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2. Cochin Custom Brokers Association
3. All CFSSs, Cochin
4. Cochin Shipping Agents Association
5. All Trade Associations, Cochin
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**Subject: Installation of Drive Through Container Scanner (Road) at ICTT
Vallarpadom, Cochin -draft SOP- reg**

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With reference to the subject above, a draft SOP has been prepared by this Custom House for Drive through Container Scanner at ICTT, Vallarpadam, Cochin. A copy of the draft SOP is being forwarded for offer your comments if any on or before 10.09.2018 for finalisation.

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DRAFT SOP

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**Subject: Installation of Container Scanner (Road) & Scanning of
Import Containers passing through Cochin Sea Port: -
Regarding.**

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The importer, Exporters, General Trade, Port Terminal Operators, Shipping Lines, Shipping Agents, Container Freight Stations and Customs Brokers coming under the jurisdiction of Custom House, Cochin, Vessel operators/Non-vessel Operating Common Carriers/ Inland Container Depots and all other stakeholders concerned are hereby informed that Drive through X-ray based Container Scanner (Road) facility is to be launched shortly at ICTT, Vallarpadam, Cochin and scanning of selected import containers will commence. The effective date of commencement of container scanning facility will be intimated shortly.

2. **Container Scanning Division:** - For the purpose, Container Scanning Division (CSD) headed by Deputy/ Assistant Commissioner of Customs (CSD) will be created and will function from ICTT, Vallarpadam, Cochin.

3. **Location of Container Scanner Division:** - The Drive through X-Ray Based Container Scanner(Road) facility is situated in India Gateway Terminal Pvt. Ltd, ICTT Vallarpadam SEZ, Mulavukadu Village, Ernakulam, Kerala-682504.

4. **Movement of containers selected for scanning:-**

(i) The containers which are to be scanned will be selected by the Container Scanning Module (CSM) of the Risk Management Centre of Customs (RMCC) from IGM data fed into the system. The intimation of selection will be communicated automatically to the Terminal Operators, Liners, Custodians of CFS, DC/AC of CFSs and the Container Scanner Division by e-mail. The DC/AC of CFSs shall forward the selected container lists to the Docks Examination Officers posted at CFS.

(ii) The Terminal Operator shall be responsible to ensure that the containers selected for scanning are brought to the notice of Bubble Gate Preventive Officer by making endorsement "Selected for scanning"- in RED COLOUR in the EIR copy of such selected containers. If the EIR copy of any such selected container reporting at Bubble Gate is not marked as detailed above, then the

Terminal Operators will be liable for penal action under the provisions of Customs Act, 1962, read with Handling of cargo in Customs Area Regulations, 2009.

(iii) Thereafter, the selected containers shall be transported from the Bubble Gate to the Container Scanning Division for scanning by the Custodian.

(iv) The custodian of CFS shall ensure that the container selected for scanning does not reach CFS before scanning at the Container Scanning Division. If any such selected container report at the CFS before scanning, the same shall be forth with send back for scanning, failing which the custodian of CFS will be liable for penal action under the provisions of Customs Act, 1962, read with Handling of cargo in Customs Area Regulations, 2009

5. Procedure to be followed in Container Scanner Division:-

5.1 On arrival of the selected container at the CONTAINER SCANNING DIVISION the Sentry at the entry gate will verify that the EIR is for "scanning" and will allow the trailer for check in. The OCR will note the container no/trailer no and send the image to the monitor of the scanning officer. The officer on cross checking the same with the list of selected container will scan the container.

5.2 On completion of scanning of the selected containers at the Container Scanning facility, the officers of the Container Scanning Division will endorse the following comments on the face of EIR document as the case may be :

(a) if the image of the scanned container is found to be clean the the "SCANNED CLEAN" in BLUE INK shall be affixed on the reverse of the EIR document and print out of the scanned image will be handed over to the Lorry Driver/ helper/CHA.

(b) if the image of the scanned container is found to be suspicious then the "SCANNED MISMATCH" in RED INK shall be affixed on the reverse of the EIR document and print out of the scanned image will be handed over to the Lorry Driver/ helper/CHA. Thereafter such containers will be moved for examination by the Dock examination officers at the CFS.

(c) In case of Odd Dimensional Containers (ODC), the CSD Officer shall endorse the EIR as "NOT SCANNED DUE TO ODC" stamp on the EIR document.

5.3 Reefer (refrigerated) and DPD containers shall be scanned on priority basis as per procedures mentioned above.

5.4 In case the containers selected for scanning could not be scanned due to non functioning of the scanner or for any other reasons, the Superintendent

CSD, shall inform the same to DC/AC (CSD). The DC/AC (CSD) in turn will decide whether to release the containers without scanning and only regular examination procedure or to hold the said containers.

5.5 If the DC/AC (CSD) order for release of such containers, then the CSD officer shall feed the container number in the system and the EIR document of each container shall be endorsed with stamp "NOT SCANNED DUE TO ' on the reverse.

5.6 After completion of scanning of selected containers at the Container Scanning Division, the said containers shall be moved to the respective CFS by the custodians of the said CFSs. The custodians of the said CFSs should ensure that all such containers which are selected for scanning should have the endorsement "SCANNED" on the EIR copy along with hard copy of the scanned image.

5.7 If scanning list could not be generated, then up to 10 % RMS containers will be selected by ADC/JC (CSD) and only these containers will be scanned.

5.8 No container shall be examined at the Container Scanning Division. But in case of suspected cargo which is threat to national security like arms and ammunition, explosives etc found on scanning, such containers shall be hold by CSD and it shall be moved to the isolated designated area inside D.P. World for examination and further action.

6. DPD facilitated containers Selected for Scanning:-

(i) The Terminal operators are required to ensure that the DPD facilitated importers on their Custom Brokers are informed regarding selection of their container for scanning as soon as they receive the communication in this regard by e-mail.

(ii) On receipt of request from the Importer/Customs Broker, the terminal operator shall facilitate movement of these containers to the Container Scanner Division for scanning. The Terminal operator should also ensure that in cases where there are multiple containers in a single line number, only the container selected for scanning be loaded for scanning and other containers be released only if "SCANNED CLEAN" report received in respect of already selected containers.

(iii) Containers selected for scanning, if marked "SCANNED CLEAN" on EIR copy by CSD, the terminal operator shall allow delivery of all other containers in the Bills of Entry. If the containers selected for scanning are marked "SCANNED MISMATCH" by CSD, the terminal operator shall move the

mismatched containers to Designated CFS for examination. The AC/DC of the designated CFS shall endorse on the hard copy of the B/entry "OOC temporarily suspended for examination".

- a) After such examination, in case no discrepancy is found during examination, then the container shall be released on the basis of OOC already given after writing the remark on the hard copy of B/E "OOC already given in the system restored" and examination report also be endorsed on the hard copy of the B/E.
 - b) However in case of any discrepancies found during examination, then such report to be noted by the Dock Officer on the hard copy of Bill of Entry and document to be sent to DC/EDI for cancellation of OOC and for further necessary action by concerned group. It has to be ensured by Docks officer that such container not allowed to move out of CFS until the decision is taken by concerned group in the matter.
 - c) In case there is more than one container in the Bill of Entry and If the container "SCANNED MISMATCH" on examination found to contain any discrepancy, the rest of the container in BOE shall not be allowed clearance till further suitable orders.
- (iv) If scanning list could not be generated, then up to 15% DPD containers will be selected by ADC/JC (CSD) and only these containers will be scanned.

7. Procedure to be followed post scanning:-

7.1 The Custodians of CFS shall provide the copy of EIR document duly marked by the container scanning facility officers for each container along with the print out of the scanned image to the respective customs broker and reflect the same in the Seal Cutting Document raised by them.

7.2. The following examination norms shall be adopted for scanned containers at the respective CFS:

- (a) Containers with stamp "SCANNED CLEAN" on EIR: The Docks Examination Officers shall clear these containers as per normal Customs clearance/examination procedures.
- (b) Containers with stamp "SCANNED MISMATCH" on EIR : The Docks Examination Officers will examine such container after verifying the scanned image. The results of examination of these containers shall be communicated by DC/AC (Docks Examination) to the DC/AC (Container Scanning Division).
- (c) Container with stamp "NOT SCANNED" on EIR : Such containers shall be examined by the Docks Examination Officers as per normal Customs clearance/examination procedures. The results of examination

of these containers shall be communicated by DC/AC (Docks Examination) to the DC/AC (Container Scanning Division).

7.3 If a container is not selected in the first scanning list for a particular IGM but gets selected after reaching the concerned CFS on the basis of any amendment subsequently filed for that particular IGM, then such container shall be brought back for scanning to the Container Scanning Facility prior to giving Out of Charge with the seal intact. Alternatively, DC/AC (Docks) may grant NOC from scanning but shall order for necessary examination at the respective CFS.

7.4 The Terminal Operator should send a report to CSD on the first working day of the week furnishing the details of the containers selected for scanning and lying in port for more than 15 days for clearance.

8. Difficulty faced, if any, may be brought to the notice of the undersigned.

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