



January 15, 2018

CUSTOMS MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR
NO. 17-2018

To: All Deputy Commissioners
All Directors and Division Chiefs
All District/Port Collectors
And Others Concerned

Subject: Alleged Fake/Fabricated NFA Import Permits/IPs Validity
Period of only 15 Calendar Days

Attached is the letter dated January 03, 2018 of Lt. Col. Jason L.Y. Aquino (Ret.) PA, Administrator, National Food Authority (NFA) regarding the alleged fake/fabricated Import Permits issued in the name of the **Philippine International Trading Corporation (PITC)** being circulated with details as follows:

Import Permit	Quantity (MT)	Port of Discharge	Date Issued	Validity Date up to
MAVCSQ2017-01-819	5,000.00	Davao	August 24, 2017	August 24, 2018
MAVCSQ2017-01-820	7,000.00	Cebu	August 24, 2017	August 24, 2018
MAVCSQ2017-01-993	30,000.00	-	October 10, 2017	October 10, 2018

NFA informs that the **PITC** did not apply for an import allocation under the 2017 Minimum Access Volume (MAV) Rice Import Program. Thus, they did not issue any of the above mentioned Import Permits. Further, the arrivals of 2017 MAV shipments commenced only last December 20, 2017 up to February 28, 2018 for the Phase 1 arrival schedule, and June 1, 2018-August 31, 2018 for the Phase 2 arrival schedule.

Also, NFA informs that as per NFA Council-approved Guidelines, the Import Permits under the 2017 MAV Rice Importation Program has a validity of only fifteen (15) calendar days from the date of issuance and not one (1) year as specified in these spurious Import Permits.

For your information and guidance.

For record purposes, please confirm the dissemination of this circular throughout your offices within fifteen (15) days from receipt hereof.


ISIDRO S LAPEÑA, PhD, CSEE
Commissioner



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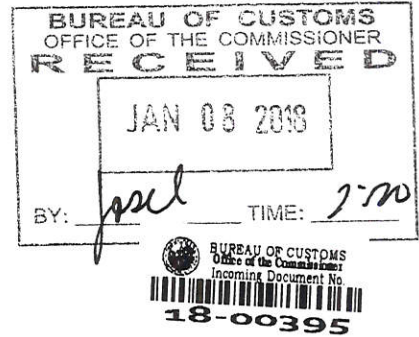
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Dear Commissioner Lapeña:

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Please be informed that the PITC did not apply for an import allocation under the 2017 Minimum Access Volume (MAV) Rice Importation Program. Thus, the National Food Authority (NFA) did not issue any of the above mentioned Import Permits. Further, the arrivals of 2017 MAV shipments commenced only last December 20, 2017 up to February 28, 2018 for the Phase 1 arrival schedule and June 01, 2018-August 31, 2018 for the Phase 2 arrival schedule.

Also, based on the NFA Council-approved Guidelines, the Import Permit under the 2017 MAV Rice Importation Program has a validity period of only fifteen (15) calendar days from the date of issuance and not for one (1) year as specified in these spurious Import Permits.

This is for your information and guidance.

Very truly yours,

JL
Lt. Col. JASON L. AQUINO (Ret) PA
Administrator