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**Lao's People Democratic Republic
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Ministry of Industry and Commerce

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**Decision
On Prohibition List of Goods Subjects to Import or Export**

- Pursuant to Decree on the Organization and Operation of Ministry of Industry and Commerce no.230/PM, dated 24 July 2017;
- Pursuant to Decree on Import and Export no.114/GOV, dated 6 April 2011;
- Pursuant to the request letter of the Department of Import and Export no.3015/DIMEX, dated 8 September 2021.

Minister of Industry and Commerce has issued:

Article 1 Objective

This Decision has been created in order to implement Article 11 of Decree on Import and Export no.114/GOV, dated 6 April 2011.

Article 2 Prohibition List of Goods subject to Import or Export

The prohibition of goods that subject to import or export are the types of goods that are not allowed to import or export in order to protect the national security, social rules, morality, culture, life or health of human, animals or plants, to protect the national archeological objects, natural resource or to follow the conventions that Lao PDR is a party.

Article 3 Table of Prohibition List of Goods subjects to Import or Export

Table of prohibition goods subject to import or export is based on the HS code of the goods in which it has divided into two tables namely Table of prohibition list of goods subjects to import and Table of prohibition list of goods subjectd to export as details as followings:

1. Table of List of Goods Subject to Import Prohibition

No	HS code	Type of Product	Reason	Reference	Administrative agency
01	–	Hazardous chemical Type I under Ministry of Industry and Commerce's industrial chemical list	To protect health, safety of human and environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Chemical Weapons Convention; – Rotterdam Convention; – Stockholm Convention; – Montreal Protocol; – Law on the Management of Chemicals No. 07/NA, dated 10 November 2016; – Decision on the Industrial Chemical List, No. 0220/MOIC.DIH, dated 23 March 2021. 	Department of Industry and Handicraft (Ministry of Industry and Commerce)
02	3601.00 3602.00 3603.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Bullets and parts – War weapons – War vehicles – Explosive fertilizers and matches – Pyrotechnic products 	To protect national peace and security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Promulgation of the Penal Code no. 26/NA, dated 17 May 2017; – Decision of Regulations on the Management and Application of the Explosive Substances [Materials] in Lao PDR No. 39/PM, dated 12 July 2001. 	Department of National Industry Defense, General Department of Army Technology, (Ministry of National Defense)
03	1207.91.00.00 1211.40.00.00 1211.90.11.00 1211.90.12.00 1301.90.30.00 2939.11 2939.71.00.00	Prohibited Narcotics and their derivatives	To maintain social peace and order and protect human's live and health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Promulgation of the Penal Code no. 26/NA, dated 17 May 2017; – Law on Narcotic No. 10/NA, dated 25 December 2007; – Decree on Implementing the Law on Narcotic no.076/PM, dated 20 February 2009. 	Office of Narcotic Inspection and Control, General Department of Police (Ministry of Public Security)
04	–	Books, other pornographic publications and books that can affect the national and social security and peace.	To protect national good culture	Law on Publications No. 05/NA, dated 09 December 2008.	Department of Literature and Publishing (Ministry of Information, Culture, and Tourism)
05	–	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Banknote Printer – Coin milling machine – Banknote Printing Press – Banknote Paper – Banknote Ink – Coin making machine 	To prevent counterfeiting or imitation of banknotes and for economic security and maintain monetary stability	Law on Bank of the Lao PDR (amended version) no. 47/NA, dated 19 June 2018.	Department of Monetary Policy (Bank of Lao PDR)

No	HS code	Type of Product	Reason	Reference	Administrative agency
06	–	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Electronic waste (e-Waste) – Old power plants 	To protect health, safety of human and environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Basel Convention; – Notification on the outcome of monitoring and collecting data on – Notification on the results of the inspection and data collection on the separation and smelting of electronic waste and old power plants throughout the country No. 1855/PMO, dated 17 November 2017. 	Department of Industry and Handicraft (Ministry of Industry and Commerce)
07	–	All kind of Wildlife-Aquatic life and their parts under the prohibited list of CITES	To protect all kind threatened and endangered species.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES); – Law on Wildlife and Aquatic Resources No. 07/NA, dated 24 December 2007; – Decision on the adoption of aquatic and wild animals prohibited Category or Category I and Controlling Category or Category II No. 08/PM, date 25 February 2021. – Order on the Enhancement of the Strictness in the Administration and Inspection of Legally Prohibited Wild Fauna and Flora No. 05/PM, dated 08 May 2018; – Decision on the establishment and management of zoos, wildlife farms, centers of rehabilitation and wildlife breeding and plantations No 0188/MAF, date 03 February 2019. 	Department of Forestry (Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry)
08	–	Non-Timber Forest Products under the prohibited list of CITES	To protect all kind threatened and endangered species.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES); – Order on the Enhancement of the Strictness in the Administration and 	Department of Forestry (Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry)

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				<p>Inspection of Legally Prohibited Wild Fauna and Flora No. 05/PM, dated 08 May 2018;</p> <p>– Decision on the establishment and management of zoos, wildlife farms, centers of rehabilitation and wildlife breeding and plantations No 0188/MAF, date 03 February 2019;</p> <p>– Decision on timber List I, II and III, No.0448/MOAF, date 06 April 2021;</p> <p>– Decision on Non-Timber Forest Product List I, II, III no.0279/MAF, dated 19 February 2020.</p>	
09	2612	Uranium or thorium ores and concentrates.	To protect national peace and security	<p>– Law on Minerals (Revised Version) No. 31/NA, dated 03 November 2017;</p> <p>– Decree on export mining products, No. 90/PM, dated 09 June 2008;</p> <p>– Decision on Import and Export Licensing Procedures of Minerals and Mineral Products No. 0352/MEM, dated 13 June 2012;</p> <p>– Decision on Selling and Buying Mines [Ores] and Mining Products, No. 0481/MEM, dated 20 April 2012.</p>	Department of Mine Management (Ministry of Energy and Mines)
10	–	Extremely and highly hazardous pesticide	To protect health, safety of human and environment and to comply with regulation of protocols that Lao is a party.	<p>– Rotterdam Convention;</p> <p>– Stockholm Convention;</p> <p>– Law on the Management of Chemicals no 07/NA, dated 10 November 2016;</p> <p>– Decree on Pesticide Management in Lao PDR no.258/GOV, dated 24 August 2017;</p> <p>– Decision on the Management of Pesticide in Lao PDR no.2860/MAF, dated 11 June 2010.</p>	Department of Agriculture (Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry)

No	HS code	Type of Product	Reason	Reference	Administrative agency
11	–	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Radio Frequency Jammer – Simbox Equipment – Spy Phone (Voice, Data) 	To protect national peace and security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Law on Telecommunication (amended) no.09/NA, dated 21 December 2011; – Law on Information, Communication Technology no.02/NA, dated 7 November 2016; – Law on Radio Frequency no.17/NA, dated 5 May 2017; – Decision on the Import and Distribution of ICT equipment no.3201/MPT, dated 16 November 2016; – List of ICT equipment no.1504/PSO, dated 20 June 2018. 	Ministry of Technology and Communication
12	–	E-cigarette and Shisha	To protect human health and to prevent addiction	Notification on the proposal to prohibit the importation, distribution, and consumption of e-cigarette and shisha in Lao PDR no.1297/PMO. , dated 13 August 2018.	Department of Hygiene and health promotion (Ministry of Health)

2. Table of List of Goods Subject to Export Prohibition

No	HS code	Type of Product	Reasons	Reference	Administrative agency
01	9706.00.00	National heritage parts or objects	To preserve national treasures and national art heritage, history, and valuable antiquities and to promote conservative and sustainable tourism.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Law on National Heritage No. 44/NA, dated 24 December 2013; – Presidential Decree on Preservation of National cultural, historical and natural heritage No. 03/PDR, dated 20 June 1997; – Decision on preservation of the national heritage in terms of ancient artefacts, pagodas, museums, heritage museums, exhibition halls, museums of all kinds, old and new buildings no.95/MICT, dated 28 February 2005. 	Department of Heritage, (Ministry of Information, Culture, and Tourism)

No	HS code	Type of Product	Reasons	Reference	Administrative agency
02	–	Bat guano	To protect and maintain the sustainability of natural resource	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Law on Agriculture No. 01-98/NA, dated 10 October 1998; – Order on the Control and Use of Bat Guano in the Country No. 0613/MoAF.05, dated 8 July 2005. 	Department of Agriculture (Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry)
03	–	Logs, square logs, sawn wood, tree roots, stumps, burl wood, branch, whole living trees, and ornamental trees, from natural forest including black charcoal from wood from natural forests.	To maintain the sustainability of forestry resource.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES); – Law on Forestry (Amended) No. 64/NA date 13 June 2019; 	Department of Import and Export (Ministry of Industry and Commerce)
04	–	Hazardous chemical Type I under Ministry of Industry and Commerce's industrial chemical list	To protect health, safety of human and environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Chemical Weapons Convention; – Rotterdam Convention; – Stockholm Convention; – Montreal Protocol; – Law on the Management of Chemicals No. 07/NA, dated 10 November 2016; – Decision on the Industrial Chemical List, No. 0220/MOIC.DIH, dated 23 March 2021. 	Department of Industry and Handicraft (Ministry of Industry and Commerce)
05	–	All kind of Wildlife-Aquatic life and their parts under the prohibited list of CITES	To protect all kind threatened and endangered species.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES); – Law on Wildlife and Aquatic Resources No. 07/NA, dated 24 December 2007; – Decision on the adoption of aquatic and wild animals prohibited Category or Category I and Controlling Category or Category II No. 08/PM, date 25 February 2021. – Order on the Enhancement of the 	Department of Forestry (Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry)

No	HS code	Type of Product	Reasons	Reference	Administrative agency
				Strictness in the Administration and Inspection of Legally Prohibited Wild Fauna and Flora No. 05/PM, dated 08 May 2018; Decision on the establishment and management of zoos, wildlife farms, centers of rehabilitation and wildlife breeding and plantations No 0188/MAF, date 03 February 2019.	
06	–	Non Timber Forest Products under the prohibited list of CITES	To protect all kind threatened and endangered species.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES); – Order on the Enhancement of the Strictness in the Administration and Inspection of Legally Prohibited Wild Fauna and Flora No. 05/PM, dated 08 May 2018; – Decision on the establishment and management of zoos, wildlife farms, centers of rehabilitation and wildlife breeding and plantations No 0188/MAF, date 03 February 2019; – Decision on timber List I, II and III, No.0448/MOAF, date 06 April 2021; – Decision on Non-Timber Forest Products List I, II, III no.0279/MAF, dated 19 February 2020. 	Department of Forestry (Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry)
07	2612	Uranium or thorium ores and concentrates.	To protect national peace and security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Law on Minerals (Revised Version) No. 31/NA, dated 03 November 2017; – Decree on export mining products, No. 90/PM, 	Department of Mine Management (Ministry of Energy and Mines)

No	HS code	Type of Product	Reasons	Reference	Administrative agency
				dated 09 June 2008; – Decision on Import and Export Licensing Procedures of Minerals and Mineral Products No. 0352/MEM, dated 13 June 2012; – Decision on Selling and Buying Mines [Ores] and Mining Products, No. 0481/MEM, dated 20 April 2012.	

Remark: For any goods that are specified in the table of prohibit goods subjects to import and table of prohibit goods subjects to export in Article 3 of this Decision in which its HS code is not specified or has unclear or incomplete specification, the related responsible agencies will cooperate with customs administration in order to specify the actual HS code for goods to be correct and complied with the detail content of the goods according to the Lao Tariffs Nomenclature.

Article 4 Importation or Exportation of Goods Listed in the Table of Prohibition List of Goods Subject to Import and Export

Goods that are listed in the table of prohibit goods subjects to import or table of list of prohibit goods subjects to export as specified in Article 3 of this Decision can not be import or exported for the trade purpose with an exception of import or export for the purposes of research, technology development, defence, prevention and minimization of danger that may occur to health, life, property, environment and the application in the national defence-security, it shall be permitted by the government.

Article 5 Importation or Exportation of Goods that are not Listed in the Table of Prohibit goods subjects to Import and Export

Goods that are not listed in the table of prohibit goods subjects to import or table of prohibit goods subjects to export as specified in Article 3 of this Decision can be imported for trade purpose but must follow the import or export procedure according to specific regulation of each type of goods.

Article 6 Amendment of Tables of Prohibit Goods Subjects to Import and Export

The amendment of the prohibit goods subjects to import or export is the increase or decrease number of goods that are specified in Article 3 of this Decision.

Each time of the amendment shall be approved from the Minister of Industry and Commerce base on the consideration and request of related sectors.

Upon finishing the amendment, Ministry of Industry and Commerce shall notify to all related sector for acknowledgment and implementation.

Article 7 Implementation

Department of Import and Export, Ministry of Industry and Commerce is authorized to be the main agency in order to cooperate with related agencies in terms of implementing this Decision with effective outcome.

Article8 Effectiveness

This decision shall be effective after the date of signature and published on the Lao Official Gazette for 15 days.

This decision replaces the Notification on List of Prohibit Goods subjects to Import or Export No.0973/MOIC.DIMEX, dated 25 March 2011.

Minister

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