CUSTOMS MEMORANDUM ORDER
NO.  M-2010

To: The District/Port Collectors
Deputy Collectors for Assessment
NAIA, Ports of Clark, Subic, Davao, Iloilo,
Zamboanga International Airport, and
Laosag International Airport
Air Express Operators
Consolidators/Bulk Agents
All Others Concerns

Subject: Amendment to Customs Memorandum Order 46-98 dated
03 November, 1998 entitled "EXPEDITED CLEARANCE/RELEASE PROCEDURES AND GUIDELINES ON EXPRESS CONSIGNMENTS"

Pursuant to Section 608 of the Tariff and Customs Code of the Philippines, as amended, the following guidelines are hereby issued amending CMO No. 46-98 on the expedited clearance/release procedures and guidelines on express consignments in the different international airports nationwide under the control and supervision of the Bureau of Customs.

Sec 1. OBJECTIVES

1.1 To facilitate the clearance process of air consignments by providing for their consolidated processing.

1.2 To establish a simplified procedure in the processing of air consignments for their smooth and speedy clearance from the NAIA and other international airports in Customs territory nationwide.

1.3 To set uniform standards and operational guidelines in the consolidated processing of air consignments.

1.4 To ensure the collection of lawful government revenues and faithful compliance with laws and regulations being implemented and enforced by the Bureau of Customs.

Sec 2. SCOPE

This Order shall cover air consignments carried either as freight or as baggage by Air Express Operators (AEO) and airfreight forwarders/consolidators except for the following:
1.5 Prohibited/Regulated Imports under Philippine laws;
1.6 Dangerous Goods;
1.7 Animal, fish and fowl whether live or frozen;
1.8 Foodstuff and highly perishable articles;
1.9 Human remains or cadavers;
1.10 Coins, cash, paper money and other forms of negotiable instruments
equivalent to cash; and
1.11 Personal effects of Balikbayans, OFWs and other travelers.

Sec. 3. Section 6.2.2 of CMO 48-96 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"6.2.2 For low-value Non-Docs Consignment

6.2.2.1 Low-value dutiable non-docs consignments shall be
processed and cleared/released under consolidated
informal entry or individually in cases where certain
documentary requirements from other government
agencies are still being secured or for some valid reason.

6.2.2.2 An Informal Import Declaration and Entry Form (RC Form
177) shall be filed together with the copy of the House
Airway Bills (HAWBs) and corresponding commercial pro-
form invoice as supporting documents, provided that one
(1) consolidated informal entry shall cover not more than
ten (10) individual HAWBs with different consignees.

6.2.2.3 A consolidated informal entry covering ten (10) individual
HAWBs with different consignees shall not have an
aggregate FOB value of not more than US$200.00, provided
that an individual HAWB shall not have an FOB value of
more than US$20.00, provided further that each HAWB shall
not exceed 5 kg by weight,

6.2.2.4 The consolidated informal entry must specify each and
every HAWB it covers, the number of packages for every
HAWB, Description, Weight and Value.

6.2.2.5 Payment of the required fees shall be for every HAWB,
under the filed consolidated entry. For example, for a
consolidated entry covering 10 HAWBs, payment of the
prescribed fees shall be computed as follows:

Informal Entry Form (inc. CDS and IPP) = Php 555.00
Php 265 (CDS) x 9 HAWBs = Php 2,385.00
Php 250 (IPP) x 9 HAWBs = Php 2,250.00

Total fees for 10 HAWBs = Php 5,190.00

6.2.2.6 Consignments under this category shall still be
cleared/released based on selective documentary
examination but shall undergo regular x-ray scan prior to
release if found in order, without prejudice however to the
Bureau’s conducting a physical examination of the content
of any suspected package or at random prior to release."
6.2.2.7 Any consignment forming part of a consolidated informal entry found with a discrepancy shall be segregated and cleared/released after the appropriate action has been undertaken by Customs. Any misdeclaration or non declaration of a consignment forming part of a consolidated informal entry shall be subjected to the appropriate enforcement action by the Bureau.

Sec. 4 SEPARABILITY CLAUSE

Provisions of existing orders, rules and regulations not affected by this Order shall remain in force and effect.

Sec. 5 EFFECTIVITY

This Order shall take effect immediately.

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ANGELITO A. ALVAREZ
Commissioner
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