Decree of the Minister of Finance No. 222 for the year 2021

Minister of Finance:

- Following the perusal of Law No.118 for the year 1975 regarding import and export and its executive regulation;
- The Maritime Trade Law issued by Law No.8 for the year 1990;
- The Commercial Law issued by Law No.17 for the year 1999;
- The Law promulgating the regulation of electronic signature and establishing the Information Technology Industry Development Agency (ITIDA) issued by Law No.15 for the year 2004 and its executive regulation;
- The Investment Law issued by Law No.72 for the year 2017 and its executive regulation;
- The Customs Law issued by Law No.207 for the year 2020;
- The Prime Ministerial Decree No. 20 for the year 2019 and
- The Decree of the Minister of Finance No.38 for the year 2021 regarding the Advance Cargo Information (ACI).

Decided: (Article One)

The controls and regulations that should be adhered to as a second phase of the ACI system shall be determined as follows:

- 1- The foreign exporter or producer shall send the data and documents of the shipment electronically (the commercial invoice, the loading list, the bill of lading and so on) where the Advance Cargo Information Declaration (ACID) shall be affixed thereon to Nafeza Platform through the secured and accredited platform by the competent authorities, Blockchain.
- 2- The Carrier at the export port or his representative shall send a list including all shipments that shall be exported to the Arab Republic of Egypt in an electronic form during a period not exceeding (24) hours from the time the vessel departs from the port of export provided that the data shall include the number of the bill of lading, the ACID number, the exporter's identification number and the importer's identification number.

- 3- The electronic list including all shipments to be exported to the Arab Republic of Egypt shall be received on the Nafeza platform for verification of the soundness of all its data and sending the verification results (positive or negative) automatically and electronically to the carrier or his representative.
- 4- The importer or his agent of customs clearance agents shall be notified electronically through the Nafeza platform of receipt of the data or the documents of the shipments through the Blockchain platform mentioned in Item One of this Article.
- 5- The importer or his agent of customs clearance agents shall enter the Nafeza platform and peruse the shipment file with the ACID and ratify the shipment documents by using the electronic signature.
- 6- The data of the commercial invoice shall be sent in an electronic form to clarify the contents of the shipment mainly the data of the types including the international code for each type (standard numbering system (GS1) or any other standard international numbering system) and in case of the non-existence of the international code for any GS1 item, the part number shall be determined according to the nature of the inbound item.
- 7- The importer or his agent of customs clearance agent may commence the customs procedures under the advance clearance system through the Nafeza platform in case they wish to do so.
- 8- The remaining set procedures for clearance of the shipment shall be continued through Nafeza platform according to the provisions of the mentioned Customs Law.

(Article Two)

This decree shall be published in the Egyptian Gazette and shall come into force pursuant to the provisions of Article Four of the mentioned Decree of the Minister of Finance No.38 for the year 2021.

Minister of Finance

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