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Operating Instructions 19/2022 i

CEOs of all Commercial Banks

Dear Sir/ Madam

Imports and Exports (Control) Regulations No. 23 of 2022

Following Operating Instructions are issued under the powers vested in Imports and Exports (Control) Act No. 1 of 1969 and in terms of the regulation No. 5 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Regulations No. 23 of 2022, published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2309/40 dated December 09, 2022 and in addition to the Operating Instruction No. 19/2022.

1. Licensed banks are requested to make endorsement / note on the proforma invoice relevant to the importation of rice classified by the **HS Codes of 1006.30.19 and 1006.30.29** by stating the reference number of;

   i   Letter of Credit (LC) established on or before December 09, 2022, or,
   ii   Advance Payment effected on or before December 09, 2022.

   on importation of such goods, for the effective implementation of aforesaid regulations. Further, Licensed banks are requested to email scanned copy of such proforma invoice to unit5@imexport.gov.lk email address.

2. Licensed banks shall issue a certified copy of LC / TT referred above on the request of importer for the purpose of issuance of Import Control License (ICL).

T.T. Upulmalee Premathilaka
Controller General of Imports & Exports

Enclosures: Gazette Extraordinary No. 2309/40 dated December 09, 2022.

CC: 1. The Governor, Central Bank of Sri Lanka: Grateful to issue specific directions to all commercial banks to implement the above instructions.