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Ministry of Industry and Commerce

No. 0716/MOIC.DIMEX
Vientiane, Date 22 April 2013

Decision

On the authorization to the Vientiane Industry and Trade Area to issue and control preferential certificates of origin

- Pursuant to decree No. 522/PM, Dated 23 December 2011 on the organization and activity of the Ministry of Industry and Commerce;
- Pursuant to decree No. 228/PM, Dated 22 April 2010 on the origin of import and export goods;
- Pursuant to the proposal letter of Department of Import and Export No. 2262/DIMEX, Dated 5 April 2013.

The Minister of Industry and Commerce hereby issues the following decision:

Article 1. Authorizing Vientiane Industry and Trade Area to be an issuing and controlling authority of preferential certificates of origin for the products which are produced in the factories belonging to the Vientiane Industry and Trade Area, to enhance, promote and facilitate investors investing in this area.

Article 2. Certificates of origin shall only be issued for products that a properly produced in compliance with the concerned rules of origin. The Vientiane Industry and Trade Area shall be responsible for the issuance of certificates of origin.

Article 3. The Vientiane Industry and Trade Area shall assign qualified staff to sign the certificates of origin and notify the Department of Import and Export with specimen signatures to be submitted to concerned countries in compliance with regulations.

Article 4. The Vientiane Industry and Trade Area shall research and issue controlling regulations for this work by following and complying with the policies and regulations of Laos and concerned countries.

Article 5. To ensure the implementation of the principles of government administration, the Vientiane Industry and Trade Area shall follow the principles of equality, transparency and justice for all exporters in its area, collect fees and service charges in compliance with Presidential Edict No. 03/P, dated 19 November 2008, to be granted to the financial unit, and summarize and report to the Ministry periodically (monthly, quarterly, yearly).

Article 6. The Department of Import and Export shall closely provide guidance by issuing detailed guidelines on the issuing and control of the certificates of origin, in order to

ensure correct implementation by the Vientiane Industry and Trade Area according with the relevant regulations.

Article 7. All concerned persons shall accept and follow this Decision accordingly and effectively.

Article 8. This Decision shall be effective from 1 July 2013.

Minister of Industry and Commerce

[Signed and Sealed]

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