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## PUBLIC NOTICE ON PROVISION OF PRE-EXPORT VERIFICATION OF CONFORMITY (PVoC) TO STANDARDS

The Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS) is a statutory body established under the Standards Act, CAP 496, of the Laws of Kenya. KEBS is mandated to offer among other services, quality inspection of imports based on Kenya Standards or approved specifications.

Pre-export Verification of Conformity (PVoC) agents contracted by KEBS have been given a responsibility of ensuring that only goods which meet the requirements of Standards are issued with a Certificate of Conformity (CoC). In the past, agents have issued CoC for some goods that did not meet the requirements of the standards contrary to the contractual agreements.

KEBS has been reviewing the performance of the PVoC agents. In this regard, KEBS wishes to inform Importers and the General Public that as a result of the ongoing review and in the face of significant non-performance, KEBS has suspended the activities of the following companies in the zones indicated below:

- i. China Certification Inspection Group Company Limited (CCIC) – Zone 2 (China Mainland, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Mongolia).
- ii. SGS - Zone 4 (Far East – covering the following countries Japan, Korea South, North Korea, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Thailand, Singapore, Vietnam and Cambodia).

Importers are therefore advised to use the services of other PVoC agents operating in the zones affected by the suspension (please refer to the PVoC manual on [https://www.kebs.org/images/PvOC/PVOC-MANUAL\\_v7\\_1st-October-2018.pdf](https://www.kebs.org/images/PvOC/PVOC-MANUAL_v7_1st-October-2018.pdf)). These suspensions take effect as at **3<sup>rd</sup> October 2018** and have been instituted to enable affected companies put in place corrective measures. The suspensions shall be upheld until the corrective measures agreed with KEBS are fully implemented.

For further clarification, please contact KEBS on telephone +254 20 6948 423 / 456 / 439 / 000 or e-mail: [inspections@kebs.org](mailto:inspections@kebs.org).

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