NOTIFICATION OF CATEGORY A COMMITMENTS UNDER THE AGREEMENT ON TRADE FACILITATION

COMMUNICATION FROM THE PHILIPPINES

The following communication dated 31 July 2014 to the Preparatory Committee on Trade Facilitation is being circulated on behalf of the Philippines for Members’ information.

Pursuant to the Ministerial Decision of 7 December 2013 (WT/MIN(13)/36, WT/L/911), the Preparatory Committee on Trade Facilitation established under the General Council (hereinafter referred to as the “Preparatory Committee”) shall, inter alia, receive Members' notifications of Category A commitments under the Agreement on Trade Facilitation (hereinafter referred to as the “Agreement”).

With reference to the above, the Government of the Philippines has the honour to notify the Preparatory Committee that it designates the following provisions contained in Section I of the Agreement (annexed to the above-mentioned Ministerial Decision) under Category A:

Article 1.1 Publication
Article 1.2 Information Available Through Internet
Article 1.3 Enquiry Points
Article 1.4 Notification
Article 2.1 Opportunity to Comment and Information before Entry Into Force
Article 3 Advance Rulings
Article 4 Procedures for Appeal or Review
Article 5.2 Detention
Article 5.3 Test Procedures
Article 6.1 General Disciplines on Fees and Charges Imposed on or in Connection with Importation and Exportation
Article 6.2 Specific Disciplines on Fees and Charges for Customs Processing Imposed on or in Connection with Importation and Exportation
Article 6.3 Penalty Disciplines
Article 7.1 Pre-arrival processing
Article 7.3 Separation of Release from Final Determination of Customs Duties, Taxes, Fees, and Charges
Article 7.4 Risk Management
Article 7.6 Establishment and Publication of Average Release Times
Article 7.7 Trade Facilitation Measures for Authorized Operators
Article 7.8 Expedited Shipments
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