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Mr. César Augusto Llona Silva
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Ministry of Foreign Trade and Tourism of Peru

Dear Mr. César Augusto Llona Silva,

**Issuance of Certificates of Non-manipulation for Goods from
the Chinese Mainland to Peru via Hong Kong, China under
the China-Peru Free Trade Agreement**

I would like to explore partnership opportunity with the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Tourism of Peru on matters relating to our Free Trade Agreement Transshipment Facilitation Scheme (FTA Scheme).

Hong Kong Customs has been administering the FTA Scheme since 20 December 2015. The Scheme facilitates transshipment cargoes passing through Hong Kong, China to receive preferential tariff treatment as direct consignments under trade agreements between the Chinese Mainland and its trading partners, including Peru. To qualify for those tariff concessions, goods transported through Hong Kong, China must not undergo further processing during their stay in Hong Kong, China and/or must remain under the control of Hong Kong Customs. Hong Kong Customs provides customs supervision services and issues Certificates of Non-manipulation (CNMs) as proof of compliance.

Owing to the rising demand from traders wanting to benefit from the China-Peru Free Trade Agreement, Hong Kong Customs currently issues CNMs for northbound transshipment cargoes from Peru to the Chinese Mainland via Hong Kong, China. To better serve traders, Hong Kong Customs is considering extending our service to southbound transshipment cargoes from the Chinese Mainland to Peru via Hong Kong, China.

Modelling on the existing application principles enclosed, Hong Kong Customs would like to propose a reciprocal application principle of CNM for transshipment cargoes from the Chinese Mainland to Peru via Hong Kong, China.

I appreciate your views on the proposed arrangement or matters that you wish us to take into consideration. Subject to confirmation from your side, we propose to implement the new arrangement according to the agreed terms **with effect from 12 January 2026**.

I wish this arrangement would add impetus into the trade and create more business opportunities amongst Peru, the Chinese Mainland, and Hong Kong, China. We look forward to our fruitful cooperation in the years to come.

Yours sincerely,



(LAU Leung-chi)

Head of Ports and Maritime Command
for Commissioner of Customs and Excise

Enclosure:

1. The Ministry of Foreign Trade and Tourism of the Republic of Peru and the Customs and Excise Department of Hong Kong, China facilitating trade on direct transport of goods from the Chinese Mainland to Peru via Hong Kong, China under the China-Peru Free Trade Agreement
2. Modes of Transshipment Cargoes passing through Hong Kong, China and Criteria for the Issuance of Certificate of Non-manipulation under the China-Peru Free Trade Agreement (CPFTA)

APPENDIX

THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE AND TOURISM OF THE REPUBLIC OF PERU AND THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DEPARTMENT OF HONG KONG, CHINA FACILITATING TRADE ON DIRECT TRANSPORT OF GOODS FROM THE CHINESE MAINLAND TO PERU VIA HONG KONG, CHINA UNDER THE CHINA-PERU FREE TRADE AGREEMENT

To facilitate trade through Hong Kong, China, the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Tourism of the Republic of Peru (“MINCETUR”) and the Customs and Excise Department of Hong Kong, China (“Hong Kong Customs”) will strengthen cooperation through recognising Certificates of Non-manipulation issued by Hong Kong Customs, on originating goods shipped from Chinese Mainland to Peru via Hong Kong, China, in accordance with the Rules of Origin under the China-Peru Free Trade Agreement (CPFTA).

Certificate of Non-manipulation

1. Pursuant to Chapter 3 “Rules of origin and operational procedures related to Origin”, Article 36 “Direct Transport” of the CPFTA, Hong Kong Customs agrees to discharge responsibilities as an issuing authority of Certificate of Non-manipulation for originating goods transported from Chinese Mainland to Peru via Hong Kong, China.
2. MINCETUR agrees for Hong Kong Customs to issue Certificate of Non-manipulation for originating goods which are transported from Chinese Mainland to Peru via Hong Kong, China in accordance with the Annex.
3. MINCETUR and Hong Kong Customs agree that the CPFTA and the scenarios listed in Paragraph 1 and the Annex respectively are not exhaustive. MINCETUR and Hong Kong Customs may mutually agree to include new Free Trade Agreements and new scenarios.

Cooperation for Free Trade Agreement Transshipment Facilitation Scheme (FTA Scheme) Implementation

4. The Free Trade Agreement Transshipment Facilitation Scheme (FTA Scheme) administered by Hong Kong Customs provides the service of issuing of a Certificate of Non-manipulation

to certify that originating goods transported from Chinese Mainland to Peru via Hong Kong, China have not been undergone any operation during their stay in Hong Kong, China other than unloading and reloading, repacking, or any operation required to keep them in good condition in accordance with the CPFTA.

5. MINCETUR and Hong Kong Customs will cooperate on matters relating to verification of FTA Scheme implementation status and verification of Certificates of Non-manipulation issued by Hong Kong Customs to cover originating goods which are transported from Chinese Mainland to Peru via Hong Kong, China.

ANNEX

**Modes of Transshipment Cargoes passing through Hong Kong, China and
Criteria for the Issuance of Certificate of Non-manipulation under
the China-Peru Free Trade Agreement (CPFTA)**

Description	Mode	Cargo Type	Require a Certificate of Non-manipulation from Hong Kong Customs
Able to provide Single Through Bill of Lading ¹	I	Containerized Cargo & Bulk Cargo	✗
Not able to provide Single Through Bill of Lading	II	Containerized Cargo ²	✓
	III	Bulk Cargo ³	
Cargo consolidation ¹ / vanning/ devanning/ repacking in Hong Kong	IV	Containerized Cargo & Bulk Cargo	✓ + Customs Supervision

✓ Application is required

✗ Application is not required

Remarks:

1. The Single Through Bill of Lading means a bill of lading (including Air Waybill) issued with detailed information of the shipment, including transportation details, port/place of departure and destination, description and quantity of the cargo, etc. showing on a single set of bills of lading. Hong Kong Customs will also issue a Certificate of Non-manipulation upon an applicant's request mainly when the originating good have been stored in Hong Kong, China.
2. Able to provide Through Bills of Lading which can prove that the container number and seal number of the container remain unchanged during its whole transportation journey.
3. Able to provide Through Bills of Lading which can prove that the description of goods, number of packages and weight remain unchanged during its whole transportation journey.

1 Operations allowed in Hong Kong, China are unloading, reloading, repacking or any operation required to keep them in good condition, in accordance with the article of direct transport of the CPFTA.