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The Arab Republic of Egypt Ministry of Finance Office of the Minister

## Minister of Finance Decree No. 222 of the year 2021

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The Minister of Finance

After Preamble,

#### **DECREES THE FOLLOWING:**

#### **Article-1**

# The controls and procedures to be complied with as a second stage of the Advance Cargo Information (ACI) shall be as follows:

- 1- The foreign exporter or the producer shall send, via electronic means, the consignment data and documentation (commercial invoice, packing list, bill of lading...etc.) bearing the advance cargo information declaration (ACID) number, to the National Single Window for Foreign Trade "Nafeza Platform" through the Blockchain Platform which is secured and approved by the entities concerned.
- 2- The carrier at the port of exportation or his representative shall send, via electronic means, a list of all the consignments scheduled to be exported to the Arab Republic of Egypt, within a period not exceeding (24) hours as of the time of departure of the vessel from the port of exportation, provided that the data of each consignment shall contain the bill of lading number, the ACID number, the exporter identification number and the importer identification number.
- 3- The electronic list including all the consignments scheduled to be exported to the Arab Republic of Egypt shall be received at Nafeza Platform so that the validity of their data would be checked, and the check result (whether positive or negative) shall be sent, automatically and electronically, to the carrier or his representative.

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- 4-The importer or his agent, from among the customs brokers, shall be automatically notified via Nafeza Platform, of receiving the consignment data or documents via the Blockchain Platform referred to in item-1 of this article.
- 5-The importer or his agent, from among the customs brokers, shall access Nafeza Platform and review the consignment file, using the ACID number, and shall approve the consignment documents using the electronic signature.
- The commercial invoice data shall be sent in electronic format 6indicating the consignment contents in terms of the articles data, including the Universal Product Code (UPC) of each article (whether Global Standards 1 "GS1" Code or any other standard international code). In case there is no GS1 code for any article, the part number shall be determined according to the nature of the imported article.
- 7-The importer or his agent, from among the customs brokers, may carry out the customs procedures under "the Advance Clearance System" via Nafeza Platform, in case he so desires.
- 8-The remaining procedures prescribed for releasing the consignment shall be completed via Nafeza platform, as per the provisions of the Customs Law referred to.

### Article-2

This decree shall be published in Al-Wakaye Al-Mesreya/ Government Bulletin, and shall be enforced according to the provision of article-4 of the Minister of Finance Decree No. 38 of the year 2021 referred to.

> **Minister of Finance** Dr. Mohamed Maeet

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