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TOBACCO (CONTROL OF ADVERTISEMENTS AND SALE) ACT (CHAPTER 309)

TOBACCO (CONTROL OF ADVERTISEMENTS AND SALE) (PROHIBITED TOBACCO PRODUCTS) (EXEMPTION) ORDER 2016

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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 22 of the Tobacco (Control of Advertisements and Sale) Act, the Minister for Health makes the following Order:

Citation

1. This Order is the Tobacco (Control of Advertisements and Sale) (Prohibited Tobacco Products) (Exemption) Order 2016.

Definitions

2. In this Order —

"non-clinical research", in relation to a smokeless tobacco product, means any research conducted in a laboratory or other research facility that does not involve the testing or application of the smokeless tobacco product on a human being;

- "Prohibited Tobacco Products Regulations" means the Tobacco (Control of Advertisements and Sale) (Prohibited Tobacco Products) Regulations 2014 (G.N. No. S 769/2014);
- "smokeless tobacco product" means any tobacco product specified in item 2 of the Schedule to the Prohibited Tobacco Products Regulations.

Exemption from sections 15(1) and 18(4) of Act

- 3. Subject to paragraph 4, a person that
 - (a) is not convicted of any offence under the Act or any subsidiary legislation under the Act committed on or after 2 August 2016;
 - (b) gives prior notice to the Authority of the person's intention to import any smokeless tobacco product for the purpose of conducting non-clinical research;
 - (c) imports any smokeless tobacco product between 2 August 2016 and 31 December 2026 (both dates inclusive) for the sole purpose of non-clinical research conducted by the person; and
 - (d) where the non-clinical research involves any application or testing of the smokeless tobacco product on an animal, is the holder of a licence issued under the Animals and Birds (Care and Use of Animals for Scientific Purposes) Rules (Cap. 7, R 10),

is exempt from the following in respect of each consignment of smokeless tobacco product so imported:

- (i) section 15(1) of the Act (as it relates to the import of a tobacco product) read with regulation 2 of the Prohibited Tobacco Products Regulations;
- (ii) section 18(4) of the Act read with regulation 3(1) of the Tobacco (Control of Advertisements and Sale) (Licensing of Importers, Wholesalers and Retailers) Regulations 2010 (G.N. No. S 478/2010).

Conditions of exemption

- **4.** The exemption in paragraph 3 is subject to the following conditions:
 - (a) the person in that paragraph must take all reasonable steps to prevent any use, distribution, sale or supply of the smokeless tobacco product for a purpose other than the non-clinical research for which the product is imported;
 - (b) the person must, within 3 days after becoming aware of any use, distribution, sale or supply of the smokeless tobacco product for a purpose that is not the non-clinical research for which the product is imported, inform the Authority of such use, distribution, sale or supply.

Made on 11 November 2016.

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