

Republic of the Philippines Department of Finance BUREAU OF CUSTOMS

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CUSTOMS MEMORANDUM ORDER

NO: 17-2007

SUBJECT: CLARIFICATION ON THE IMPOSITION OF THE MANDATORY CONTAINER SECURITY FEE (CSF) ON FOREIGN TRANSSHIPMENTS AS IMPLEMENTED BY CAO 4-2007

For proper guidance in the imposition of Container Security Fee (CSF) pursuant to Executive Order No. 592, series of 2007, as implemented by CAO 4-2007, foreign transshipments, although landed in the Philippines but are intended to be exported to foreign destinations, shall not be included in the imposition of CSF.

Section 2 of CAO 4-2007 provides that the imposition of CSF only covers all imported containerized shipments, including those for domestic transshipments, landed or stored in piers, container yards, warehouses and other areas under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Customs. In view of this, foreign transshipments, such as wines, cigarettes and other commodities, not being classified as importation nor domestic transshipment, are therefore excluded therefrom and shall be governed by existing customs rules and regulations.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

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Commissioner

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