



Republic of the Philippines
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
BUREAU OF CUSTOMS

October 13, 2015

Customs Memorandum Circular No. 147-2015

TO : **All Directors**
All District Collectors/Port Collectors
All Chiefs Formal Entry Division/Unit
All Chiefs Export Division/Unit
Chief, Export Coordination Division
All other concerned

FROM : **ALBERTO D. LINA**
Commissioner

SUBJECT: **PARTICIPATION OF VIET NAM IN THE SECOND PILOT PROJECT
FOR THE ASEAN SELF-CERTIFICATION SYSTEM**

Please be informed that Viet Nam officially notified the ASEAN Secretariat (Annex **A**) of its issuance of Circular No. 28/2015/TT-BCT on the implementation of the Second Pilot Project for the ASEAN Self-Certification System following its submission of Instrument of Accession (Annex **B**) and issuance of the ASEAN Secretariat of Note Verbale (Annex **C**). Viet Nam is now considered as an additional Member State that has agreed to participate in the Second Pilot Project for the Association of Southeast Asian Nations on the Second Pilot Project for the Implementation of a Regional Self-Certification System.

Thus, as of October 05, 2015, the following are the Participating Member States that have agreed to participate in the Second Pilot Project for the Implementation of a Regional Self-Certification System in accordance with Executive Order No. 142, Customs Administrative Order No. 06-2013, Customs Memorandum Order No. 02-2014 and other related orders and issuances:

- a) Philippines
- b) Indonesia

- c) Lao PDR
- d) Thailand and
- e) Viet Nam

For your information and guidance.


ALBERTO D. LINA

 Commissioner



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Dear ASEAN Secretariats and Participating members of 2nd Self-Certification Pilot Project (SCPP),

Vietnam would like to inform that Circular No 28/2015/TT-BCT dated 20th August 2015 regarding to implementation of 2nd SCPP has been issued. *This Circular will come into effect on 5th October 2015.*

Following Rule 2 in Annex of Operation Certification Procedure of the MOU, ASEAN Secretariat will circulate the database of all Certified Exporters in those Participating members in 2nd SCPP so that we would like to request ASEAN Secretariat to send us information of Certified Exporters of Laos, Indonesia, Philippines and Thailand.

For Vietnam, we have been selecting exporter to join in 2nd SCPP and will inform ASEAN Secretariat and other Participating members in term of our Certified Exporter as soon as we have.

Looking forward to receiving your information soon.

Best regards.

Anh.



MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM

ANNEX B

INSTRUMENT OF ACCEPTANCE

WHEREAS the Memorandum of Understanding among the Governments of the Participating Member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) on the Second Pilot Project for the Implementation of a Regional Self-Certification System (MOU) was done at Siem Reap on 29th August 2012;

WHEREAS Article 9 of the MOU stipulates that non-participating ASEAN Member States may accede to this MOU at any time subject to the agreement of the Participating Member States at the level of their representatives to the SEOM;

AND WHEREAS all the Participating Member States have welcomed Viet Nam to accede to this MOU;

NOW THEREFORE I, Pham Binh Minh, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam declare that the Government of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, having considered the above-mentioned MOU, accepts the same and undertakes faithfully to perform and carry out the stipulations therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed and sealed this Instrument of Acceptance.

DONE at Ha Noi, on 03 December 2014

PHAM BINH MINH
MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS



No.: 005/2015

The ASEAN Secretariat presents its compliments to the Permanent Missions of ASEAN Member States, and has the honour to refer to ASEC's Note Verbale (No. 002/2015) dated 6 January 2015 on the *Memorandum of Understanding among the Governments of the Participating Member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) on the Second Pilot Project for the Implementation of a Regional Self-Certification System (MOU)*, signed on 29 August 2012 in Siem Reap, Cambodia.

The ASEAN Secretariat would like to clarify that, pursuant to Article 10 (3) of the said MOU, it entered into force on 12 June 2013, when the Republic of Indonesia, the third Participating Member State, deposited its Instrument of Ratification.

The ASEAN Secretariat would like to further inform the Permanent Missions that pursuant to its Article 9, the MOU entered into force for the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam on 19 December 2014, the date of receipt of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam's Instrument of Acceptance by the ASEAN Secretariat.

The ASEAN Secretariat avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Missions of ASEAN Member States the assurances of its highest consideration.

Jakarta, 13 January 2015



Permanent Missions of ASEAN Member States
Jakarta



VIETNAM PERMANENT MISSION TO ASEAN

Jakarta, 11 December 2014

No.: 54/PDVN/2014

The Vietnam Permanent Mission to ASEAN presents its compliments to H.E. Le Luong Minh, Secretary-General of ASEAN, and has the honor to inform the latter that the Government of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam has issued the Instrument of Acceptance for the Memorandum of Understanding among the Governments of the Participating Member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) on the Second Pilot Project for the Implementation of a Regional Self-Certification System (MOU), done in Siem Reap on 29 August 2012.

Therefore, the Vietnam Permanent Mission to ASEAN expects to receive a notification from His Excellency on the deposit of the above-mentioned Instrument of Acceptance and the date of entry into force of the MOU for the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam.

The Vietnam Permanent Mission to ASEAN avails itself of this opportunity to renew to His Excellency the assurances of its highest consideration. /s/

The ASEAN Secretariat
Jakarta



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**OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
ASSESSMENT AND OPERATIONS COORDINATING GROUP**

1st Indorsement
15 October 2015

Respectfully referred to **Honorable Alberto D. Lina, Commissioner**, the herein draft Customs Memorandum Circular with a subject "**Participation of Viet Nam in the Second Pilot Project for the ASEAN Self-Certification System**".

For the Honorable Commissioner's consideration, if in accord.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Agaton Teodoro O. Uvero".

AGATON TEODORO O. UVERO
Deputy Commissioner, Assessment and
Operations Coordinating Group



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Bureau of Customs
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PORT OPERATIONS SERVICE

1st Indorsement
15 October 2015

Respectfully referred to **AGATON TEODORO O. UVERO**, Deputy Commissioner, Assessment and Operations Coordinating Group the herein draft Customs Memorandum Circular with a subject "**Participation of Viet Nam in the Second Pilot Project for the ASEAN Self-Certification System**".

For the Deputy Commissioner's consideration, if in accord.

for: Mallone 10/15/15
VER ANGELO N. SUMABAT
Acting Director
Port Operations Service

