Instructions of the Director General of the Customs Authority No. (70) for the year 2022

Within the framework of the continuation of the Customs Authority to take the necessary Customs procedures to protect the Intellectual Property Copyrights and in light of the complaint submitted before the General Secretariat of the Cabinet Ministers by Maddock & Bright IP Law Office – representative of the Japanese company, Chemical Agro Europe, one of the companies of Sumitomo group headquartered in Japan. The mentioned company had sustained damages as a result of some Egyptian companies producing, manufacturing and re-packing chemical products that contain Thiram substance which is prohibited from use and banned internationally under the company's trade name given the damages this substance cause to the public health and the environment.

The following shall be considered:

The competent Customs Administrations shall commit to place any chemical products to be imported under reserve that contain the Thiram substance Thiram substance which is prohibited from use and banned internationally under the trade name of Chemical Agro Europe, one of the companies of Sumitomo group headquartered in Japan. The Intellectual Property Copyrights Administration at the Customs Authority shall be notified to undertake notifying the aforementioned company to take the stipulated legal procedures pursuant to the Executive Regulations of the Customs Law in respect of the protection of the Intellectual Property Copyrights to complete the reserve procedure on the said consignment.

These instructions shall be implemented thoroughly to avoid being held liable.

Kind regards,

Director General of the Customs Authority

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