## (Unofficial translation) LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC PEACE INDEPENDENCE DEMOCRACY UNITY PROSPERITY

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## **Notification**

- **To:** Department of Customs, Customs of Khammouan Province, International Customs of Friendship Bridge III, NaPao International Customs Checkpoint, Customs Office of Tha Khek Special Economic Zone;
  - Banque Pour Le Commerce Exterieur Lao Public, Lao Development Bank;
  - Import-export companies of all types of goods.

**Subject:** in applying LNSW to the management of import-export of goods and all types of items at the International Friendship Bridge III, NaPao International Customs Checkpoint, and the Customs Office at Tha Khek Specific Economic Zone.

- According to the Minister of Finance's Decision on the organization and activities of the Ministry of Finance's Cabinet Office, No. 6118/MOF, dated 10 December 2021;
- According to the instructions of the Ministry of Finance in applying the system of the LNSW, No. 4217/MOF, dated 28 December 2018;
- According to the Ministry of Finance's Decision in approving customs declaration at the LNSW, No.0204/MOF, dated 15 January 2019;
- According to additional instructions of the Department of Customs in applying the LNSW system, No. 04145/DOC, dated 23 May 2019;
- According to the request letter of the Department of Customs, No. 04449/DOC, dated 12 July 2022.

The Cabinet Office would like to inform the relevant sectors about the modernization of customs work by applying the LNSW system in managing import-export of goods and all types of items at the International Friendship Bridge III, NaPao International Customs Checkpoint, and the Customs Office at Tha Khek Specific Economic Zone. In ensuring the implementation will apply to the relevant sectors as detailed following:

- 1. To apply Lao National Single Window "LNSW" in managing of import-export of goods and all types of items at the International Friendship Bridge III, NaPao International Customs Checkpoint, and the Customs Office at Tha Khek Specific Economic Zone (including exempted tax) starts from 18 July 2022 onwards.
- 2. All businesses who import-export all types of goods, items, and other obligations such as service charges can pay the customs fee through the service unit or electronic system of the Banque Pour Le Commerce Exterieur Lao Public and Lao Development Bank such as the Smart tax system, i-Banking, BCEL one Corporate Banking, money transfer and cheques according to the relevant regulations;
- 3. The Joint company of the LNSW will collect a service fee of LAK 120,000 (one hundred and twenty thousand kip) per 1 set of detailed tax reporting as specified in the Project Concession Contract, which does not include taxes, customs fees, other fees and service charges of related sectors;
- 4. Any operators who have not yet registered and trained in the use of the LNSW must register to have a user code urgently before 15 July 2022. Starting from 18 July 2022, all import-export of all types of goods and all companies (including exempted tax) where will pass through the International Friendship Bridge III, NaPao International Customs Checkpoint, and the Customs Office at Tha Khek Specific Economic Zone, Kharkhamouan province must use the LNSW for customs declaration in detail.
- 5. The Customs Department, Khammouan Provincial Customs, the International Friendship Bridge III, NaPao International Customs Checkpoint, and the Customs Office at Tha Khek Specific Economic Zone, Khammouan Province, the Banque Pour Le Commerce Exterieur Lao Public and Lao Development Bank, all type of import companies and relevant sectors must implement the LNSW for customs declaration system accordingly;
- 6. In the actual implementation, if there are difficulties, report to the Customs Department to solve the difficulties.

Therefore, please be informed and implemented it accordingly.

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