





BUREAU OF CUSTOMS MAKABAGONG ADUANA, MATATAG NA EKONOMIYA



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

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SEIZURE IDENTIFICATION NO. _001- 2012 (NAIA)

One (1) Diamondback Tactical Riflescope 6-24x50 EBR2C MOA Reticle, brought in by incoming passenger JACQUELINE S. PADILLA, holder of Philippine Passport No. P5370330B, and with address at Bagueng, Tinongdan, Benguet.

WARRANT OF SEIZURE AND DETENTION

TO: The District Commander ESS-CPD, NAIA District Office

GREETINGS!

WHEREAS, the subject Riflescope was brought in by Jacqueline S. Padilla, who arrived at the Ninoy Aquino International Airport Terminal 3 on November 24, 2021 on board Cathay Pacific Airways Flight CX 907 from Canada;

WHEREAS, after passing through x-ray scanning at the Arrival Area, passenger Padilla Garcia's luggage was marked with "X" by XIP Inspector Marcelino Balmaceda after he found something unusual inside the luggage;

WHEREAS, XIP Inspector Balmaceda referred passenger Padilla and her luggage to Acting Customs Examiner Danielle Czarisse T. Oquias for the actual examination thereof. Before doing so, Acting Customs Examiner Oquias asked Passenger Padilla if she has anything to declare to which she answered in the affirmative. However, after going over the passenger's Customs Baggage Declaration Form (CBDF), Acting Examiner Oquias found that the passenger answered "NO" in all the items on page 3, and requested that she indicate the "Scope" which her brother requested to bring home to the Philippines. Thereafter, she conducted an actual examination of passenger Padilla's luggage;

WHEREAS, since passenger Padilla did not have the required Import Permit/Clearance from the PNP-FEO, the Riflescope was turned over to the In Bond Room, Baggage Assistance Division under Held Baggage Receipt No. 00453433 for custody and safekeeping;

WHEREAS, in a Memorandum dated 24 November 2021, Acting Examiner Oquias reported her findings to the District Collector, thru Felipe Maria Jr. T. Regencia, Flight Supervisor, and Atty. Ma. Lourdes V. Mangaoang, CSEE, Deputy Collector for Passenger Service, this Port, and recommended for the issuance of Warrant of Seizure and Detention against the subject Riflescope for lack of the required Import Permit/Clearance from the PNO-FEO, in violation of Republic Act 10951, otherwise known as the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunitions Regulation Act", and Section 1113 (f) in relation to Section 119 (a) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (CMTA);

WHEREAS, after a careful evaluation of the documents submitted and applicable customs laws, rules and regulations, the NAIA District Collector finds probable cause for the issuance of Warrant of Seizure and Detention against the subject shipment for violation of Republic Act 10951, otherwise known as the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunitions Regulation Act", and Section 1113 (f) in relation to Section 119 (a) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (CMTA);

WHEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested by law in this Office, and in compliance with applicable customs laws, rules and regulations, it is hereby ordered and decreed that the subject Riflescope be, as it is hereby ordered seized for violation of Republic Act 10591, otherwise known as the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act, and Section 1113 (f) in relation to Section 119 (a) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (CMTA), to be turned over to the Auction and Cargo Disposal Division, this Port, for inventory, classification, and valuation of goods pursuant to Section 1120 of the CMTA, custody and safekeeping pursuant to CAO No. 10-2020, pending the resolution of the seizure case or until ordered by the District Collector, this Port.

Compliance with Customs Memorandum Order No. 10-2020, particularly on the matter of making a return of service and the submission of the Inventory Report or list of the articles seized is to be strictly observed.

SO ORDERED.

NAIA Customhouse, Pasay City, Metro Manila, 13 JAN 2022

CARMELITA M. TALUSAN, CESE District Collector

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