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MEMORANDUM

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

THRU : **ALEXANDRA Y. LUMONTAD**
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 : **14 JULY 2025**

This refers to the herein attached issued Warrant of Seizure and Detention (WSD):

1. **SEIZURE IDENTIFICATION NO. 202-2025 (NAIA)** : Republic of the Philippines vs. Four Hundred Forty Nine Thousand Pesos (Php449,000.00) brought in by Korean traveler named **DONGJUN LEE** on 22 April 2025;
2. **SEIZURE IDENTIFICATION NO. 203-2025 (NAIA)** : Republic of the Philippines vs. Seventy-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Philippine Pesos (Php75,850.00) intercepted from incoming Australian traveler **JORDAN JAMES CULLEN** on 08 May 2025 at NAIA Terminal 3;
3. **SEIZURE IDENTIFICATION NO. 204-2025 (NAIA)** : Republic of the Philippines vs. One Hundred Forty Eight Thousand Pesos (Php148,000.00) brought in by incoming passenger **WOO SEOK CHANG** on 10 May 2025;
4. **SEIZURE IDENTIFICATION NO. 205-2025 (NAIA)** : Republic of the Philippines vs. One Hundred Seven Thousand Philippine Pesos (Php107,000.00) confiscated from incoming passenger **KE-JAUN RAHEEM DE-QUAN BROWNE** on 03 April 2025 and held in custody under Held Baggage Receipt No. 00100012925; and
5. **SEIZURE IDENTIFICATION NO. 206-2025 (NAIA)** : Republic of the Philippines vs. Seventy Seven Thousand Pesos (Php77,000.00) Philippine Currency, confiscated from incoming passenger **TOH ZHI GUANG** on 29 May 2025.

As the aforementioned passengers/claimants have indicated insufficient addresses 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 Nos. 202-2025 (NAIA), 203-2025 (NAIA), 204-2025 (NAIA), 205-2025 (NAIA) and 206-2025 (NAIA)**, respectively, 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.





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MR. DONGJUN LEE
City of Dreams

Subject : Seizure Identification No. 202-2025 (NAIA)
Republic of the Philippines vs. Four Hundred Forty Nine
Thousand Pesos (Php449,000.00) brought in by Korean traveler
named **DONGJUN LEE** on 22 April 2025

To: Mr. Dongjun Lee

This refers to the seized goods which is covered by Seizure Identification No. 202-2025 (NAIA) issued on July 11, 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 attend the Preliminary Conference scheduled on **July 18, 2025 (Friday), 10:15 a.m. at the Law Division, Room 304, NAIA Customhouse Bldg. Pasay City**. In the alternative, a Verified Position Paper may be submitted **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:

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Should you opt to attend the Preliminary Conference, your attendance must be confirmed by contacting **John Victoriano D. Villanueva III**, through **Mobile# 0966 8350713**.

On the other hand, the Verified Position Paper, with pertinent attachments, may be submitted to the Office of the Law Division, Third Floor, Bureau of Customs – NAIA Building, Old MIA Road, Pasay City and through electronic means sent to the naia-lawdivision@customs.gov.ph and naia-boc.cares@customs.gov.ph.

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Four Hundred Forty Nine
Thousand Pesos (Php449,000.00)
brought in by Korean traveler
named **DONGJUN LEE** on 22 April
2025

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SEIZURE IDENTIFICATION
NO. 202-2025 (NAIA)

WARRANT OF SEIZURE AND DETENTION

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

WHEREAS, on 22 April 2025, on board flight no. 5J185 from South Korea, a male Japanese traveler named Dongjun Lee with Passport No. M27997818 arrived at the NAIA Terminal 3. His hand carry baggage was subjected to non-intrusive inspection by X-Ray Inspection Project (XIP) personnel Ryan D. Alberto. Thereafter, the traveler and his hand carried baggage was referred for further verification and examination to Customs Examiner Ludwig G. Umali due to suspicious images of possible currencies shown through x-ray scanning.

WHEREAS, prior to conduct of physical examination, Customs Examiner asked for the traveler's e-Travel QR code to which the traveler immediately provided. Upon checking the scanned QR Code, it was noted that there was no declaration made by the traveler relative to the question of bringing Philippine currency and/or any Philippine Monetary Instrument.

WHEREAS, Customs Examiner asked if he secured prior written authorization from Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) to which he replied in the negative. He then invited the traveler to the exclusion room together with ESS SA1 Archer Pineza and CIIS personnel Ediex Liwanag for the verification and counting of the currency.

WHEREAS, the physical examination yielded the discovery of Four Hundred Ninety-Nine (499) pieces of one thousand peso bills amounting to Php 499,000.00.

WHEREAS, after verified counting of the Philippine Currency, the Customs Examiner explained to the traveler that prior written authorization from the BSP was required, otherwise the amount in excess of Php50,000.00 threshold shall be confiscated in violation of Section 117 of the CMTA in relation to BSP Circular No. 1146 s. 2022 bearing the subject: "Amendments to the Rules on Cross-Border Transfer of Local and Foreign Currencies".

WHEREAS, the allowable amount of Fifty Thousand Pesos (Php50,000.00) was returned to the traveler. Held Baggage Receipt Number 00100013027 was issued for the excess amount. The confiscated Local Currency was turned over to Jonathan T. Mesa of the Baggage Assistance Division for safekeeping.

WHEREAS, the procedure was done in the presence of the traveler Dongjun Lee, witnessed by ESS SA1 Archer Pineza, CIIS Ediex Liwanag, and supervised by Flight Supervisor Manuel J. Mendiza.



WHEREAS, on 30 May 2025, Customs Examiner Ludwig G. Umali, Flight Supervisor Manuel Mendoza thru Acting Deputy Collector for Passenger Service, Assistant Deputy Collector for Passenger Service, and Chief, Arrival Operation Division, submitted their incident report to the District Collector and recommended for the issuance of Warrant of Seizure and Detention (WSD) of the subject Philippine currency for violation of Section 1400 (Misdeclaration) in relation to Section 1113 (Property Subject to Seizure and Forfeiture) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (CMTA) and Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas(BSP) Circular No. 1146 Series of 2022-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)."

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 the Warrant of Seizure and Detention against the subject currencies for violation of Section 4 of the Manual of Regulations on Foreign Exchange Transactions, in relation to Sections 117 and 1113 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, you, together with the representatives of the concerned offices, are hereby ordered to seize the subject currencies intercepted from passenger **DONGJUN LEE** for violation of Sections 117 and 1113 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, JUL 11 2025, July 2025.



ALEXANDRA Y. LUMONTAD
District Collector, BOC-NAIA

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MR. JORDAN JAMES CULLEN
Marriott Hotel

Subject : Seizure Identification No. 203-2025 (NAIA)
Republic of the Philippines vs. Seventy-Five Thousand Eight
Hundred Fifty Philippine Pesos (Php75,850.00) intercepted from
incoming Australian traveler **JORDAN JAMES CULLEN** on 08
May 2025 at NAIA Terminal 3

To: Mr. Jordan James Cullen

This refers to the seized goods which is covered by Seizure Identification No. 203-2025 (NAIA) issued on July 11, 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 attend the Preliminary Conference scheduled on **July 18, 2025 (Friday), 10:30 a.m. at the Law Division, Room 304, NAIA Customhouse Bldg. Pasay City**. In the alternative, a Verified Position Paper may be submitted **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:

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3. Proposed Stipulations and Admission;
4. Arguments; and
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Seventy-Five Thousand Eight
Hundred Fifty Philippine Pesos
(Php75,850.00) intercepted from
incoming Australian traveler
JORDAN JAMES CULLEN on 08
May 2025 at NAIA Terminal 3

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**SEIZURE IDENTIFICATION
NO. 203-2025 (NAIA)**

WARRANT OF SEIZURE AND DETENTION

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

WHEREAS, on or about 0256H of 08 May 2025, on board Flight No. QF97 from Australia, a male Australian traveler named Jordan James Cullen with Passport No. RA5875591 arrived at NAIA Terminal 3. He approached the Customs lane for e-travel QR code scanning.

WHEREAS, upon checking the scanned E-travel QR code, Customs Examiner Ana Wilfrequita Q. Saplad noted that there was a declaration made by the traveler relative to the questions of bringing in Philippine currency and/or any Philippine Monetary Instrument in excess of Php50,000.00 and Foreign Currency and/or Foreign Monetary Instrument in excess of USD10,000.00 or its equivalent amounting to One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Pesos (Php125,850.00), and Three Thousand One Hundred Australian Dollars (AUD3,100.00), respectively.

WHEREAS, Examiner Saplad thereafter asked the traveler if he secured prior written authorization from Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) to which he replied in the negative. She then invited the traveler to the Coordination Room together with ESS SAI Aldrin V. Mariano and CIIS Giovanni Villa for the verification and physical counting of the declared currencies.

WHEREAS, the physical examination yielded to the discovery of One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Pesos (Php125,850.00) and Three Thousand One Hundred Australian Dollars (AUD3,100.00).

WHEREAS, after verified counting of the Philippine currency, the customs examiner explained to the traveler that prior authorization from the BSP is required for bringing into the country Philippine currency more than Php50,000.00. Otherwise, the amount in excess of Php50,000.00 shall be confiscated in violation of Section 117 of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (CMTA) in relation to Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas Circular No. 1146 s. 2022-Amendments to the Rules on Cross-Border Transfer of Local and Foreign Currencies.

WHEREAS, the Three Thousand One Hundred Australian Dollars (AUD3,100.00) and allowable amount of Fifty Thousand Pesos (Php50,000.00) were returned to the traveler. Held Baggage Receipt Number 00100013083 was issued for the excess amount of Seventy-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Pesos (Php75,850.00). The confiscated Philippine Pesos was turned over to Hamimah C. Mangondaya of the In-bond Unit of the Baggage Assistance Division for safekeeping.

WHEREAS, the procedure was done in the presence of the traveler Jordan James Cullen, witnessed by ESS SAI Aldrin V. Mariano, CIIS Giovanni Villa, and supervised by Flight



Supervisor Princess Tanya R. Atienza.

WHEREAS, on 25 June 2025, Customs Examiner Ana Wilfrecita Q. Saplad, Flight Supervisor Princess Tanya R. Atienza thru Acting Deputy Collector for Passenger Service, Assistant Deputy Collector for Passenger Service, and Chief, Arrival Operation Division, submitted their incident report to the District Collector and recommended for the issuance of Warrant of Seizure and Detention (WSD) of the subject Philippine currency for violation of Section 1400 (Misdeclaration) in relation to Section 1113 (Property Subject to Seizure and Forfeiture) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (CMTA) and Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) Circular No. 1146 Series of 2022-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:

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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)."

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 the Warrant of Seizure and Detention against the subject currencies for violation of Section 4 of the Manual of Regulations on Foreign Exchange Transactions, in relation to Sections 117 and 1113 of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (CMTA).

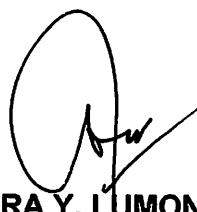
WHEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested by law in this Office, and in compliance with applicable customs laws, rules, and regulations, you, together with the representatives of the concerned offices, are hereby ordered to seize the subject currencies intercepted from traveler **JORDAN JAMES CULLEN** for violation of Sections 117 and 1113 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, JUL 11 2025, July 2025.

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ALEXANDRA Y. LUMONTAD,
District Collector, BOC-NAIA





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14 July 2025

MR. WOO SEOK CHANG

Okada Manila Hotel

NCR Philippines

Subject : Seizure Identification No. 204-2025 (NAIA)

Republic of the Philippines vs. One Hundred Forty Eight
Thousand Pesos (Php148,000.00) brought in by incoming
passenger **WOO SEOK CHANG** on 10 May 2025

To: Mr. Woo Seok Chang

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One Hundred Forty Eight
Thousand Pesos (Php 148,000.00)
brought in by incoming passenger
WOO SEOK CHANG on 10 May
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SEIZURE IDENTIFICATION
NO. 204-2025 (NAIA)

WARRANT OF SEIZURE AND DETENTION

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

WHEREAS, on 10 May 2025, at around 1620H, Woo Seok Chang, a male Korean passenger with Passport No. M19969417 arrived at Ninoy Aquino International Airport Terminal 3 on board flight Z2885 from South Korea.

WHEREAS, the hand-carried baggage of passenger Chang underwent a non-intrusive inspection by XIP personnel Carina Alega which was referred to Customs Examiner Kate Betheline T. Badon for verification.

WHEREAS, Customs Examiner Badon asked the passenger to scan his e-Travel QR code. Upon scanning the same, it was noted that the passenger answered "NO" to all items in the General Declaration including the item which pertains to Philippine Currency and/or Philippine Monetary Instrument in excess of Php 50,000.00. Customs Examiner asked passenger Chang if he had anything to declare to which he responded in the negative. Subsequently, Customs Examiner Badon invited the passenger to the exclusion room for verification and counting of the subject currencies.

WHEREAS, in the presence of passenger Chang, ESS SAI Mark Jason Jupuri, CIIS SAI Alesandro Trespeces III, and Flight Supervisor Rosalinda A. Ros, Customs Examiner Badon conducted the physical examination which yielded One Hundred Ninety-Eight Thousand Pesos (Php 198,000.00) The amount of Php 50,000.00 was returned to passenger Chang representing the total amount allowed to be brought in by incoming passengers. Thereafter, a Held Baggage Receipt No. 00100013128 was issued for the excess amount of One Hundred Forty Eight Thousand Pesos (Php 148,000.00). The confiscated Philippine Currency was turned over to Jonathan Mesa of the In-bond Unit, Baggage Assistance Division, for safekeeping.

WHEREAS, in a Memorandum for the District Collector, this Port, dated 10 June 2025, Customs Examiner Kate Betheline T. Badon and Flight Supervisor Rosalinda A. Ros 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 Php 148,000.00 for violation of Section 117 in relation to Section 1113 (f) 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

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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 passenger **WOO SEOK CHANG** for violation of Sections 117 and 1113 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.

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BOC-NAIA, Pasay City, JUL 11 2025, July 2025.


ALEXANDRA Y. LUMONTAD
District Collector, BOC-NAIA

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MR. KE-JAUN RAHEEM DE-QUAN BROWN
Makati

Subject : Seizure Identification No. 205-2025 (NAIA)

Republic of the Philippines vs. One Hundred Seven Thousand Philippine Pesos (Php107,000.00) confiscated from incoming passenger **KE-JAUN RAHEEM DE-QUAN BROWNE** on 03 April 2025 and held in custody under Held Baggage Receipt No. 00100012925

To: Mr. Ke-Jaun Raheem De-Quan Brown

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SEIZURE IDENTIFICATION

NO. 205-2025 (NAIA)

WARRANT OF SEIZURE AND DETENTION

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

WHEREAS, on 03 April 2025, a traveler named Ke-Jaun Raheem De-Quan Browne, with Passport Number RE0159396 arrived at Ninoy Aquino International Airport (NAIA) Terminal 3 on board Cebu Air Flight 5J313 from Taipei. He then approached the Customs Arrival Lane for scanning of his e-Travel QR Code. Customs Examiner Ferdinand R. Carungcong noted that Passenger Browne declared the amount of One Hundred Fifty Seven Thousand Pesos (Php157,000.00) Philippine Currency in his electronic Customs Baggage Declaration Form (e-CBDF).

WHEREAS, Customs Examiner Carungcong asked passenger Browne if he secured prior written authorization from Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) to which he replied in the negative. He then invited passenger Browne to the Arrival Exclusion Room together with the representatives of the ESS and the CIIS for the actual counting of the Philippine Currency.

WHEREAS, Customs Examiner Carungcong proceeded with the actual counting of the Philippine Currency in the presence of passenger Browne and witnessed by ESS Agent Mark Jason A. Jupuri, CIIS Agent Edix Liwanag and Flight Supervisor Annalyn V. Reyes, which yielded the total amount of One Hundred Fifty Seven Thousand Pesos (Php157,000.00).

WHEREAS, after the verified counting, Customs Examiner Carungcong returned the amount of Fifty Thousand Pesos (Php50,000.00) and Held Baggage Receipt No. 00100012925 was issued for the remaining amount of One Hundred Seven Thousand Pesos (Php107,000.00) which was confiscated and turned over to the In Bond Section, Baggage Assistance Division, for custody and safekeeping.

WHEREAS, on 04 June 2025, Customs Examiner Ferdinand R. Carungcong and Flight Supervisor Annalyn V. Reyes, thru Atty. Danilo M. Campos, Jr., Chief, Arrival Operations Division, Mark Jhon O. Almase, Assistant Deputy Collector for Passenger Service, and Norsalem Raymond M. Mama-o, Deputy Collector for Passenger Service, reported the incident to the District Collector, this Port, and recommended for the issuance of Warrant of Seizure and Detention against the amount of One Hundred Seven Thousand Pesos (Php107,000.00) confiscated from passenger Browne for violation of



Section 117 (Regulated Importation and Exportation) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (CMTA), 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)."

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 the Warrant of Seizure and Detention against the subject currencies for violation of Section 4 of the Manual of Regulations on Foreign Exchange Transactions, in relation to Sections 117 and 1113 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, you, together with the representatives of the concerned offices, are hereby ordered to seize the subject currencies intercepted from passenger **KE-JAUN RAHEEM DE-QUAN BROWNE** for violation of Sections 117 and 1113 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, JUL 11 2025 July 2025.

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ALEXANDRA Y. LUMONTAD
District Collector, BOC-NAIA





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14 July 2025

MR. TOH ZHI GUANG
Arzo Hotel Manila

Subject : Seizure Identification No. 206-2025 (NAIA)
Republic of the Philippines vs. Seventy Seven Thousand Pesos
(Php77,000.00) Philippine Currency, confiscated from incoming
passenger **TOH ZHI GUANG** on 29 May 2025

To: Mr. Toh Zhi Guang

This refers to the seized goods which is covered by Seizure Identification No. 206-2025 (NAIA) issued on July 11, 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 attend the Preliminary Conference scheduled on **July 18, 2025 (Friday), 11:15 a.m. at the Law Division, Room 304, NAIA Customhouse Bldg. Pasay City**. In the alternative, a Verified Position Paper may be submitted **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. Statement of Facts;
2. Issues of the Case;
3. Proposed Stipulations and Admission;
4. Arguments; and
5. Exhibits.

Should you opt to attend the Preliminary Conference, your attendance must be confirmed by contacting **John Victoriano D. Villanueva III**, through **Mobile# 0966 8350713**.

On the other hand, the Verified Position Paper, with pertinent attachments, may be submitted to the Office of the Law Division, Third Floor, Bureau of Customs – NAIA Building, Old MIA Road, Pasay City and through electronic means sent to the naia-lawdivision@customs.goc.ph and naia-boc.cares@customs.gov.ph.

Your preferential attention on the matter is requested.

Very truly yours,

ATTY. EMILIO Y. LEGASPI IV
Officer-on-Case



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SEIZURE IDENTIFICATION

NO. 206-2025 (NAIA)

WARRANT OF SEIZURE AND DETENTION

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

WHEREAS, on 29 May 2025, a male Singaporean traveler named Toh Zhi Guang, with Passport Number K3265106Z, arrived at the Ninoy Aquino International Airport on board Singapore Airlines Flight SQ914 from Singapore. His carry-on baggage underwent the non-intrusive examination by XIP Inspector Michael Martinez who detected suspicious images inside. He then referred passenger Guang to Customs Examiner Kyle Christian U. Vitoria physical examination.

WHEREAS, Customs Examiner Vitoria requested passenger Guang to submit his e-Travel QR Code. After scanning his electronic Customs Baggage Declaration Form (e-CBDF), he noted that the latter answered "Yes" to Item 1 in the General Declaration of the electronic Customs Baggage Declaration Form (e-CBDF). He then invited passenger Guang together with SA I Mark Jason A. Jupuri to the Coordination Center at the Arrival Area for the physical counting of the Philippine Currency.

WHEREAS, in the presence of the passenger, together with the ESS SAI Jupuri the actual examination yielded the total amount of One Hundred Twenty Seven Thousand Pesos (Php127,000.00). After the verified counting, Customs Examiner Vitoria explained to Passenger Guang that failure to provide prior authorization from the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), the Philippine Currency found in excess of the threshold amount of Fifty Thousand Pesos (Php50,000.00) will be confiscated for violation of Section 117 in relation to BSP Circular No. 1146, series of 2022.

WHEREAS, Customs Examiner Vitoria returned the amount of Fifty Thousand Pesos (Php50,000.00) to passenger Guang, and the remaining amount of Seventy-Seven Thousand Pesos (Php77,000.00) was confiscated. Held Baggage Receipt No. 00100013207 was then issued by Customs Examiner Vitoria for the remaining amount which was later on turned over to the In Bond Section, Baggage Assistance Division, for custody and safekeeping.

WHEREAS, in a Memorandum dated 29 May 2025, Customs Examiner Kyle Christian U. Vitoria and Flight Supervisor Ramon S. Calleja, Jr., thru the Chief, Arrival Operations Division, the Assistant Deputy Collector and the Deputy Collector for Passenger Service, informed the District Collector, this Port, of the confiscation of the amount of Seventy-Seven Thousand Pesos (Php77,000.00) Philippine Currency from passenger Guang and recommended for the issuance of Warrant of Seizure and



Detention for violation of Sections 117 and 1113 of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (CMTA) in relation to Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) Circular No. 1146, series of 2022 bearing the subject "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:

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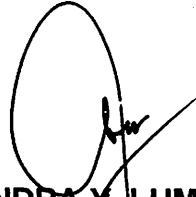
WHEREAS, after a careful evaluation of the documents submitted and applicable customs laws, rules and regulations, the NAIA District Collector finds probable cause for the issuance of the Warrant of Seizure and Detention against the subject currencies for violation of Section 4 of the Manual of Regulations on Foreign Exchange Transactions, in relation to Sections 117 and 1113 of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (CMTA).

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SO ORDERED.

BOC-NAIA, Pasay City, JUL 11 2025 , July 2025.


ALEXANDRA Y. LUMONTAD
District Collector, BOC-NAIA

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