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Sub: Procedure for Unaccompanied Baggage declaration under Indian Customs EDI System at Custom House, Tuticorin.

In order to speed up clearance of Un-accompanied Baggage of Passengers at Custom House, Tuticorin, it has been decided to extend the Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) to the clearance operation of Unaccompanied Baggage. The Unaccompanied Baggage (UB) module in the Indian Customs EDI System would commence from 01.10.2012 in Custom House, Tuticorin.

- 2. Under the system, passengers will be required to file the enclosed revised Baggage Declaration Form (hereinafter called the BD) at the Service Centre. The Service Centre will accept Baggage Declaration form from 10.00 hrs to 17.00 hrs on all working days. The information provided by the passenger in the revised BD will be fed into the computer on payment of a fee of Rs.60/- and a print out of the Check List will be given to the passenger. The passenger should verify the correctness of the details stated in the Check List and make necessary correction, if any. The passenger if satisfied with the entries made has to authorize the Service Centre for submission of the same to the Customs. The passenger will sign the Check List and then approach the SIIB, Custom House for examination.
- 3. Thereafter, the Inspector will scrutinize the passport and thereafter examine the baggage and process the BD by entering the details into the system and then forward online to the Superintendent, Unaccompanied Baggage.
- 4. In case the passenger is not availing any Transfer of Residence (TR) benefit or Mini TR(MTR) or he has not brought anything for which an adjudication order has to be passed, he/she will be given a print out of final BD or TR6 Challan. The passenger should thereafter go to the Treasury/Bank Counter at the Custom House for making the payment of duty, fine and penalty, if any.
- 5. In cases other than those mentioned in Para 4 above, the BD will be forwarded online by the Superintendent/UB to the Assistant Commissioner/Deputy Commissioner who will assess/decide it and then send it back to the Superintendent online. The rest of the procedure will be the same as explained in the preceding paragraph.
- 6. After paying the Customs duty, fine and penalty, if any, at the Treasury/ Bank, the passenger will approach the Superintendent/UB for getting the out of charge. The Superintendent will verify the proof of payment of Customs Duty, Fine and Penalty, if any, and grant 'out of charge' from the Customs side by duly endorsing the same on the final BD. This will be the last point of contact of the passenger with the Customs.
- 7. The passenger will thereafter proceed with the final BD with 'out of charge' endorsement to the respective CFS. The CFS authorities will prepare their own challan/gate pass for payment of demurrage/handling charges. On payment of necessary charges by the passenger, the CFS authorities will issue Gate Pass for delivery of the FCL container/LCL goods.

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