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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE  
**BUREAU OF CUSTOMS**

**OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER**

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO :** ALL DISTRICT COLLECTORS  
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

**SUBJECT :** Certificate of Authority to Import (CAI) and Release  
Certificate from the DTI

**DATE :** 06 September 2017

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This is with reference to the attached letter dated 30 August 2017 of Atty. Sonia S. Tapales, Chief, Import Regulation Division, Fair Trade Enforcement Bureau, Department of Trade and Industry, relative to the report received by that Office regarding the release of regulated used motor vehicles despite the absence of a Certificate of Authority to Import (CAI) and Release Certificate (RC) from the DTI.

In connection thereto, you are hereby ordered to require the presentation of a CAI at the time of filing the Import Entry Declaration of the regulated used motor vehicles and not before the issuance of a Certificate of Payment (CP).

For information and strict compliance.

  
**ISIDRO S. LAPEÑA, PhD, CSEE**

Commissioner

Cc:

**Atty. Sonia S. Tapales**  
Chief, Import Regulation Division  
Fair Trade Enforcement Bureau  
Department of Trade and Industry  
UPRC Building, 315 Sen. Gil Puyat Ave.  
Makati City



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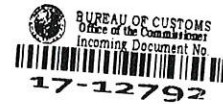
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30 August 2017

**ATTY. GENIEFELLE P. LAGMAY**  
Office of the Commissioner  
Bureau of Customs  
Port Area, Manila

Dear Atty. Lagmay:

We highly appreciate your prompt action on our report regarding the release of regulated used motor vehicles at the Harbor Center despite the absence of Certificate of Authority to Import (CAI) and Release Certificate (RC) from this office.

The most recent information that was reported to us was about shipments of regulated used motor vehicles on board the vessel MV Genius Star IX from Korea. The vessel arrived in Manila last 23 August 2017. Your records will show the names of importers that have shipments of regulated used motor vehicles and used parts and engines without the required CAI.

Due to your prompt action we were informed that although there were already shipments that were released without the required CAI and RC, importers are now being required to present the CAI before the Certificate of Payment (CP) is issued. We advise though that the CAI should be presented at the time of filing the Import Entry Declaration, not before the issuance of the CP.

Thank you for your usual prompt action on our request. More power to the Bureau of Customs.

Very truly yours,

*Sonia S. Tapaless*  
**ATTY. SONIA S. TAPALES**  
Chief, Import regulation Division

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29 August 2017

**ATTY. SONIA S. TAPALES**  
Chief  
Import Regulation Division  
Fair Trade Enforcement Bureau  
Department of Trade & Industry  
1-2F UPRC Building  
315 Sen. Gil J. Puyat Ave., Makati City

Dear Madam,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 15 August 2017, requesting for the strict implementation of the Bureau of Customs-Memorandum dated 23 March 2017, reiterating the strict implementation of E. O. 877-A.

We would like to inform you that we already forwarded your concern to the BOC – Intelligence Group for formal investigation and/or appropriate action. Also, we already sent a memorandum addressed to all District and Sub Port Collectors and all others concerned, enjoining them to strictly implement the provisions of Section 3.c, d and e, Article 2 of E.O. 877-A.

Further, we would like to request for additional information on importations, such as dates of release and list of importers, allegedly being released at the Harbor Center without the required Certificate of Authority to Import and Release from your office.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

*[Signature]*  
**ATTY. GENIEFELLE P. LAGMAY**  
By Authority of the Commissioner

BUREAU OF CUSTOMS  
Office of the Commissioner



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15 August 2017

**CAPTAIN NICANOR E. FAELDON**  
Commissioner  
Bureau of Customs  
Port Area, Manila

Attention: **ATTY. MANDY THERESE M. ANDERSON**  
Chief of Staff

Dear Commissioner Faeldon:

There are reports that regulated used motor vehicles are continuously being released at the Harbor Center without the required Certificate of Authority to Import and Release Certificate from this office.

In this connection, we would like to request for the strict implementation of the BOC Memorandum dated 23 March 2017, reiterating to all District and Sub Port Collectors and all others Concerned, to strictly implement the provisions of Section 3.c, d and e, Article 2 of E.O. 877-A, which expressly provide that importation of trucks with Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW) 2.5 and above, buses with GVW 6 tons and above, and special purpose vehicles requires authority to import from the DTI.

Thank you for your usual prompt action. We highly appreciate your cooperation on matters of mutual concern.

Very truly yours,

  
**ATTY. SONIA S. TAPALES**  
Chief, Import Regulation Division

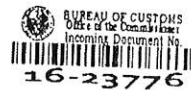
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19 August 2016

**CAPTAIN NICANOR E. FAELDON**

Commissioner  
Bureau of Customs,  
Port Area, Manila

Attention : Atty. Vincent Philip C. Maronilla  
Officer-in-Charge, Import Assessment Service

Dear Commissioner Faeldon:

There are reports that shipments of Completely Knocked-Down (CKD) parts/components of trucks, buses and special purpose vehicles for rebuilding are being unloaded in ports other than the port indicated in the Certificate of Authority to Import (CAI) issued by our office.

Imported CKD parts for rebuilding is required to be rebuilt only by the importer who is a Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) accredited rebuilding center. Rebuilding cannot be outsourced. The CAI issued for CKD parts is port specific and indicates the nearest port from which the accredited rebuilding center is located. Section 11 Article III of DTI DAO No. 08, Series of 2003 provides that only DTI accredited truck rebuilding centers may import CKD parts for rebuilding. Also, the Memorandum of Agreement entered into by and between the Bureau of Customs (BOC), Land Transportation Office (LTO) and the (DTI) dated 16 November 2006, provides that DTI endorsement is required for the registration of the rebuilt unit whose initial registration shall be in the name of the accredited rebuilder. This is to protect the interest of the end user.

In this connection, may we request the BOC not to allow shipments of CKD Parts for rebuilding to be unloaded at any port except the port of destination indicated in the CAI covering the particular importation.

Thank you for your appropriate action on the matter.

Very truly yours,

*Sonia S. Tapaless*  
**ATTY. SONIA S. TAPALES**  
Chief, Import Regulation Division

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Manila

CUSTOMS MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR  
NO. 121-2016

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

SUBJECT : Shipments of Completely Knocked-Down (CKD) Parts  
parts/components of trucks, buses and special purpose  
vehicles for rebuilding

DATE : September 01, 2016

Attached herewith is the letter dated 19 August 2016 from Atty. Sonia S. Tapales, Chief, Import Regulation Division, Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) requesting this Bureau not to allow shipments of Completely Knocked-Down (CKD) parts/components of trucks, buses and special purpose vehicles for rebuilding to be unloaded at any port, except the port of destination indicated in the Certificate of Authority to Import (CAI).

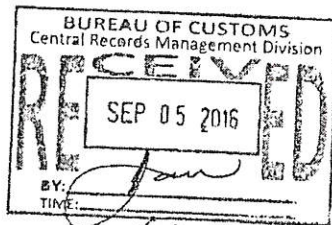
Further, you are hereby reminded of the provisions of Executive Order No. 877, particularly Section 5, Article 2 and Section 2, Article ~~1~~ thereof, which are hereby quoted below:

*Section 5, Article 2 - Used Engine/Parts and Components - Importation of used engines and parts and components for all motor vehicles shall require an authority to import issued by DTI.*

*Section 2, Article ~~1~~ - Government Entities and Employees - Any person, entity, government instrumentality or institution, found to be violating or grossly negligent in executing the mandates of this Executive Order shall result in the expulsion from office of any or all of the following personnel: the chief executive officer, responsible directors, responsible rank and file personnel and other responsible operating officers. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, they shall likewise be prohibited from holding any government position for at least two (2) years.*

For your information and guidance.

Please confirm the dissemination of this circular throughout your offices within fifteen (15) days from receipt hereof.



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*Nicanor E. Faeldon*  
NICANOR E. FAELDON  
Commissioner



SEP 02 2016