

PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED BY IMPORTERS OF DANGEROUS DRUGS AND EXEMPT PREPARATIONS UPON ARRIVAL OF THE IMPORTATION IN THE PHILIPPINES

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Pursuant to the powers vested in the Dangerous Drugs Board under Section 36 and (1) of RA 6425, as amended, the following procedures governing importation of dangerous drugs and/or exempt preparations are hereby prescribed:

SECTION 1. Arrival of the Importation — When any importation of dangerous drugs and/or exempt preparations reaches a Port of Entry under Philippine Customs control, it shall be the duty of the importer to: (1) notify the Dangerous Drugs Board of such arrival within three (3) working days from receipt of the Notice of Arrival thereof issued by Philippine Customs authorities and (2) furnish the Customs Narcotic Office with a copy of the said Notice of Arrival, a copy of the certificate of importation covering the shipment, a copy of the export permit issued by the government of the country of origin, and proof of payment of the S-7 Tax required by law.

SECTION 2. Release and Transfer of Importation to the Warehouse, Office, or Laboratory of the Importer — Upon clearance of the importation by the Customs authorities and upon completion of the transfer of the drugs or preparations to the importer's laboratory, office, or warehouse, the importer shall accordingly notify the Dangerous Drugs Board by telephone within twenty four (24) hours. The telephoned notification should be confirmed immediately thereafter by letter accompanied by a photocopy of the export permit issued by the government of the country of origin if no such copy was submitted as required in Section 1 hereof. When the Board is so notified, Drug Regulation Officers of the said Body shall proceed with the checking and verification of the shipment.

SECTION 3. Forms to be Utilized — For the purposes of Sections 1 and 2 hereof, the importer shall utilize DDB Form No. 1-83.

SECTION 4. Safety of the Dangerous Drugs and/or Exempt Preparations — The importer shall take all precautionary measures for the safe transportation of the dangerous drugs from the customs house to the importer's premises.

SECTION 5. This Regulation shall take effect immediately.

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