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Traders and Declaring Agents

Dear Sir/Madam

IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW ZEALAND-SINGAPORE MUTUAL RECOGNITION ARRANGEMENT

To further our efforts to enhance global supply chain security and facilitate the movement of legitimate goods, the New Zealand-Singapore Mutual Recognition Arrangement (MRA) on Authorised Economic Operator (AEO) has been signed and will be operational with effect from 1 August 2019.

2 Under this MRA, Secure Trade Partnership (STP) companies certified by Singapore Customs as having robust security practices and lower risks can now look forward to facilitated customs clearance for their goods exported to New Zealand. Likewise, New Zealand companies certified by the New Zealand Customs Service under the Secure Exports Scheme (SES), will enjoy similar facilitation for their goods exported to Singapore.

Exporting to or Importing from New Zealand Secure Export Scheme (SES) companies

3 For Singapore companies who are exporting to or importing from SES companies, please obtain the SES code from your New Zealand business partner (a SES company) and declare it in the TradeNet® export or import declaration as follows:

Declaration Field	Information to be declared
Customs Procedure Code (CPC)	AEO
Processing Code 1 (PC 1)	NZ
Processing Code 2 (PC 2)	XXXX (SES code)

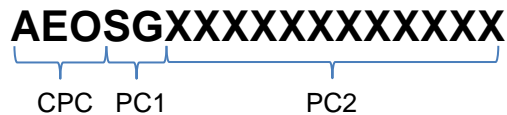
STP-Plus Companies Exporting to or Importing from New Zealand

4 For STP-Plus companies who are exporting to New Zealand companies, your AEO status would be automatically recognised by New Zealand Customs Service when your business partner in New Zealand lodges a permit declaration and declares your company as the supplier. For STP-Plus companies who are importing from New Zealand companies, please provide your STP code to your business partner in New Zealand. Your business partner in New Zealand need not be a SES company.

Domestic facilitation clearance for STP-Plus and STP importers and exporters

5 To enjoy a higher level of facilitated clearance in Singapore, STP-Plus and STP importers and exporters are reminded to declare their STP Code in the TradeNet@ import and export declarations as illustrated below.

The STP Code comes in the following format:



Declaration Field	Information to be declared
Customs Procedure Code (CPC)	AEO
Processing Code 1 (PC 1)	SG
Processing Code 2 (PC 2)	XXXXXXXXXXXX (AEO Number)

Clarifications

6 If you require further clarifications, please email your enquiries to us at customs_schemes@customs.gov.sg for assistance.

Yours faithfully,

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for Director-General of Customs
Singapore Customs
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