CUSTOMS MEMORANDUM ORDER
NO. 22-2011

May 23, 2011

SUBJECT: REQUIRING ALL CONSOLIDATED SHIPMENTS UNDER INFORMAL ENTRY TO UNDERGO THE MANDATORY X-RAY INSPECTION AND/OR MANUAL EXAMINATION.

To prevent the use of the Informal Entry System as conduits for smuggling activities and avert the entry of contraband and anti-social goods, all consolidated shipments processed under informal entries are hereby required to be subjected to the container x-ray inspection system manned by the XIP-OCOM.

In cases where the processing of consolidated shipments are not yet covered by Customs e2m, the manual tagging of shipments for container x-ray inspection shall be allowed.

The selection of shipments for x-ray inspection shall be without prejudice to the random selection to be done by the Chief, Informal Entry Division or equivalent unit, of shipments for either manual examination or portable x-ray inspection of these boxes.

All District/Port Collectors are enjoined to coordinate with the XIP-OCOM and their respective arrastre contractors for the effective implementation of this Order and to ensure that no consolidated shipment is released without undergoing the mandatory x-ray container inspection and/or manual examination or portable x-ray inspection of boxes.

For strict compliance.

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