



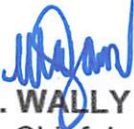
REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
BUREAU OF CUSTOMS

A modernized and credible customs administration that upholds good governance and is among the world's best

MEMORANDUM

TO : **KARREN APRIL A. NOROÑO-GABION**
Officer-in-Charge
Public Information and Assistance Division (PIAD)

THRU : **ATTY. MARIA YASMIN M. OBILLOS-MAPA**
District Collector, BOC-NAIA

FROM : 
ATTY. WALLY ANN D. YUMUL
Acting Chief, Law Division

SUBJECT : **PUBLICATION IN THE BOC WEBSITE OF THE ISSUED
WARRANT OF SEIZURE AND DETENTION (WSD)**

DATE : **4 MARCH 2025**

This refers to the herein attached Warrant of Seizure and Detention relative to **SEIZURE IDENTIFICATION NO. 097-2025 (NAIA)**: Shipment of Forty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred Ten US Dollars (USD43,710.00) Fifteen Million Forty-Thousand Japanese Yen (JPY15,040,000.00) and Sixty-Two Thousand Philippine Pesos (Php62,000.00) brought in by passenger **RYUKI SHIRASE** on 23 January 2025.

As the aforementioned passenger/claimant have indicated insufficient address in the Philippines, the WSDs must be served by posting in the bulletin board of this Port and by electronic posting in the BOC website for fifteen days, as provided under Section 6.5.2 of CAO No. 10-2020, to wit:

6.5.2. To the owner of the goods or his authorized representative.

For the purpose of serving the WSD, the importer, consignee, named in the bill of lading or airway bill, or possessor shall be deemed the owner of the goods.

If the owner is unknown, with insufficient address, or a foreign entity or individual, service shall be effected by posting of the WSD by the ESS in the bulletin board of the concerned collection district office, **and by electronic posting through the BOC website, or printed publication, for fifteen (15) days.**



In view of the foregoing, this Office respectfully requests that the copy of the WSD on **Seizure Identification No. 097-2025 (NAIA)**, be electronically posted with the BOC website for fifteen (15) days. A copy of said warrant is herein attached. Furthermore, scanned copies thereof were also forwarded to Piad@customs.gov.ph and Jessil.garlando@customs.gov.ph.





REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
BUREAU OF CUSTOMS

A modernized and credible customs administration that upholds good governance and is among the world's best

04 March 2025

MR. RYUKI SHIRASE

Email address: ryuuuulovebask1919@gmail.com

Subject : Seizure Identification No. 097-2025 (NAIA)

Republic of the Philippines vs. Forty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred Ten US Dollars (USD43,710.00) Fifteen Million Forty-Thousand Japanese Yen (JPY15,040,000.00) and Sixty-Two Thousand Philippine Pesos (Php62,000.00) brought in by passenger **RYUKI SHIRASE** on 23 January 2025

Dear **Mr. Ryuki Shirase**

This refers to the seized goods which is covered by Seizure Identification No. 097-2025 (NAIA) issued on March 3, 2025 by the District Collector, this Port. A copy of the Warrant of Seizure and Detention is attached for reference.

As part of the on-going seizure and forfeiture proceedings for the aforementioned seized goods, you are hereby directed to submit a Verified Position Paper **within seven (7) days** from receipt hereof, copy furnished the Government Prosecutor, Prosecution and Litigation Division, Legal Service, Bureau of Customs, Port Area, Manila, to discuss the following:

1. Issues of the Case;
2. Proposed Stipulation and Admission;
3. Arguments;
4. Exhibits; and
5. Possibility of settlement.

Kindly send your Verified Position Paper, with pertinent attachments to lawdivision.naia@gmail.com/naia-boc.cares@customs.gov.ph.

Very truly yours,

ATTY. TEODOLFO MARTIN S. YERRO IV
Officer-on-Case





REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
BUREAU OF CUSTOMS

A modernized and credible customs administration that upholds good governance and is among the world's best

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

-versus-

Forty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred Ten US Dollars (USD 43,710.00), Fifteen Million Forty-Thousand Japanese Yen (JPY 15,040,000.00), and Sixty-Two Thousand Philippine Pesos (PHP 62,000.00) brought in by passenger **RYUKI SHIRASE** on 23 January 2025

X-----X

SEIZURE IDENTIFICATION
NO. 097-2025 (NAIA)

WARRANT OF SEIZURE AND DETENTION

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

WHEREAS, on 23 January 2025, at around 2119H, a male Japanese passenger named Ryuki Shirase with Passport Number TS3171991 arrived at NAIA Terminal 3 on board flight 5J 5039 from Japan.

WHEREAS, Shirase's hand-carried baggage underwent a non-intrusive examination by XIP Operator Joseph Lodea and was referred to Customs Examiner Jaypee L. Chuidian for physical inspection.

WHEREAS, Customs Examiner asked passenger Shirase to scan the e-travel QR code and hand-over his passport. Upon checking the scanned QR code, no declaration was made relative to the question of bringing in Philippine Peso in excess of Fifty Thousand Pesos (PHP 50,000.00) and of foreign currency in excess of Ten Thousand US Dollars (USD 10,000.00) or its equivalent. Customs Examiner verbally asked the passenger if he had anything to declare to which he responded in the negative.

WHEREAS, in the presence of passenger Shirase, representatives from ESS, CIIS, and Acting Flight Supervisor, Customs Examiner Chuidian conducted the physical examination which yielded Fifty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred Ten US Dollars (USD 53,710.00), Fifteen Million Forty Thousand Japanese Yen (JYP 15,040,000.00), and One Hundred Twelve Thousand Philippine Pesos (PHP 112,000.00). The amount of Ten Thousand US Dollars (USD 10,000.00) and Fifty Thousand Pesos (PHP 50,000.00) were returned to passenger Shirase representing the total amount allowed to be brought in by incoming passengers. Thereafter, a Held Baggage Receipt No. 00100012509 was issued to passenger Shirase for the undeclared amount of Forty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred Ten US Dollars (USD 43,710.00), Fifteen Million Forty-Thousand Japanese Yen (JPY 15,040,000.00), and Sixty-Two Thousand Philippine Pesos (PHP 62,000.00). The confiscated Local and Foreign Currencies were turned over to Jonathan Mesa of the In-Bond Unit, Baggage Assistance Division (BAD), for safekeeping.

WHEREAS, in a Memorandum for the District Collector, this Port, dated 17 February 2025, Customs Examiner Jaypee L. Chuidian and Acting Flight Supervisor Jerico E. Flores thru Atty. Danilo M. Campos Jr., Chief, Arrival Operations Division, Mark Jhon O. Almase, Ph.D., Assistant Deputy Collector for Passenger Service, and Norsalem Raymond M. Mama-o, Acting Deputy Collector for Passenger Service, recommended for the issuance of Warrant of Seizure and Detention (WSD) against the amount of Forty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred Ten US Dollars (USD 43,710.00), Fifteen Million Forty-Thousand Japanese



Yen (JPY 15, 040,000.00), and Sixty-Two Thousand Philippine Pesos (PHP 62,000.00) for violation of Section 117 in relation to Section 1113 of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (CMTA) and Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) Circular No. 1146, series of 2022, entitled " Amendments to the Rules on Cross-Border Transfer of Local and Foreign Currencies".

WHEREAS, Section 4 of the Manual of Regulations on Foreign Exchange Transactions (updated as of May 2023), states:

Section 4. Cross-Border Transfer of Local and Foreign Currencies.

"1. Local Currency. A person may import or export, or bring into or take out of the Philippines, or electronically transfer, legal tender Philippine notes and coins, checks, money order and other bills of exchange drawn in pesos against banks operating in the Philippines in an amount not exceeding Php50,000.00 without prior authorization by the BSP.

Amounts in excess of aforementioned limit shall require: (a) prior written authorization from the BSP; and (b) in case of Physical cross-border transfer of Philippine currency, declaration of the whole amount brought into or taken out of the Philippines using prescribed Currency Declaration Form (Annex K).

2. Foreign Currency. Any person who brings into or takes out of the Philippines foreign currency, as well as other foreign currency denominated bearer monetary instruments in excess of US\$10,000.00 or its equivalent is required to declare the whole amount brought into or taken out of the Philippines using the prescribed Currency Declaration Form." (Underline for emphasis)"

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 Local and Foreign currencies for violation of Section 117 of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (CMTA), and Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) Circular No. 1146, series of 2022, entitled, " Amendments to the Rules on Cross-Border Transfer of Local and Foreign Currencies".

WHEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested by law in this Office, and in compliance with applicable customs laws, rules, and regulations, you, together with the representatives of the concerned offices, are hereby ordered to seize the subject currencies intercepted from incoming passenger **RYUKI SHIRASE** for violation of Section 117 of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act, Section 4 of the Manual of Regulations on Foreign Exchange Transactions (as amended by BSP Circular Nos. 794 dated 18 April 2013, 874 dated 08 April 2015; 922 dated 23 August 2016 and 1146 dated 26 May 2022), and Republic Act No. 7653 dated 14 June 1993 (The New Central Bank Act); and to turn over the same to the Collection Division for custody and safekeeping, pending the resolution of the seizure case by the Law Division, and/or until ordered by the District Collector, this Port.

Strict compliance with Customs Administrative Order (CAO) 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 within the period indicated therein, is likewise directed. Failure to do so shall render this Warrant of Seizure and Detention *ipso facto* considered null and void and shall subject the defaulting officer to the appropriate administrative charges and penalties in accordance with existing laws, rules and regulations.

SO ORDERED.

BOC-NAIA, Pasay City, _____, March 2025.

ATTY. MARIA YASMIN M. OBILLOS-MAPA
District Collector, BOC-NAIA

Wdy/law/tsy



Old MIA Road, NAIA Complex, 1300 Pasay City
+63 (02) 8705-6000, +639776767034 | www.customs.gov.ph | naia@customs.gov.ph