





## **MEMORANDUM**

TO

ALL DISTRICT AND SUB-PORT COLLECTORS

ALL CHIEFS, FORMAL ENTRY DIVISION and

**EQUIVALENT UNITS** 

ALL EXAMINERS AND APPRAISERS

ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

**FROM** 

ISIDRO'S. LAPEÑA, PhD, CSEE

Commissioner 🙀

SUBJECT

Reiteration of Sugar Regulatory Board (SRA) -

Bureau of Customs (BOC) Joint Memorandum Order

no. 4-2002 on sugar shipments

DATE

July 6, 2018

1.0 References:

1.1 Letter of Engr. Hermenegildo R. Serafica, Administrator, Sugar Regulatory Administration of Department of Agriculture dated June 25, 2018.

1.2 SRA-BOC Joint Memorandum Order no. 4-2002, dated August 16, 2012

2.0 The Department of Agriculture particularly the Sugar Regulatory Administration specified the General Provision no. 2 of SRA-BOC Joint Memorandum Order no. 4-2002 which states:

"No imported sugar shall be released to the importer/ consignee without an SRA Clearance. Imported sugar not covered by SRA Clearance shall be turned over to SRA upon compliance by the importer/ consignee with Customs rules and regulations, including the payment of duties and other charges. SRA shall identify the market classification of said sugar and cause its disposition in accordance with such classification pursuant to its rules and regulations."

Further, the SRA also stated in their letter that "...Any importation of sugar that has no SRA Clearance may be subjected to Anti-Agricultural Smuggling Act."



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- 3.0 In view of this, you are hereby reminded to ensure all shipments of sugar be secured with clearance from Sugar Regulatory Administration prior to its release.
- 4.0 For strict and immediate implementation.



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COMMISSIONER ISIDRO LAPEÑA

Commissioner Bureau of Customs G/F Ocum Bldg. BOC Port Area, Manila

Dear Comm. Lapeña:

We would like to acknowledge your usual support and cooperation you have been giving our agency especially with regards to sugar and its movements.

SRA remains committed to its mandate to establish and maintain balanced relation between production and requirement of sugar and the marketing conditions as this will insure stabilized prices at a level reasonably profitable to the producers and fair to consumers.

We are confident that with the Joint Memorandum Oder # 4-2002 dated August 16, 2012, we will continue to work together by being vigilant on all sugar entering the Philippine territory. Pursuant to its General Provision #2, No imported sugar shall be released to the importer/consignee without an SRA Clearance. Any importation of sugar that has no SRA clearance may be subjected to Anti Agricultural Smuggling Act.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

ENGR. HERMENEGILDO R. SERAFICA

Administrator

IMPORTS ASSESMENT SERVICE 8:30mm Control No: 2018-07-03 Date