Instructions of the Director General of the Customs Authority No. (20) for the year 2022

Based upon what has been approved by the doctor/ the Minister of Finance on 24/2/2022 on the memorandum No.507 /z dated 2/2/2022 regarding the public warehousing that has been licensed to be established as well as those licensed to be renewed inside the customs circuits of the ports during the validity of the Customs Law No.66 for the year 1963 which has been cancelled. In light of the Customs Law promulgated by Law No.207 for the year 2020 which has included within its provisions the non-authorization of the construction of new warehouses inside ports and only granted licenses in the field of warehousing to be temporary warehouses / stores - to fulfill the purpose of having ports as only transit gates for cargoes and not storage locations.

All competent customs affairs administrations at the three customs zones shall commit to the following:

- (1) Address notices to the licensed entities and companies to the warehousing system inside ports advising of their non-renewal according to the warehousing system without prejudice to the right of these entities and companies to request to adapt in order to comply according to the temporary customs warehousing system within the grace period of three months of the date of expiry of the duration of its license.
- (2) For warehouses established inside ports where the licensed person has applied requesting a period for adapting in order to comply according to the temporary warehousing system during the validity period of its license or during the grace period granted by virtue of Article One, the licensing procedures under temporary customs warehousing system shall be carried out without the need to submit same for approval to commence the procedures while continuing to operate under its current licensing until the license decision is issued under the temporary customs warehousing system.

The tobacco warehouses located inside the ports' customs circuits shall be excluded from these instructions as they are warehouses specialized in storage of cargoes for a period not exceeding two years starting of the date of storage upon import according to what has been included in the provisions of Article 113 of the Executive Regulations of the Customs Law promulgated by the Decree of the Minister of Finance No.430 for the year 2021.

These instructions shall be minutely implemented to avoid being held responsible.

Director General of the Customs Authority

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