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Addendum

The Government of South Africa has submitted for the information of contracting parties the text of Government Notice No. R. 1445 of 23 August 1968 amending paragraph 5 of the regulations contained in Government Notice No. R. 1990 (L/2969) as subsequently modified.

The following text is to be deleted from paragraph 5 of R. 1990:

"Importers wishing to import any of the goods detailed in this paragraph may convert their import permits into specific permits (in which the goods to be imported are described), provided -

(i) the goods to be imported under the specific permit applied for, fall within the same general category as the goods detailed in the original import permit issued;

(ii) the importer surrenders R2 of his original import permit for every R1 of a specific permit required for the importation of the goods mentioned in this paragraph;

(iii) importers wishing to convert their import permits into specific permits in terms of this paragraph must apply on form Excon 80;".

The following text is to be substituted therefor:

"Importers in possession of valid general merchandise import permits may apply on form Excon 80, as prescribed in Government Notice No. R. 2063, dated 23 December 1966, for the conversion of such import permits into specific permits (in which the goods to be imported are specifically described).

The Minister may at his discretion, refuse an application for the conversion of a permit for the importation of general merchandise as defined in paragraph 4 (b) 1, into a permit for the importation of any goods mentioned in this paragraph, or authorize such conversion subject to such conditions as he may determine.

The holder of a permit of which the conversion has been authorized in terms of the foregoing shall surrender R2 of his original import permit for every R1 of a specific permit required."

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