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MINUTES OF PTFC MEETING HELD ON 18th Nov. 2014

The Meeting of the Permanent Trade Facilitation Committee (PTFC) was held on 18th Nov. 2014 at 11.30 hours in the Committee Room, New Custom House, New Delhi. The meeting was chaired by Sh. S.R. Baruah, Commissioner of Customs (Import & General). The following officers of the department attended the meeting:-

1. Sh. G. M. Kamei, Additional Commissioner
2. Sh. V. K. Gahlot, Additional Commissioner
3. Sh. Y.S. Pathak, Deputy Commissioner, Policy
4. Sh. Deepak Kumar, Deputy Commissioner, Import Shed
5. Sh. Rohit Anand, Deputy Commissioner, Import Shed
6. Mrs. Sanyogita Misra, Assistant Commissioner, Technical Branch
7. Sh. S.K. Gupta, Assistant Commissioner, Policy
8. Sh. Ratandeeep, Superintendent, Policy
9. Sh. G. K. Kapoor, Superintendent, Technical
10. Sh. Abhishek Kumar Sinha, Inspector, Technical

The following members of PTFC attended the meeting:

1. Sh. Raman Sud, President, DCCAA
2. Sh. Kailash Gupta, Hony. Sec., DCCAA
3. Sh. S.K. Chaudhary, E. Member, DCCAA
4. Sh. Sanjiv Edward, Head of Cargo, DIAL
5. Sh. Ramesh M., CEO, CELEBI
6. Sh. Sushant Nigam, GM, DIAL,

7. Sh. M. D. Kala, GM, DIAL
8. Sh. Anil Jaiswal, GM, DCSC
9. Sh. Vipin Jain, Chairman, (BAR-11 CC, NR)
10. Sh. Manoj Kumar, Customs Head, TNT India (BAR)
11. Sh. Deepak Mittal, E. Member, DCCAA
12. Sh. Ashish Dewan, A. Manager, Air India
13. Sh. Mukesh Sharma, Sr. IT Engineer, CMC Ltd.
14. Sh. Sandeep Pandey, Deputy Director, NPQS Dte of PPQ&S New Delhi
15. Ms. Ritu Sharma, Ass. Manager, DIAL
16. Sh. Umesh Sobti, Manager Import, CELEBI
17. Sh. Rajender Goyal, Hony. Treasurer, DCCAA.

The Commissioner Sh. S.R. Baruah welcomed all members. He expressed his appreciation of the stakeholders of the Committee for their continued efforts and involvement in the process of collective decision-making and resolving operational issues.

The specific agendas for the PTFC which was forwarded by the 'Delhi Customs Clearing Agents Association (Regd.) vide their letter of reference DCCAA/08/PGC/PTFC/03/2014-15/02 dated 17 Nov. 2014, is as follows:-

Agenda No. 1 :- Renewal of Helper Cards.

Reply

:- The Assistant Commissioner (Policy) explained that the Customs Brokers Licensing Regulations, 2013, provide for issuance of only three types of card namely -'F', 'G' and 'H' and there is no provision for issuing "Helper Card". The CHA Association representatives stated that these "Helpers" have been working with the various CHA firms for the last 15-20 years even though there was no provision of 'Helper Card' in earlier CHA licensing Regulations and therefore they cannot discontinue their service. They requested that the existing "Helper" Cards may be renewed. They further stated that these Helpers cannot be employed in other jobs also as they are not trained in other fields.

It was decided that since Policy is with the newly created General Commissionerate, the matter may be taken up in the PTFC meeting of General Commissionerate for final decision. The Commissioner however, requested that these Helpers having valid 10+2 certificate may be encouraged to apply for "H" Card.

Agenda No. 2. :- Undertaking of Fresh G/H Cards.

Reply

:- The Assistant Commissioner (Policy) clarified that the undertaking has been modified by deleting the language / points objected to by the CB's Associations. However, it was decided that this point may also be taken up with the General Commissionerate for further deliberation as CB Association does not agree with the undertaking in new format.

Agenda No. 3. :- In case of heavy shipments when the B/E is regularized with one IGM & is O/C is given then O/C cancellation & amendment of B/E is 2-3 days process. Once the importer has paid full duty manual O/C should be allowed to avoid unnecessary demurrage.

Reply :- The Deputy Commissioner (Import Shed) submitted that at present IGM amendments on account of 'Part Shipments', Regularization of IGM etc. is allowed on the same day and the amendment is made in the system. The representatives of CHA Association stated that regularization in system takes 2-3 days before which the shipment cannot be cleared.

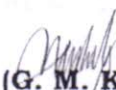
The Commissioner suggested that the amended/correct manifest needs to be filed immediately after the departure of the aircraft, as by this time the carrier knows exactly as to how many packages have actually been loaded onto the aircraft. This will cut down the time taken for carrying out the amendment in the Bill of Entry. The Deputy Commissioner (Shed) was also directed to make a study carrier-wise as to how many such cases have been there during the last six months so that the concerned carrier can be requested specifically to file correct IGMs. In case of repeated failure to do so, penal action may also be initiated.

It was further decided that the airlines will take necessary action to make the amended IGM available immediately after departure of the aircraft and positively prior to arrival of the aircraft.

Agenda No. 4. :- **Refund of Security Deposits of Rs. 5 lac given by CHA's for renewal before the clarification of the Board.**

Reply :- It was clarified that on deposit of the Security Deposit of ₹ 75,000/- or ₹ 50,000/-, as the case may be, the security deposit of ₹ 5 lakhs (deposited earlier) is being replaced & returned. The CHA's are directed to take up the matter with the Policy Branch of General Commissionerate.

The meeting was concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chair and with a request to the PTFC Members to submit Agenda items in advance with detailed proposal for the next meeting. It is decided that the next meeting will be held on 16th Dec. 2014 i.e. the third Tuesday of December at 11.30 hours in the Committee Room.


(G. M. KAMEI)
Additional Commissioner
Technical (Import)