



# BUREAU OF CUSTOMS

MAKABAGONG ADUANA, MATATAG NA EKONOMIYA



PROFESSIONALISM

INTEGRITY

ACCOUNTABILITY

OCOM Memo No. 24-2021

**MASTER COPY**  
*mm*

## MEMORANDUM

**TO :** ALL DISTRICT COLLECTORS  
ALL SUB-PORT COLLECTORS  
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

**FROM :** REY LEONARDO B. GUERRERO  
Commissioner *RG* FEB 11 2021



**SUBJECT :** INTENSIFIED MONITORING OF EMPTY CONTAINERS  
DISCHARGED IN ALL PORTS OF ENTRY

**DATE :** February 2, 2021

In line with this Bureau's efforts to intensify our border protection from the entry of illicit drugs and other anti-social commodities, you are hereby directed to:

- a. ensure intensified monitoring of all empty containers including dry and empty reefer containers discharged in your respective ports and sub-ports;
- b. communicate with the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA) for assistance and deployment of personnel for K9 sniffing, inspection and close coordination; and
- c. inform Shipping Lines and Port Operators with Empty Container Depots that stringent inspection activities on all empty containers discharged in your respective ports will be conducted in close coordination with PDEA.

Further, you are also directed to submit progress reports on actions taken thereon on or before **17 FEBRUARY 2021** to the Port Operations Service (POS), Assessment and Operations Coordinating Group (AOCG)

For strict compliance.



*A Modernized and Credible Customs Administration That is Among the World's Best*