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**Sub: -Customs Clearance on thebasis of self-certified Copies of PTA/FTA certificates in case of DPD/AEO Clients– Reg.**

Attention of all the Importers, Exporters, Customs Brokers, and the members of the Trade is invited to the Public Notice No.128/2016 dated 26.09.2016 issued by JNCH, with reference to Board's Instruction No. 31/2016-Customs dated 12.09.2016 wherein the Board has clarified rules regarding rules of Origin under Free/Preferential Trade Agreements and the verification of referential Certificates of Origin.

2. Representations from the trade have been received stating delay in obtaining original PTA/FTA certificates from the overseas suppliers. In this regard, they have requested for Custom Clearance on the basis of self-certified copies of these Preferential Trade Agreement/Free Trade Agreement certificates.

3. After careful consideration of the above requests, as a measure of Trade facilitation and with a view to reduce dwell time and transaction cost to the importer, it has been decided in case of DPD/AEO clients of this Custom House that, they can submit a self-certified copy (by importer) of the PTA/FTA certificate at the time of clearance of the goods and shall submit the Original certificate within 15 days of Clearance of goods.

4. The importer will be required to obtain a serial Number on the self-certified copy of the PTA/FTA certificate from the concerned group. The concerned Group shall allot a serial number from the register maintained for this purpose apart from verifying the seal and signature on the said certificate. Based on the self-certified copy of the PTA/FTA certificate, Assessment/Out of charge will be done.

5. It will be the responsibility of the importer to submit the original PTA/FTA certificate within the stipulated time period, failing which, a demand notice to the Importer will be issued by the concerned Group and further action will be initiated as per the provisions of the Customs Act 1962.

5. Difficulties, if any; faced in implementation of these instructions may be brought to the notice of the undersigned.

Sd/-

(SHRAWAN KUMAR)

**COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS, NS-III**

**Copy to:**

- 1. The Pr. Chief Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai Zone-II**
- 2. The Pr. Commissioner/All the Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai Zone-II**
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- 6. The Superintendent, Boarding office, JNCH**
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