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**LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPLUBIC
PEACE INDEPENDENCE DEMOCRACY UNITY PROSPERITY**

Ministry of Industry and Commerce

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Notification

To: - Provincial and Capital Departments of Industry and Commerce
- Industry and Commerce Offices in Districts, municipality
- Domestic and Foreign Businesses
Subject: List of Business Activities Reserved for Lao Nationals (revised / C 02-2015)

- Pursuant to Article 13 of the Decision on Wholesales and Retails Business, No. 1005/MOIC.DTD, dated 22 May 2015;

- Pursuant to Para 1 (content of document) of Notification Letter from the Domestic Trade Department, No. 0515/DTD.MDP, dated 17 June 2015;

- Pursuant to the Request Letter from the Permanent Secretary Office of the Bank of Lao PDR on the inclusion of a Pawnshop Business into the List of Business Activities Reserved for Lao Nationals, No. 685/PSO, dated 16 October 2013

In order to preserve some important and crucial business activities for Lao nationals in operating businesses, creating jobs, generating sustainable incomes for a better standard of living, Ministry of Industry and Commerce (based on the research and requests from relevant agencies) notifies the amendment of some Business Activities in List C 01-2013 into List C 02-2015 to relevant stakeholders for information and implementation as follows:

1. Business Activities Reserved for Lao Nationals are types of businesses that are long-operated by Lao people and tribes, which are business activities that do not require high level of knowledge or big amount of capital for doing business or some business activities that the government has an aim to reserve because they are important, crucial or unique for the nation and always being together with Lao people in order to create jobs, create incomes and for a better standard of living for Lao people. Lao nationals are natural persons described in the Law of Nationality;

2. The List of Business Activities Reserved for Lao Nationals (revised / C 02-2015) attached herewith;

3. An approval or a business registration for a person or an entity that is not in accordance with this notification is regarded as not valid. A violator will be responsible in front of the law;

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4. Related parties or agencies must have detailed and clear legislation applied to all items of business activities reserved for Lao nationals to facilitate the implementation.

5. During a period of implementing this notification, if any party or agency finds the incompliance and would like to add or subtract any business activities from this List they can notify the Ministry of Industry and Commerce for an amendment and issuance additional notification;

6. This Notification replaced the Notification No. 1590/MOIC.DTD, dated 26 August 2013 on The List of Business Activities Reserved for Lao Nationals.

This notification is for information and strict implementation.

Deputy Minister of Industry and Commerce,

[Signature and seal]

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List C 02 - 2015
Business Activities Reserved for Lao Nationals (Revised)

Sectors	ISIC Code	Reserved Businesses	Responsible Ministries
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery			
	0230	Gathering of non-wood forest products (for this ISIC is reserved specifically for the exploitation of natural medicines)	MAF, MONRE and MOH
Manufacturing			
	1312	Weaving of textiles (for this ISIC is reserved specifically for weaving including the pattern design, patterning, supplementary west and Lao traditional ikat)	MOIC
	1321	Knitting and sewing of textiles (for this ISIC is reserved specifically for the sewing of Lao textiles with ancient and unique ethnic pattern)	MOIC and MICT
	1629	Manufacturing of other wood products, manufacture of articles from cork, straw and plaiting materials (for this ISIC is reserved specifically for the small family wood factory, wood sculpturing and plaiting with ancient and unique ethnic pattern)	MOIC and MICT
	1812	Services activities related to printing (for this ISIC is reserved specifically for the photo printing)	MICT
	2393	Manufacturing of other porcelain and ceramic products (for this ISIC is reserved specifically for the manufacture of Lao traditional porcelain with ancient and unique ethnic pattern)	MICT and MOIC
	3211	Manufacturing of jewelry and related articles	MICT and MOIC

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		(for this ISIC is reserved specifically for manufacturing of Lao handicraft with ancient and ethnic unique pattern)	
	3212	Manufacturing of imitation jewelry and assembled articles (for this ISIC is reserved specifically for manufacturing of Lao handicraft with ancient and ethnic unique pattern)	MICT and MOIC
Supply of Electricity, Gas, Steam and Air Conditioning			
	3510	Electric power generation, transmission and distribution (for this ISIC is reserved specifically for the hydropower project with a capacity of less than 15 Megawatt in Lao PDR as a no concessions project)	MEM
Construction			
	4321	Electrical installation (for this ISIC is reserved specifically for the electrical installation inside a building)	MEM
	4322	Installation of water pipes, heaters and air-conditioners (for this ISIC is reserved specifically for the installation of water pipes in a city, water supply system and air conditioning system in a building)	MPWT
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles			
	4690	Non-specialized wholesale trade (i.e. wholesale business with registered capital of less than 4 billion kip)	MOIC
	4719	Other retail in non-specialized stores (i.e. retail business with registered capital of less than 4 billion kip)	MOIC
Transportation and Warehouse			

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	4921	Urban or suburban passenger land transportation	MPWT
	4922	Other passenger land transportation (except for taxi meter services)	MPWT
	5221	Services activities incidental to land transportation (for this ISIC is reserved specifically for the public transport stations)	MPWT
Accommodation and Food Service Activities			
	5510	Short term accommodation services (for this ISIC is reserved specifically for the guesthouses, resorts, hotels that are graded less than 3 stars)	MICT
Information and Communication			
	5813	Publishing of newspapers, articles and magazines	MICT
	5819	Other publishing activities (for this ISIC is reserved specifically for the establishment of printing companies)	MICT
	5920	Songs publishing and sounds recording	MICT
	6010	Radio broadcasting (for this ISIC is reserved specifically for the establishment of community radio stations)	MICT
	6021	Television programming and broadcasting (for this ISIC is reserved specifically for the establishment of community television stations)	MICT
Financial and Insurance Activities			
	6430	Trusts, funds and similar financial entities (for this ISIC is reserved specifically for the establishment of trusts, non-deposit microfinance, loan and savings union)	BOL

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	6492	Other credit granting (for this ISIC is reserved specifically for a pawn shop business)	BOL
Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities			
	7110	Architectural and engineering activities and related technical consultancy (for this ISIC is reserved specifically for the consultancy on surveying, design, construction and architectural installation, Lao engineering services related to history, nature and culture and design, construction and installation of 22kv-35 kv and below 0.4 kv electrical distribution network)	MPWT, MICT and MEM
	7490	Other professional, scientific and technical activities (for this ISIC is reserved specifically for Lao language translation business)	MICT
Administrative and Support Service Activities			
	7810	Activities of employment placement agencies (employment agencies)	MLSW
	7920	Other reservation services and related activities (for this ISIC is reserved specifically for some specific tourist attractions)	MICT
	8121	General cleaning of buildings	MPWT
Education			
	8522	Technical and vocational education (skill development center, except technical and vocational school, technical college in or der to support the national education system phase 2 from 2011-2015)	MLSW
	8549	Other education services not specify elsewhere (for this ISIC is reserved for Lao language teaching for foreigners)	MOES

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Human Health and Social Work Activities			
	8690	Other human health activities (for this ISIC is reserved specifically for each type, each characteristic and each level across country of private medical clinics)	MOH
Other Service Activities			
	9523	Repair of footwear and leather goods	MICT
	9601	Washing and dry-cleaning of textiles and fur products	MICT
	9602	Hair dressing and other beauty treatment (not surgery activities)	MICT
	9603	Funeral and related activities	MICT
	9609	Other site decoration activities (for this ISIC is reserved specifically for the site decoration, and sound and lightings system installation)	MPWT MICT

Remarks:

1. List C 02-2015 (revised) replaced and terminated List C 01-2013;
2. Business activities under List C 02-2015 contains 37 activities that are analyzed and summarized from the proposal of relevant ministries.