



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE  
**BUREAU OF CUSTOMS**  
MANILA 1099

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**CUSTOMS MEMORANDUM ORDER**

NO. 35-2004

**TO :** District Collectors;  
Chiefs; Division Heads; Vehicle Importation Compliance  
Monitoring Unit; and All Others Concerned

**SUBJECT:** CREATION OF THE ANTI-SMUGGLING UNIT FOR  
MOTOR VEHICLES (AS-U-MOVE) PURSUANT TO  
EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 363, DEFINING ITS  
POWERS AND FUNCTIONS.

**1. OBJECTIVES:**

- 1.1. To prepare and implement effective measures to prevent and suppress smuggling of motor vehicles.
- 1.2. To combat smuggling of motor vehicles outside the Customs area pursuant to E.O. No. 363.
- 1.3. To pursue smuggled motor vehicles in places considered as hot zones, including but not limited to, Clark, Subic, Batangas, Cebu, Davao.

**2. SCOPE AND COVERAGE:**

- 2.1. This Order shall cover all smuggled motor vehicles.

**3. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS:**

- 3.1. There is hereby created an Anti-Smuggling Unit for Motor Vehicles (AS-U-MOVE) which shall be attached to the Office of the Commissioner;

3.2. The AS-U-MOVE shall have the following powers and functions, to wit:

- 3.2.1. Prepare and implement an effective campaign against smuggling of motor vehicles;
- 3.2.2. Coordinate with VICMU-IEG and the Land Transportation Office in identifying imported motor vehicles released from Customs territory which have not passed or complied with the requirement of the TCCP and other laws.
- 3.2.3. Enlist the assistance of other law enforcement agencies, i.e., Land Transportation Office (LTO), Traffic Management Group – Philippine National Police (TMG-PNP), Metro Manila Development Authority (MMDA), etc. in going after smuggled motor vehicles;
- 3.2.4. Recommend the issuance and effect the service of Warrant/s of Seizure and Detention against smuggled motor vehicles, or apply for judicial warrant when necessary;
- 3.2.5. Effect seizure and recommend forfeiture of motor vehicles pursuant to Section 2536 of the TCCP;
- 3.2.6. Shall organize AS-U-MOVE Sub-units, upon approval of the Commissioner, in areas identified as hot zones and in the outports whenever warranted;
- 3.2.7. Issue such other internal guidelines that are necessary to effectively enforce the objectives of this Order; and
- 3.2.8. Perform such other functions as may be directed by the Commissioner.

**4. REPEALING CLAUSE:**

All rules, regulations, orders and other issuances inconsistent herewith are hereby deemed repealed, superseded or modified accordingly.

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**5. EFFECTIVITY:**

This Order shall take effect immediately.

  
**GEORGE M. JEREOS**  
Commissioner