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**Operating Instructions No. 18/2021**

Director General  
Sri Lanka Customs

CEOs of all Commercial Banks

Dear Sir/ Madam

**Imports and Exports Control Regulation No. 10 of 2021.**

The following Operating Instructions are issued under the power vested in Imports and Exports (Control) Act No.1 of 1969 and in terms of the Regulation No. 17 of the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2231/18 dated June 11, 2021.

1. The Gazette Extraordinary No. 2231/18 dated June 11, 2021, has been published to repeal the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2184/21 dated July 16, 2020, and its amendments in order to relax the import restrictions.
2. Letters of Credit (LCs) shall not be established for the items stipulated in the **Schedule I** from June 11, 2020, where such importation is suspended by the Regulations of the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2231/18 dated June 11, 2021, unless exempted therein.
3. Letters of Credit established before the effective date of the respective Regulations published in the Gazette No. 2231/18 dated June 11, 2021, for the goods which are newly added to the **Schedule I**, shall not be amended where such importation is suspended by the regulations of the aforesaid Gazette unless exempted therein (Annex 1: newly added goods).
4. Commercial banks shall not effect Advance Payment for goods stipulated in the **Schedule I** of the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2231/18 dated June 11, 2021, unless exempted therein.

5. Sri Lanka Customs and Banks shall take declaration concerning value addition, the purpose for import, date of effecting inward remittance, and other particulars to implement Regulations.
6. Banks and Sri Lanka Customs shall inform this Department about non-compliance to the Regulations
7. Sri Lanka Customs Shall release items which are removed from the **Schedule I** of the Gazette No. 2184/21, and its amendments, by the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2231/18 dated June 11, 2021, which are loaded on or before June 10, 2021, by charging 50% penalty. Further commercial bank shall release documents to the importer to clear such goods from Sri Lanka Customs and effect payment as specified in the invoice.
8. Sri Lanka Customs Shall release items stipulated in the **Schedule II** of the Gazette No. 2184/21 dated July 16, 2020, and its amendments, which are loaded on or before June 10, 2021, by charging appropriate penalty as specified in the Customs Ordinance. Further commercial bank shall release documents to the importer to clear such goods from Sri Lanka Customs and effect payment as specified in the invoice.
9. Operation Instructions No. 11/2020, No. 12/2020, No. 18/2020, No. 19/2020, No. 22/2020, No. 01/2021, and No. 06/2021 are hereby rescinded with immediate effect without prejudice to any action was done during its' validity period.

These instructions shall be implemented with immediate effect



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Controller General

**Enclosures:** Annex 1: Goods newly added to the Schedule I

Annex 2: Gazette Extraordinary No. 2231/18 dated June 11, 2021.

CC: The Governor, Central Bank of Sri Lanka: Grateful to issue specific Directions to all commercial banks to implement the above instructions.

## Goods newly added to the Schedule I

87.04			<b>Motor vehicles for the transport of goods.</b>	
		-	Special purpose tankers/browsers and trucks:	
	8704.21.11	----	Tankers / browsers with stainless steel tanks for transport of milk, not more than five years old	TS
	8704.22.00	--	g.v.w. exceeding 5 tonnes but not exceeding 20 tonnes :	
		---	Tankers and browsers with stainless steel tanks for transport of milk and refrigerated trucks :	
	8704.22.41	----	Not more than five years old	TS
	8704.22.42	----	More than five years old but less than ten years old	TS
	8704.23.00	--	g.v.w. exceeding 20 tonnes :	
		---	Tankers and browsers with stainless steel tanks for transport of milk and refrigerated trucks :	
	8704.23.51	----	Not more than five years old	TS
	8704.23.52	----	More than five years old but less than ten years old	TS
	8704.31.00	--	g.v.w. not exceeding 5 tonnes :	
		---	Special purpose tankers/browsers and trucks:	
	8704.31.11	----	Tankers / browsers with stainless steel tanks for transport of milk, not more than five years old	TS
	8704.32.00	--	g.v.w. exceeding 5 tonnes :	
		---	Tankers and browsers with stainless steel tanks for transport of milk and refrigerated trucks :	
	8704.32.41	----	Not more than five years old	TS
	8704.32.42	----	More than five years old but not more than ten years old	TS