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DAVAO SEIZURE IDENTIFICATION
CASE No. 78 – 2025

-versus-

2,000 REAMS FORT WHITE CIGARETTES
500 REAMS CANNON CIGARETTES
1 UNIT MITSUBISHI UTILITY VEHICLE (PLATE NO. CDK 3647)

NICK OMARIA SABALA
Brgy. Lagandang, Lebak, Sultan Kudarat

MARKO ABDURAHMAN TINGKAHAN
Brgy. Tidpuan, Lebak, Sultan Kudarat
Kabasalan, Zamboanga Sibugay
Claimants

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WARRANT OF SEIZURE AND DETENTION

To: ESS-CPD
Sector Commander
Sub-Port of General Santos

WHEREAS, on 17 April 2025, RID 12 Tracker Team Golf/ Foxrot, 2nd SCPMFC, SCPPO PIU, CIDG South Cotabato and Banga MPS conducted a joint Comelec checkpoint operation at 2nd Maneuver Platoon, Brgy. San Vicente, Banga, South Cotabato. A vehicle and its cargo, allegedly smuggled cigarettes were seized for failure of the herein claimants to present pertinent documents showing that such cigarettes passed through legal importation. The following items were seized, to wit:

PARTICULARS	QUANTITY	ESTIMATED VALUE
FORT WHITE CIGARETTES	2,000 REAMS	PHP 1,571,600.00
CANNON CIGARETTES	500 REAMS	PHP 392,900.00
MITSUBISHI UTILITY VEHICLE (PLATE NO. CDK 3647)	1 UNIT	PHP 780,000.00
TOTAL	2,500 REAMS 1 UNIT	PHP 2,744,500.00

WHEREAS, on 21 April 2025, the above seized cigarettes and vehicle were turned over by Pat. Ernie Biboso Canlas, from Banga Municipal Police Station, and received by SAI Rogel E. Julio, Sector Commander, ESS-CPD, Sub-Port of General Santos, for safekeeping and for purposes of proper disposition;

WHEREAS, IA-II Michael D. Cariga, Team Leader, CIIS, Sub-Port of General Santos issued a Certification dated 21 April 2025 that as per records, the claimants are not a registered or accredited importers with the Bureau of Customs;

WHEREAS, on 21 April 2025, COO-II Vivian A. Jimenez, assigned Customs Examiner, submitted a report relative to the conduct of physical examination of the above seized goods. Customs Examiner Jimenez issued a certification that the seized goods were considered as smuggled and recommended for the issuance of a Warrant of Seizure and Detention in violation of Section 117, Section 1113 and Section 400 of R.A. No. 10863 otherwise known as the "Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (CMTA)";



WHEREAS, on 21 May 2025, ESS District Commander SP/CAPT. Mangurun C. Batuampar, Jr., and CIIS Chief IO-II Felix A. Espino III, also recommended for the issuance of Warrant of Seizure; and

WHEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested by law in this Office, you are hereby ordered to forthwith SEIZE the aforementioned articles and take physical possession and, custody. In compliance with Customs Administrative Order No.10-2020, particularly, in the manner of making a return of service and the submission of Inventory Report on the list of the seized cargo be strictly observed.

SO ORDERED.

Port of Davao, Sasa, Davao City, 03 July 2025.


MAITA S. ACEVEDO
District Collector, Port of Davao

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