral may not be made upon submission

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within five (5) days by the importer/consignee of an undertaking executed under oath to submit the required application together with the required documents for registration purposes; and Provided that, in the latter case the processing of the entry shall be held in abeyance until the registration shall have been effected.

The referral for recording and prior clearance purposes shall be implemented in the outports by the District or Sub-Port Collector concerned.

3. An importer/consignee shall be deemed registered with the Bureau of Customs upon approval of the application effective for a period of one (1) year, renewable yearly upon application; Provided that, the Bureau reserves the right to verify the authenticity, genuineness and truthfulness of the submitted documents and statements therein and to withdraw the registration upon verification that the same be not authentic or genuine or by reason of any misrepresentation/untruthful statements or of violation of Customs laws, rules and regulations.

IV. OPERATIONAL PROVISIONS

1. Application forms requiring, among others, the indication of the applicant's complete address, exact location of bodega or warehouse and current executive officers, shall be secured from the administrative service, Office of the Commissioner of Customs, or in the outports from the District or Sub-Port Collector concerned.
2. The duly accomplished application form having thereto attached a recently taken 2" x 2" photograph of the applicant-proprietor or President/General Manager of applicant-firm, together with the required documents shall be filed with the Legal Service, Office of the Commissioner of Customs, or in the outports with the District or Sub-Port Collector concerned.

All applications filed in the outports shall be submitted by/thru the District Collector to the Office of the Commissioner of Customs (ATTN.: The Legal Service).

3. The Legal Service shall be responsible for the distribution of copies of approved applications to the Divisions/Units concerned.

The District Collector's copy shall be filed with the

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Entry Processing Division or equivalent unit which shall maintain a Logbook for recording thereof and to be referred to for verification purposes whenever an import entry is filed.

4. For proper implementation of this Order, all Service and Division Chiefs shall designate the personnel/units to be assigned to take charge of the functions and duties relative to this Order.

V. EFFECTIVITY

This Order shall take effect thirty (30) days from date hereof.

Salvador M. Mison
SALVADOR M. MISON
Commissioner

ANNEX "A"

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION

CAO-149-88

_____ Date

The Honorable Commissioner
of Customs
Bureau of Customs
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ATTENTION: The Legal Service

S i r:

Pursuant to CAO No. _____, the undersigned _____ (Name of Company/Applicant) respectfully applies for registration with the Bureau of Customs, and hereby submit the following documents:

- () Certified copy of the Certificate of Registration issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission, or
- () Certified copy of the Certificate of Registration issued by the Bureau of Domestic Trade; and
- () Certified copy of the VAT Registration Certificate issued by the Bureau of Internal Revenue.

Indicated hereunder are:

- a. The company/applicant complete address: _____ Tel. Nos. _____
- b. The exact location of the company/applicant's bodega/warehouse: _____
- c. The company/applicant's current executive Officers:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

(Use separate sheet as necessary)

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PROPRIETOR OR
PRESIDENT/GENERAL
MANAGER

Very truly yours,
COMPANY/APPLICANT NAME
TAN _____
By: _____
(Signature over printed name)
Position _____