



CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DIVISION

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March 15, 2022

Mr. Suresh Maharaj
President
The Custom Brokers & Customs Brokers' Association
PO Box 1955,
22-24 St Vincent Street,
Port of Spain.

Dear Mr Maharaj,

Re: Returning Nationals Adversely affected by the closure of the Air and Sea Borders

This is to advise that as a result of a policy decision taken by the Minister of Finance and agreed to by the Cabinet, consideration is being given to such affected individuals who were forced to remain in Trinidad and Tobago on temporary stays, in excess of the stipulated three (3) months rendering them ineligible for tax concession on vehicles and household effects

Cabinet has approved the remission of Custom Duty and Value Added Tax on Household Effects not exceeding a CIF Value of \$250,000TT which accompany a Returning National adversely affected by the closure of the Air and Sea Ports over the period March 23, 2020 to July 16, 2021. Please note that the authority for this remission should be Cabinet Minute No. 1739-2021/10/20 and not the Second Schedule with respect to the c84 declaration. This is to be allowed by Collector EPU and Collector Southern Districts.

With respect to the importation of a Motor Vehicle the request for a remission of taxes must be made to the Minister of Finance who has the delegated authority to grant a remission of taxes on a motor vehicle to an adversely affected individual due to closure of the borders.

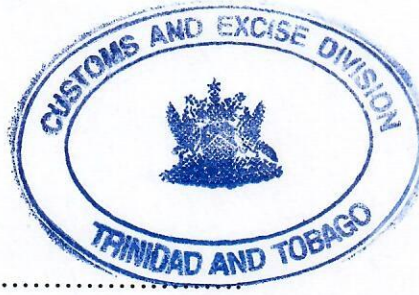
The following documents are required to be submitted:

- i. Letter addressed to the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Finance outlining their circumstances and requesting the Duty and Tax Concessions on the motor vehicle;
- ii. Traffic Index (Travel Pattern Document) as issued by the Ministry of National Security (Immigration Division);

- iii. Import Licence issued by the Ministry of Trade and Industry for the Vehicle vehicles;
- iv. Certificate showing proof of ownership/title for the vehicle;
- v. C82 Customs Declaration forms with supporting worksheets, showing the CIF value and the duty and tax liabilities attached to the motor vehicle.

Please be guided accordingly.

Respectfully,




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/f/ Comptroller of Customs and Excise (Ag)

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