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11 July 2025

**MR. HELBERT BELTRANO MANLULU**

Denmark Street, Aurora Village  
Tarlac City

**Subject : Seizure Identification No. 201-2025 (NAIA)**

Republic of the Philippines vs. Fourteen (14) pieces of Gucci  
bags and Four (4) pieces Chanel Bags brought in by **HELBERT  
BELTRANO MANLULU** on 15 April 2025

**To: Mr. Helbert Beltrano Manlulu**

This refers to the seized goods which is covered by Seizure Identification No. 201-2025 (NAIA) issued on July 10, 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), 10:00 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](mailto:naia-lawdivision@customs.goc.ph) and [naia-boc.cares@customs.gov.ph](mailto:naia-boc.cares@customs.gov.ph).

Your preferential attention on the matter is requested.

Very truly yours,

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



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2025

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SEIZURE IDENTIFICATION  
NO. 201-2025 (NAIA)

**WARRANT OF SEIZURE AND DETENTION**

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

WHEREAS, on 15 April 2025, at around 2330H, a male American passenger named Helbert Beltrano Manlulu with Passport No. A26909002 arrived at NAIA Terminal 1 on board flight OZ 703 from USA.

WHEREAS, the checked-in baggage of Helbert Beltrano Manlulu underwent a non-intrusive examination by XIP Inspector Edgardo Soriano which was then referred to Customs Examiner Kyle Christian U. Viloria for physical examination.

WHEREAS, prior to physical examination, Customs Examiner Viloria asked the passenger if he had an e-Travel QR Code to which he replied in the affirmative. Passenger Manlulu handed over his e-Travel QR Code and passport. Upon checking the scanned QR code, Customs Examiner noted that the passengers ticked "NO" to all the items in the General Declaration.

WHEREAS, in the presence of passenger Helbert Beltrano Manlulu, Customs Examiner Viloria conducted the physical examination which yielded Fourteen (14) pieces of Gucci bags and Four (4) pieces Chanel Bags. Thereafter, a Held Baggage Receipt No. 00100009998 was issued to passenger Manlulu covering the subject goods seized. The confiscated items were turned over to the personnel of the In-Bond Unit, Baggage Assistance Division (BAD), for safekeeping.

WHEREAS, in a Memorandum for the District Collector, this Port, dated 13 May 2025, Customs Examiner Kyle Christian U. Viloria and Flight Supervisor Belinda C. Copioso 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 a Warrant of Seizure and Detention (WSD) against the subject goods for violation of Section 1113 (I) (2) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (CMTA).

**"Section 1113. Property Subject to Seizure and Forfeiture.**  
Property that shall be subject to seizure and forfeiture include:

x x x                      x x x

(I) **Goods sought to be imported** or exported x x x



(2) Found in the baggage of a person arriving from abroad and undeclared by such person.”(Emphasis and underscoring supplied)

WHEREAS, after 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 goods for violation of Section 1113 (I) (2) 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 Fourteen (14) pieces of Gucci bags and Four (4) pieces Chanel Bags intercepted from incoming passenger **HELBERT BELTRANO MANLULU** for violation of Section 1113 (I) (2) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (CMTA), and to turn over the same to the Auction and Cargo Disposal Division for classification, inventory, 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 10 2025, July 2025.

  
**ALEXANDRA Y. LUMONTAD**  
District Collector, BOC-NAIA

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