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Sub.: Implementation of software Module for Transshipment of

Cargo from Port to ICDs Reg.

Attention of all the Importers, Custom House Agent (CHA), Steamer/Shipping Agents (SA)/Shipping Lines (SL), Custodians of imported goods, officers of Customs and all others concerned is drawn to PN No.37/2004 dated 08.07.2004 and PN No.43/2004 dated 13.08.2004 regarding automation of transshipment procedure. Attention is also drawn to PN No.46/2002 dated 02.08.2002 and PN No.48/2002 dated 02.08.2002, wherein computerized filing and processing of the IGMs under ICES has been introduced.

2. In partial modification of the above referred PN No.37/2004 dated 08.07.2004 and PN No.43/2004 dated 13.08.2004, it has been decided to do away with the requirement of filing a separate application for transshipment. This has been done with

a view to facilitate the shipping lines and to reduce instances which require their physical visit to the Custom House.

- 3. Accordingly the necessary changes have been made in the existing software Module and the SMTP portion of the IGM itself will be treated as request for transshipment and there will not be any need for filing a separate application for transshipment provided the following conditions are satisfied:-
 - (i) the field relating to the port of destination is duly filled in and its value is different than the port of discharge
 - (ii) the Bond value is calculated on the basis of the size of the container and not on the basis of Invoice value of the cargo contained in such containers. (In this case the bond amount would be calculated by the system on the default value linked to the size of containers which is picked up with reference to the ISO codes declared in the IGM. The option to calculate the bond amount on the basis of invoice value of cargo will not be available under this procedure as the invoice value is not available in the IGM)
 - (iii) transshipment fee is paid through a PLA being maintained by the Shipping Agent.
 - (iv) The agency transporting the containers to the destination ICDs is duly registered with the Customs House and a carrier code is allotted to it.
- 4. Three new fields are being introduced in Cargo Line information (Message 1B-SACHI02) as the information is not available in IGMs but is required for transshipment purposes. The three new fields are Bond registration number, Carrier Agency Code and

Mode of Transport. All the three parameters are mandatory. The Bond Registration Number would be used for auto debiting purpose. The bond may be of Shipping Agent, who has filed the IGM or of the third party, namely Carrier Agency. The field Carrier Agency Code is added to capure the actual carrier of the transshipped containers to the destination ICDs. The field Mode of Transport will be used to capture the mode by which the transshipped containers would be transported to the destination ICDs.

- 5. Consequential changes have also been made in message relating to **Request for Transshipment** i.e. message No. SACHI16 (Message No.11).
- 6. Normally there will not be any need to file any separate application for transshipment. However the request for transshipment will be required only in the following circumstances:-
 - (i) the applicant is other than Shipping Agent, namely, CHA, importer and MLO.
 - (ii) the bond value is desired to be calculated on the basis of invoice value, instead of the default method based on number of containers and container size.
 - (iii) the TP fee is to be paid through Revenue Stamps or Challan.
 - (iv) the transshipment is not requested at the time of filing of IGM.
- 7. All the procedure outlined in PN referred to above would continue to be followed in such cases where application for transshipment is filed. Copies of the revised formats of Message Nos. 1 B and 11 are enclosed herewith which may be used for filing IGMs.

- 8. The contents of this Public Notice may be given vide publicity and brought to the notice of all member of your association /organization.
- 9. This Public Notice will be effective from 06.02.2006.

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