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Ministry of Industry and Commerce

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**Notification on the List of Controlled Goods Subject to  
Non-Automatic Import and Export Licensing Procedures in Lao PDR**

- Pursuant to the Prime Minister's Decree on Ministry of Industry and Commerce No. 188/P.M, dated 17/08/2006.
- Pursuant to the Prime Minister's Decree on Imports and Exports Management No. 205/PM, dated 11/10/2001.
- Pursuant to the Prime Minister's Decree on Import Licensing No. 180/PM, dated 07/07/2009.
- Referring the unanimous agreement between the Ministry of Industry and Commerce and relevant Ministries.
- Referring the Proposal of the Department of Imports and Exports.

**Minister of the Industry and Commerce notifies as follows:**

1. All goods listed this Notification are subject to non-automatic import and export licensing procedures. With respect to goods subject to automatic import and export licensing procedures, the Ministry of Industry and Commerce will coordinate with relevant authorities to issue a separate Notification.
2. Organizations, individuals or legal entities which are entitled to import or export the goods listed in this Notification shall apply for a license from the relevant agencies prior to imports or exports of such goods.
3. Any goods that are not listed in the List of Controlled Goods Subject to Import and Export Licensing and are not subject to Sanitary and Phyto-Sanitary (SPS) Measures and Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Measures shall proceed directly to the Customs clearance procedures.
4. All relevant agencies at both central and local levels have responsibility to implement this Notification.
5. This Notification shall enter into force 90 days after its signatory, and replaces the Notification No. 1376/MOIC.DIMEX, dated 10/10/2006. Other Notifications and provisions contradicting with this Notification shall be abolished.

Minister of Industry and Commerce  
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## ANNEX

### LIST OF CONTROLLED GOODS SUBJECT TO NON-AUTOMATIC IMPORT AND EXPORT LICENSING IN LAO PDR

#### I. LIST OF CONTROLLED GOODS SUBJECT TO NON-AUTOMATIC IMPORT LICENSING

##### 1. GOODS PROHIBITED TO IMPORT

No.	Code	Goods	Rationale	Regulations	Responsible Sectors	Remarks
1	3601-3603 3604.10.10 8710 9301 9302 9304 9305 9306 9307	Guns, ammunitions and all types of weapons (with the exception of explosive substances for industrial uses) and warfare vehicles.	To protect public order and national security.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Article 5 of the Law on Criminal.</li> <li>▪ Prime Minister's Decision to regulate the Management and the Use of Explosive Substances in Lao PDR, Ref. No. 39/PM, dated 12/07/2001</li> </ul>	Ministry of National Defense (General Department of Army)	Relevant agencies will issue Instruction on the importation of controlled goods under their own responsibility accordingly.
2.	1207.91.00 1211.40.00 1211.90.11 1211.90.12 1211.90.93 1302.11.00 2939.11.00 2939.19.00 2939.91.10	Poppy seeds, poppy, cannabis, opium, cocaine, and their derivatives.	To protect public order and national security.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Article 146 of the Law on Criminal.</li> <li>▪ Law on Narcotic Drugs.</li> <li>▪ Decree on the Implementation of Law on Narcotic Drugs, Ref. No. 076/PM, dated 20/02/2009.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ministry of Public Security (Anti-Narcotic Drugs Police)</li> <li>▪ Prime Minister's Office (Agency of Narcotic Drugs Inspection and Control).</li> </ul>	
3.		Detrimental fishing tools	To protect environment and water resources	Law on Fisheries	Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (Department of Fisheries)	
4.		Used diesel engines	To protect human		Ministry of	

			health and the environment		Industry and Commerce (Department of Imports and Exports)
5		Refrigerators, Water-cooling Fridges or Freezers containing CFCs (Chlorofluorocarbons) substances	To protect human health and environment		Ministry of Industry and Commerce (Department of Imports and Exports)
6		Used products in these following categories: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Garments, shoes, clothes</li> <li>▪ Electronic goods</li> <li>▪ Electrical appliances</li> <li>▪ Interior decoration items</li> <li>▪ Ceramics and items which are cloaked by metal or made of glass, plastics, rubbers, liquid and other substances.</li> </ul>	To protect human health and environment		Ministry of Industry and Commerce (Department of Imports and Exports)
7		Used medical products and equipments	To protect human health and environment	Policy on Medical Equipment Management in 2003.	Ministry of Public Health (Department of Food and Drug, and the Department of Clinical and Treatment )
8		Highly toxic chemicals	To protect human health and environment		Ministry of Industry and Commerce (Department of Industry)

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1	1006.10 1006.20 1006.30 1006.40	Rice in the husk; milled but unpolished rice; broken rice; semi-milled rice or wholly milled rice - whether not or polished or glazed	To control smuggling / illegal trade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Decree on Import and Export Management No. 205/PM, dated 11/10/2001.</li> <li>▪ Notification on Import and Export Documentation Procedures and Internal Transportation of Goods, Ref. No. 1691/PMO, dated 07/10/2004.</li> </ul>	Ministry of Industry and Commerce (Department of Imports and Exports)	Relevant agencies will issue Instruction on the importation of controlled goods under their own responsibility accordingly.
2.	2523 3816	Cements, mortars, concretes	To control smuggling/ illegal trade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Decree on Import and Export Management No. 205/PM, dated 11/10/2001.</li> <li>▪ Decree No. 188/PM.</li> <li>▪ Notification on Import and Export Documentation Procedures and Internal Transportation of Goods, Ref. No. 1691/PMO, dated 07/10/2004.</li> </ul>	▪ Ministry of Industry and Commerce (Department of Imports and Exports)	
3.	2710	Fuel	To control smuggling, fraud, deception and forgery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Decree on Price Management, Ref. No. 207/PM, dated 11/10/2001.</li> <li>▪ Decision on Management of the Fuel Importing Businesses and Wholesale services, Ref. No. 1785/MOIC.ITD, dated 07/09/2009</li> </ul>	Ministry of Industry and Commerce (Department of Imports and Exports)	
4.	2711	Gas	To control smuggling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Decree on Imports and Exports Management, Ref. No. 205/PM, dated 11/10/2001.</li> <li>▪ Notification on Import and Export Documentation</li> </ul>	Ministry of Industry and Commerce (Department of Imports and Exports)	

				Procedures and Internal Transportation of Goods, Ref. No. 1691/PMO, dated 07/10/2004.	Exports)
5	3603	Detonator 1. Placon detonator 2. Electric detonator 3. Non-electrical detonator 4. Nonel tube 5. Detonating line 6. Fuse for explosive device	To protect human health, life, and environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Notification on Management and Inspection of Explosive Materials for Civilian Activities in Lao PDR, Ref No. 121, dated 29/06/2005.</li> <li>▪ Prime Minister's Decision to Regulate the Management and Use of Explosive Substances in Lao PDR, Ref. No. 39/PM, dated 12/07/2001.</li> <li>▪ Decision on Authorization to Import Explosive Items, Ref. No. 88/MND, dated 12/1/2005.</li> </ul>	Ministry of National Defense (Department of National Defense Industry)
6	3915	Waste; scrap items; paring and scrap of plastics.	To protect environment		Ministry of Industry and Commerce (Department of Industry)
7	4004.00 4012.11 4012.12 4012.19.90 4012.20.10 4012.20.90	Retreaded pneumatic used tyre including broken pneumatic tyre wasted or whether not or parings.	To protect the environment		Ministry of Industry and Commerce (Department of Imports and Exports).
8	4901-4906 4909-4911	Publications (books, electronic publications or other types of publication for distribution)	To protect public morals	Law on Publications No. 05/NA, dated 09/12/2008.	Ministry of Information and Culture (Department of Publications)
9	7108.12.10	Gold bar (only gold bars that are internationally acceptable as a means/	Financial stability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Presidential Decree Law on the Management of Foreign Exchange and Precious metals,</li> </ul>	Bank of Lao PDR (Department of

		medium of payment)		Ref. No.01/President, dated 17/3/2007. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Regulation on Establishment and Administration of Enterprises entitled to Import and Export Precious metals, Ref. No. 01/BOL, dated 15/5/2007</li> </ul>	Monetary Policy)	
10	7213-7229	Bars, rods and other forms of steel	To control smuggling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Decree on Imports and Exports Management, Ref. No. 205/PM, dated 11/10/2001.</li> <li>▪ Notification on Import and Export Documentation Procedures and Internal Transportation of Goods, Ref. No. 1691/PMO, dated 07/10/2004.</li> </ul>	Ministry of Industry and Commerce (Department of Imports and Exports)	
11	3215.19.00 4802.69.20 4802.69.90 8443.19.10 8443.29.10 8443.30.10 8443.40.10 8443.59.90	Banknote printing machine; banknote paper and inks for banknote printing, and melting machines for making coins	Government procurement and financial stability		Bank of Lao PDR (Department of Monetary Policy)	
12	8525.10 8525.20.92 8526.10 8526.92.00	Telecommunication devices, radio-wave receiver and transmitter devices capable of receiving radio frequency range from 3 KHz to 300 GHz and capable in transmitting of radio frequency from 50 mW or more; Radar, long-distance radio wave controller and command	National security	Law on Telecommunication	Post and Telecommunication Agency (Department of Telecommunication and Internet)	

		devices.			
13	8467.81 8467.91 8508.20 8508.90	Wood cutting machines, chain saws including parts of chain saws	To control illegal logging and natural resource protection	Law on Forestry, Article 101 (Prohibitions for businessman)	Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (Department of Forestry)
14	8702-8705	Used cars	To protect environment	Prime Minister's Decision on Mechanism for Importation of Auto Vehicles and Spare Parts for Assembly in Factory, Ref. No. 14/PM, dated 28/02/2003.	Ministry of Industry and Commerce (Department of Imports and Exports)
15	9303.20 9303.30	Guns and ammunitions used for sport purposes	National security		Ministry of National Defense (General Department of Army)
16	9504.30 9504.90	Gambling machine	To protect public morals	Regulation on Management and Inspection of Games in all Forms in Lao PDR, Ref. No. 664/MIC, dated 23/9/2003	Ministry of Information and Culture (Department of Mass Culture)
17		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Explosives (for non military purposes)</li> <li>▪ Ammonium Nitrate (NH<sub>4</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>)</li> </ul>	To protect human health, life and environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Notification on Management and Inspection of Explosive Materials for Civilian Activities in Lao PDR, Ref. No. 121, dated 29/06/2005.</li> <li>▪ Prime Minister's Decision to Regulate the Management and the Use of Explosive Substances in Lao PDR, Ref. No. 39/PM, dated 12/07/2001.</li> <li>▪ Decision on Authorization to Import Explosive Items, Ref. No.</li> </ul>	Ministry of National Defense (Department of National Defense Industry)

				88/MOFA, dated 12/01/2005.		
18		Logs and processed woods from the natural forest	To prevent illegal logging along the borders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ CITES that Laos is a contracting party</li> <li>▪ Prime Minister's Order to strengthen the protection and conservation of forests and coordination in managing forest and wood businesses, Ref. No.17/PM, dated 22/09/2008.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (Department of Forestry)</li> <li>▪ Ministry of Industry and Commerce (Department of Imports and Exports)</li> </ul>	



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3.		Logs and processed woods from the natural forest	To prevent illegal logging along the borders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ CITES that Laos is a contracting party.</li> <li>▪ Prime Minister's Instruction to strengthen the protection and conservation of forests and coordination in managing forest and wood businesses, Ref. No.17/PM, dated 22/09/2008.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (Department of Forestry)</li> <li>▪ Ministry of Industry and Commerce</li> </ul>	

					(Department of Imports and Exports)	
4.		Antique items, including Buddha images; Hindu God images and other religious respectful items; historical, archeological and cultural invaluable items with 50 years old or more	To preserve the cultural heritages of the nation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Article 15 of the Law on Customs.</li> <li>▪ Law on National Heritage.</li> <li>▪ Article 2 of the Presidential Decree on Conservation of the Nation's Cultural, Historical and Natural Heritages.</li> </ul>	Ministry of Information and Culture (Department of Heritage)	

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2.	1006.10.10	Rice seeds	To preserve Lao traditional rice seed and control illegal exports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC)</li> <li>▪ Regulation on the Management of the Use of Seeds and Plants for Cultivation in Lao PDR, Ref. No. 719/MAF, dated 13/12/1997</li> </ul>	Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (Department of Agriculture)	
3.	3603	Detonator 1. Plaoon detonator 2. Electrical detonator	To protect human health and environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Notification on Management and Inspection of Explosive Materials for Civilian Activities</li> </ul>	Ministry of National Defense	

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4.	3602	Explosive items and explosive substances (Ammonium Nitrate / NH <sub>4</sub> NO <sub>3</sub> )	To protect human health, life and environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Notification on Management and Inspection of Explosive Materials for Civilian Activities in Lao PDR, Ref No. 121, dated 29/06/2005.</li> <li>▪ Prime Minister's Decision to Regulate the Management and Use of Explosive Substances in Lao PDR, Ref. No. 39/PM, dated 12/07/2001.</li> <li>▪ Decision on Authorization to Import Explosive Items, Ref. No. 88/MND, dated 12/1/2005.</li> </ul>	Ministry of National Defense (Department of National Defense Industry)
5		Finished wood products	To control illegal exportation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Prime Minister's Order to strengthen the protection and conservation of forests and coordination in managing forest and wood businesses, Ref. No.17/PM, dated 22/09/2008.</li> <li>▪ Regulation on Forms and Sizes of Wood Products, Ref. No.1415/MOIC.DI, dated 22/08/2008.</li> </ul>	Ministry of Industry and Commerce (Provincial Offices and Vientiane Capital Office of Industry and Commerce)
6	7108.12.10	Gold bar	Financial stability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Presidential Decree on the Management of Foreign Exchange and Precious metals</li> </ul>	Bank of Lao PDR (Department of

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7		Minerals and mineral products	To control illegal exportations	Law on Mining, Ref. No. 04/97/NA, dated 12/4/1997.	Ministry of Energy and Mining (Department of Mining)	
8		Logs and processed woods harvested from plantation	To control illegal exportations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Prime Minister's Instruction to strengthen the protection and conservation of forests and coordination in managing forest and wood businesses, Ref. No.17/PM, dated 22/9/2008.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (Department of Forestry)</li> <li>▪ Ministry of Industry and Commerce (Department of Imports and Exports)</li> </ul>	
9		Bat manure	To control illegal exports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Article 29 of the Law on Agriculture, Ref. No.01/98 NA, dated 10/10/98.</li> <li>▪ Ministerial Instruction on the Management and the Use of Bat Manure in Lao PDR, Ref. No.0613/MAF.06, dated 08/07/2005.</li> </ul>	Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (Department of Agriculture)	