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Ministry of Industry and Commerce

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Notification
On Prohibited Goods on Import or Export

To: Chiefs of Provincial and Vientiane Capital Offices of the Industry and Commerce throughout the country and all concerned parties

- Pursuant to Prime Minister's Decree on the Organization and Activities of the Ministry of Industry and Commerce No. 188/PM, dated 17 August 2006;
- Pursuant to Prime Minister's Decree on the Goods Import Licensing Procedures No. 180/PM, dated 07 July 2009; and
- Pursuant to Government's Decree on the Import and Export of Goods No. 114/GoL, dated 6 April 2011.

The Minister of the Ministry of Industry and Commerce hereby issues the following notification:

- I. Prohibited Goods on import or export are types of goods subject to prohibition to import and export pursuant to measures for the protection of national security; public order; public morals; human, animal or plant life or health; national treasures or natural resources or for compliance with treaties to which Lao PDR is a party. List of prohibited goods on import and export are specified in Annex 1 hereof.
- II. Goods which are in the list of prohibited goods on import or export may not be imported or exported unless otherwise authorized by the Government of Lao PDR on a case by case basis. In case the import or export of such goods is necessary, importer or exporter may file an application along with documents justifying such necessity to the relevant authority as specified in Annex 1 hereof for consideration and recommendation to get approval from the Government of Lao PDR. With regard to procedures and application documentation, the regulations of relevant authorities shall apply.
- III. Provincial and Vientiane Capital Office of the Industry and Commerce, other relevant authorities and all concerned parties shall strictly comply with this Notification.
- IV. This Notification is effective after 30 days of its date of signature and replaces Notification No. 2151/MoIC.DIMEX, dated 30 October 2009. Any notifications or provisions which are incompatible with this Notification shall be hereby repealed.

Minister
Of the Ministry of Industry and Commerce,
[Signed and sealed]
Dr. Nam Viyaketh

Annex I: Prohibited Goods on Import or Export

1. Prohibited Goods on import

No.	HS Code	Goods	Purpose	Regulation	Supervising authority
1.	NA	Chemicals of high-level danger used in industries	For protection of health, safety of human and environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ At present the governing regulation is being drafted and expected to be issued by March 2011. ▪ Decree on Import and Export of Goods No. 114/GoL dated 6 April 2011. 	Ministry of Industry and Commerce (Industry Department)
2.	8710.00.00 9301 9302.00.00 9306	Bullets and weapons of all kinds (except for explosives used in industries) and war vehicles	For public order and national security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Articles 76 & 77 of Criminal Law No. 12/NA, dated 09 November 2005. ▪ Prime Minister's Decision on the Control and Use of Explosives in Lao PDR No. 39/PM, dated 12/7/2001. 	Ministry of National Defense (Advisory Major Department)
3.	1211.40.00 1211.30 1211.90.12 1207.91.00 1302.11 2939.11.00 2939.19.00 2939.91.10	Opium Opium balls, poppy seeds Opium poppies, other finished and dried opium poppies made from coco leaves, marihuana in various forms, cocaine and their derivatives	For public order and national security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Article 146 of Criminal Law No. 12/NA, dated 09 November 2005. ▪ Law on Narcotic Drugs. ▪ Decree implementing Law on Narcotic Drugs No. 076/PM, dated 20/2/2009. 	Ministry of Public Security (Narcotic Drug Control Police) Prime Minister's Office (Narcotic Drug Control and Inspection Authority)
4.	NA	Destructive fishing tools	For sustainable conservation of aquatic fauna and environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Fisheries Law. 	Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (Department of Livestock and Fishery)

5.	NA	Pornographic medias / materials	For protection of fine tradition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Law on Printings No. 05/NA, dated 9 December 2008. 	Ministry of Information and Culture (Media Department)
6.	3215.19.00 4802.62.90 8443.19.00 8454.30.00	Banknote paper, banknote ink, banknote printer and coin making machine	For financial stability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Article 4 scope of rights of banks, Law on Bank of Lao PDR No. 05/NA. dated 14 /10/1999. 	Bank of Lao PDR (Stock-Monetary Department)

2. Prohibited Goods on export

No.	HS Code	Goods	Purpose	Regulation	Supervising authority
1.	9705.00.00 9706.00.00	Archeological objects including Buddha statues, angel statues and holy objects, national heritages with historical and cultural values of 50 years old or older.	For protection of national artistic and cultural heritage “protection of valuable national artistic, historical and archeological heritage” in compliance with Article XX (f) of GATT 1994.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Article 15 of Customs Law. ▪ National Heritage Law. ▪ Article 2 Edict on Preservation of National cultural, historical and natural heritage. 	Ministry of Information and Culture (Heritage Department)
2.	2834	Bat guano / manure	For protection of natural resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Article 29, Agriculture Law, No. 01/98.NA, dated 10/10/1998. ▪ Order of the Minister of Agriculture and Forestry on the Control and Use of Bat Guano in the Country No. 0613/MoAF.05, dated 08/7/2005. 	Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (Agriculture Department)