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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO IMPORTERS OF USED/SECOND HAND MOTOR VEHICLES

Pursuant to the provision of KS 1515:2000 - Kenya Standard Code of Practice for Inspection of Road Vehicles, and Legal Notice No.78 of 28th April 2020; Verification of Conformity to Kenya Standards of Imports Order, we wish to notify all importers of used/second motor vehicles including returning residents, diplomatic staff and the general public that in observance of clause 2.5 of KS 1515:2000 on the 8 (eight) year age limit requirement in the standard, only **Right Hand Drive (RHD)** motor vehicles whose Year of First Registration is from **1st January 2014** and later shall be allowed into the country effective from **1st January 2021**.

Vehicles that are exported to Kenya shall be expected to comply with KS1515:2000 – Kenya Code of Practice for Inspection of Road Vehicles while vehicles from countries where KEBS has an inspection Agency (**Japan, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, Thailand, Singapore and South Africa**) shall be expected to be accompanied with a Certificate of Roadworthiness (CoR) issued by the Agencies appointed by KEBS

It is further clarified that Certificates of Roadworthiness for vehicles whose year of first registration is 2013 will **not** be valid after 31st December, 2020. All vehicles issued with such Certificates of Roadworthiness must have arrived at the Port of Destination/ Ports of Entry points by 31st December 2020. **Any 2013 Vehicle registered in 2013 arriving after 31st December 2020 will be deemed not to comply with KS1515:2000 and shall be rejected at the importer's expense.**

NOTE: KEBS has received petitions that COVID 19 pandemic might have affected some importers due to disruption of shipping schedules. KEBS therefore wishes to inform such importers to lodge all the necessary supporting documents to prove the impact of COVID 19 to their shipment before a waiver can be considered. Such documentation should be received not later than 28th December 2020. This only applies to vehicles that had been purchased, inspected and issued with a Certificate of Roadworthiness on or before 1st of December 2020 and which are likely to arrive into the country after the cut-off date of 31st December, 2020.

Importers are therefore advised to take necessary measures and comply with the requirements to avoid rejection of their 2013 motor vehicles.

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