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MEMORANDUM

TO : All Deputy Commissioners
All District Collectors and Sub-Collectors
Head, X-ray Inspection Project
Chief, Risk Management Office
All others concerned

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Bureau of Customs
ISIDRO S. LAPENA
Commissioner
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FROM : ISIDRO S. LAPENA, PhD, CSEE
Commissioner

SUBJECT : **SQUARE ROOT RULE FOR ALL SHIPMENTS
SUBJECT TO X-RAY EXAMINATION**

DATE : 23 October 2017

To further facilitate Trade and prevent congestion in all Ports of Entry, the above subject is hereby implemented immediately subject to the following conditions:

1. Import Entries with at least fifteen (15) shipping containers, of the same Bill of Lading, regardless of size of container is entitled to the square root rule rounded off to the nearest whole number i.e.:
 - 15 Containers – 4 containers subject to x-ray.
 - 16 Containers – 4 containers subject to x-ray.
 - 17 Containers – 5 containers subject to x-ray.
2. Subject containers/ shipments eligible for the square root rule shall be randomly selected by the Commissioner or his Delegated Authorized Representative.
3. All shipping containers who will benefit this rule shall be first prevented exit until such time all subject containers has undergone the x-ray examination.

For strict compliance.