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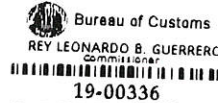
MEMORANDUM

TO : ALL DISTRICT AND SUB-PORT COLLECTORS
ALL CHIEFS, FORMAL ENTRY DIVISION
ALL CHIEFS, LAW DIVISION
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

FROM : REY LEONARDO B. GUERRERO
Commissioner

SUBJECT : STRICT IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROVISIONS ON
IMPLIED ABANDONMENT

DATE : 08 January 2019



In furtherance of the Bureau's efforts to address port congestion and to improve revenue collection, all concerned are hereby directed to strictly implement the provisions of the CMTA on implied abandonment, as provided in Section 1129 (b) to (d), in relation to Sections 407 and 403. In this regard, we invite your attention to the following provisions of Section 1129, CMTA, to wit:

"x x x. it is the duty of the District Collector to post a list of all packages discharged and their consignees, whether electronically or physically in the District Office, or send a notice to the consignee withing five (5) days from the date of discharge;" (Section 1129b, id.)

"x x x, the arrastre or warehouse operator shall report the unclaimed goods to the District Collector for disposition pursuant to the provisions of this Act;" (section 1129d, id.)

The one-time extension provided in either Section 407 or Section 403, both of the CMTA, shall be granted only if the request is filed before the expiration of the original period and invoking for valid reason/s. **No further or other extension shall be allowed.**

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For monitoring purposes, a monthly report shall be submitted on or before the 10th day of the succeeding month to the AOCG (*Attention: Auction and Cargo Disposal Monitoring Division*) following the format hereto attached. The ACDMD-AOCG shall submit a Consolidated Report thereof on or before the 10th day of each month to the Office of the Commissioner.

For immediate and strict compliance.