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ROAD TRAFFIC ACT (CHAPTER 276)

ROAD TRAFFIC (QUOTA SYSTEM — EXEMPTION) (AMENDMENT) ORDER 2012

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 142 of the Road Traffic Act, the Minister for Transport hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Road Traffic (Quota System — Exemption) (Amendment) Order 2012 and shall come into operation on 1st August 2012.

Deletion and substitution of paragraphs 2 and 3

2. Paragraphs 2 and 3 of the Road Traffic (Quota System — Exemption) Order (O 5) are deleted and the following paragraphs substituted therefor:

"Definitions

- 2. In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires
 - "consular employee" means a person employed in the administrative or technical service of a consular post;
 - "consular officer" means a person entrusted in that capacity with the exercise of consular functions, and includes the head of a consular post;
 - "designated spouse", in relation to a diplomatic agent or consular officer with more than one lawful spouse, means the lawful spouse of the diplomatic agent or consular officer whom the Ministry of Foreign Affairs designates for the purposes of paragraph 3(*j*);

"diplomatic agent" means —

(a) the head of a diplomatic mission; or

"exempted vehicle" means a vehicle exempted under paragraph 3;

"member of the administrative and technical staff", in relation to a diplomatic mission, means a member of the staff of the diplomatic mission employed in the administrative and technical service of the diplomatic mission;

- "mobile engineering plant" has the same meaning as in rule 2 of the Road Traffic (Regulation of Speed) Rules (R 13);
- "motor tractor" has the same meaning as in rule 2 of the Road Traffic (Regulation of Speed) Rules;
- "registered owner" means the person registered under the Act as the owner of an exempted vehicle;
- "restricted vintage vehicle" has the same meaning as in rule 2(1) of the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Registration and Licensing) Rules (R 5);
- "track laying vehicle" has the same meaning as in rule 2 of the Road Traffic (Regulation of Speed) Rules.

Vehicles exempted from permit authorising their registration

3. Subject to paragraphs 4 and 5, the following vehicles shall be exempt from the requirement in section 10A(1) of the Act for a permit authorising their registration:

- (*a*) an omnibus registered in the name of SBS Transit Ltd., SMRT Buses Ltd. or Singapore-Johore Express Pte. Ltd.;
- (b) a school bus;
- (c) a trailer;
- (d) an ambulance;
- (e) a motor vehicle used for fire fighting purposes;
- (f) a motor vehicle owned by the Government for the use of
 - (i) the Singapore Police Force for the purposes of maintaining law and order; or
 - (ii) the Singapore Civil Defence Force for the purposes of civil defence;

- (g) a motor vehicle owned by the Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore for the purposes of mobile command and control operations;
- (*h*) a motor vehicle owned by the Land Transport Authority of Singapore for any of the following purposes:
 - (i) mobile command and control operations;
 - (ii) enforcing the provisions of the Act;
- (*i*) a motor vehicle owned by the National Environment Agency for the purposes of monitoring nuclear radiation;
- (*j*) a motor vehicle approved by the Minister to be registered in the name of —
 - (i) a diplomatic mission;
 - (ii) a diplomatic agent;
 - (iii) a member of the administrative and technical staff of a diplomatic mission;
 - (iv) a consular officer;
 - (v) a consular employee;
 - (vi) where a diplomatic agent or consular officer has only one lawful spouse, the spouse of the diplomatic agent or consular officer; or
 - (vii) where a diplomatic agent or consular officer has more than one lawful spouse, the designated spouse of the diplomatic agent or consular officer;
- (*k*) a motor vehicle approved by the Minister to be registered in the name of —
 - (i) an international organisation or a visiting military force; or
 - (ii) a staff member of an international organisation or a visiting military force;
- (*l*) a motor vehicle approved by the Minister to be registered in the name of a voluntary welfare organisation;
- (*m*) a motor vehicle approved by the Minister to be registered in the name of a disabled person;
- (*n*) a restricted vintage vehicle;
- (*o*) a motor vehicle bearing the index mark "RU" that is approved by the Minister for use within such areas as may be specified in the approval;

- (p) a motor vehicle registered or re-registered as a PU registered vehicle under rule 3B of the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Registration and Licensing) Rules;
- (q) a mobile engineering plant;
- (*r*) a motor tractor;
- (s) a track laying vehicle;
- (*t*) a mobile crane; and
- (*u*) a concrete pump.

Cessation of exemption

- **4.** Any exemption under paragraph 3 shall cease on the date
 - (a) that the Registrar cancels the registration of the exempted vehicle under section 27(1) of the Act;
 - (b) that any condition to which the exemption is subject under paragraph 5 ceases to be satisfied;
 - (c) in the case of an exempted vehicle that is a public service vehicle, that the Registrar revokes the public service vehicle licence issued to that exempted vehicle under section 108 of the Act; or
 - (d) in the case of an exempted vehicle that is exempted under paragraph 3(k)(ii), that the registered owner of the exempted vehicle ceases to be a staff member of the international organisation or visiting military force.

Exemption conditions

5.—(1) An exemption under paragraph 3(a) is subject to the condition that the exempted vehicle shall only be used for the operation of bus services which the registered owner of the exempted vehicle is licensed to operate under section 12 of the Public Transport Council Act (Cap. 259B).

(2) An exemption under paragraph 3(j), (k), (m) or (o) is subject to the condition that, unless otherwise approved by the Minister, the exempted vehicle must be kept and used by the registered owner of the exempted vehicle, and no other.

(3) An exemption under paragraph 3(p) is subject to the condition that the exempted vehicle shall only be kept and used on Pulau Ubin.".

Made this 26th day of July 2012.

PANG KIN KEONG Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Transport, Singapore.

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