

OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS (IMPORT),
MUMBAI – III, AIR CARGO COMPLEX, SAHAR, ANDHERI (EAST),
MUMBAI – 400 099.

F. No. S/3-Misc-PRO- 134/2015-16 ACC (I)

Date: .02.2016

[Attention is invited by all Customs Brokers/BCHAA/Traders/stakeholders and others about the Draft Public Notice about clearance of imported consignments of diamonds, precious stones, precious metal (in any form), semi-precious stones, pearls, jewellery made of gold or any other precious metal with or without studding industrial diamonds including powders of both natural and synthetic and synthetic stones. You are requested to give your valuable comments/suggestions by 15/3/2016.]

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Subject : Clearance of imported consignments of diamonds, precious stones, precious metal (in any form), semi-precious stones, pearls, jewellery made of gold or any other precious metal with or without studding industrial diamonds including powders of both natural and synthetic and synthetic stones – reg.

Kind attention of all importers, exporters, members of trade and industry Associations, Customs Brokers, Customs Brokers Association, Airlines and others is drawn to **Public Notice No. 13/2010 dated 15.10.2010** issued vide F.No. AirCus/24-90/Admn.Tech by the Commissioner of Customs, C.S.I. Airport, Mumbai and **Public Notice No. 14/2012 dated 04.05.2012** ^{AB} and **Standing Order 11/2014 dated 08.10.2014** ^{AB} issued vide F.No. S/3-Misc-Pro-195/2010 ACC by the Addl. Commissioner of Customs (Import), Air Cargo Complex, Mumbai and **Public Notice No. 01/2014 dated 17.01.2014** ^{AB} issued vide F.No. S/3-Misc-PRO-596/2013-14 ACC by the Commissioner of Customs (Import), Air Cargo Complex, Mumbai regarding Customs Clearance facility at the premises of Bharat Diamond Bourse, Bandra Kurla Complex, Mumbai and the clearance of imported consignment of diamonds, precious stones, semi-precious stones, pearls, jewellery made of gold or any other precious metals with or without studding, Industrial diamonds including powders of both natural and synthetic and synthetic stones from the Air Cargo Complex, Mumbai, and Import of Gold and Gold Dore Bars – Procedure and Guidelines respectively. ^{AB}

2. In spite of the above instructions, instances have come to notice that consignments of precious metals are being cleared from ACC, Mumbai and trade has also represented the difficulties faced in clearance / transshipment of such consignments.

3. In view of the representations and difficulties faced by the trade, the whole procedure of clearance of imported consignment of diamonds, precious stones, precious metal (in any form), semi-precious stones, pearls, jewellery made of gold or any other precious metal with or without studding industrial diamonds including powders of both natural and synthetic and synthetic stones and Transshipment was examined and following instructions are being issued in supersession of all earlier instructions issued by this office:

i. Henceforth, import and clearance of imported consignments of diamonds, precious stones, precious metal (in any form, as defined in note 4 of Chapter 71 of Customs Tariff Act, 1975), semi-precious stones, pearls, jewellery made of gold or any other precious metal with or without studding, industrial diamonds including powders of both natural or synthetic and synthetic stones, except consignment of gold and gold dore bars as per Public Notice No. 1/2014 dated 17.01.2014 issued vide F.No. S/3-Misc-PRO-596/2013-14 by Commissioner of Customs (Import), Air Cargo Complex, Mumbai, will not be allowed from Air Cargo Complex, Sahar, Mumbai.

ii. The consignments shall be clearly declared in the Import Manifest as "Transshipment Cargo to the Bharat Diamond Bourse" and will be prepared on separate sheets annexed to IGM as required in the Import Manifest (Aircraft) Regulations, 1976. On arrival, the goods will be escorted by the Import Freight Officer (I.F.O.) to the strong room of M/s. MMTC, Air Cargo Complex, for safe Custody, pending transshipment to Bharat Diamond Bourse, BKC (PCCCC). The Import Freight Officer will verify details of the packages with the Import Manifest and note any short landing of the packages. The responsibility for the custody of the cargo including the transshipment will be of Bharat Diamond Bourse, BDB and will act as an agent of the airlines for receipt of parcels of Air Cargo Complex and transportation to PCCCC.

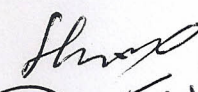
iii. Whenever a consignment of Precious Cargo arrives at Air Cargo Complex, Sahar, the importer should intimate the same to the AC/DC of the Transshipment Permit (T.P.) Cell. AC/DC will allow transshipment of Precious Cargo from Air Cargo Complex, Mumbai to PCCCC, BKC, Mumbai as per Public Notice No. 01/2015-16 dated 09.04.2015 issued by the Commissioner of Customs (General), ACC, Mumbai. All such consignments shall be transferred under preventive escort to Precious Cargo Customs Clearance Centre, for clearance.

iv. In spite of the above instructions, if Airline files an IGM and Console Agent/Importer/ Customs Broker files Bills of Entry, this will be viewed very seriously and these cases necessarily will be transferred to PCCCC after following the adjudication process and Transshipment process as mentioned in Para 2 above and in P.N. 13/2010 dated 15.10.2010, issued by the Commissioner of Customs, C.S.I. Airport, Mumbai.

4. Standing Order No. 11/2014 dated 08.10.2014 stands rescinded with issuance of this Public Notice.

5. Difficulties, if any, faced in the implementation of this Public Notice may be brought to the notice of the undersigned.

6. This issues with the approval of the Principal Commissioner of Customs (Import), ACC.


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Addl. Commissioner of Customs (Import)
Air Cargo Complex, Mumbai

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- 1) Chief Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai – III
- 2) Commissioner of Customs (Import), (Export), (General), ACC
- 3) All Addl/Jt Commissioners of Customs (Import), ACC