# Republic of the Philippines Department of Finance BUREAU OF CUSTOMS Manila

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CUSTOMS MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 2-9/

TO : All Collectors of Customs

SUBJECT : Strengthening Clearance Process of Manifest

## I. OBJECTIVE:

To install uniform procedures in clearing Inward Foreign Cargo Manifest.

## II. GENERAL PROVISION:

The District Collector of Customs shall create, under the Entry Processing Division, a Data Monitoring Unit (DMU) with the following functions:

- a) Gathering/capturing of data from the Inward Foreign Cargo Manifest; and
- b) Maintaining the computer system installed at the port.

For the NAIA Customhouse, these tasks shall be performed by the Data Monitoring Division (DMD).

#### III. OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES:

- a. The Inward Foreign Cargo Manifest of different shipping companies are submitted to Bay Service. At the NAIA Customhouse, the manifest, together with the airwaybills, of different airline companies/agents are submitted by the Aircraft Operations Division;
- b. Bay Service/Aircraft Operations Division, then submits the Inward Foreign Cargo Manifest and the airwaybills (in case of air cargo) to the DMU/DMD.

For consolidated shipments, the Consolidated Cargo Manifest together with the individual house airwaybills are submitted to the DMU/DMD.

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- c. From the Inward Foreign Cargo Manifest, Consolidated Cargo Manifest and/or Airwaybill, the DMU/DMD captures the following information:
  - Shipping/Flight Details

Name of Vessel/Airline Registry Number Voyage/Flight Number Date of Arrival Port of Origin Port of Destination Country of Destination

- Bill of Lading/Airwaybill Number

- Name of Consignee

- Number of Containers/Packages, including containers/packages number

- Description of Goods

- Gross Weight

- Declared Value (for NAIA)
- Unit of Currency (for NAIA)
- Chargeable Weight (for NAIA)
- Total Freight Charges (for NAIA)
- d. The Manifest Clerk will make use of the information gathered by the DMU/DMD to match or check the correctness of data in the entry document presented by the Importer/Customs Broker. if all the information matched, the Manifest Clerk will enter into the computer the following additional data, to wit:
  - Serial Number of Entry Document
  - Customs Broker
  - Permit to Deliver Imported Goods/Gatepass Serial Number
- e. The entry document is forwarded to the Document Processor for review;
- f. Thereafter, an entry number is assigned by the Perforating Clerk;
- g. Before the release of entry from the Entry Processing Division, the Release Clerk will likewise enter into the computer the following data:
  - Type of Entry
  - Perforated Entry Number
  - Date Filed
  - Invoice Value
  - Unit of Currency (for POM and MICP)
  - Total Freight Charges (for POM and MICP)

- Dutiable Value Declared
- Document Processor Code; and
- h. At the Wharfinger's Office/Bonded Warehouse Division, before effecting the release of cargo, the Manifest Clerk/Warehouseman will counter check into the computer the details of the shipments. If all the information are correct, the release date of the shipment will be entered into the computer.

# III. APPLICABILITY CLAUSE:

In Ports other than the Port of Manila, Manila International Container Port and Ninoy Aquino International Airport, this operational procedures shall be followed as closely as possible.

## IV. REPEALING CLAUSE:

Any regulation/order inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed and/or modified accordingly.

V. EFFECTIVITY:

This Order shall take effect

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