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GOODS AND SERVICES TAX ACT (CHAPTER 117A)

GOODS AND SERVICES TAX (IMPORTS RELIEF) (AMENDMENT) ORDER 2011

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 24(1) and 86(1) of the Goods and Services Tax Act, the Minister for Finance hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Goods and Services Tax (Imports Relief) (Amendment) Order 2011 and shall come into operation on 1st January 2012.

Amendment of Schedule

- **2.** The Schedule to the Goods and Services Tax (Imports Relief) Order (O 3) is amended
 - (a) by inserting, immediately after item 9, the following item:
 - "9A. Person Personal transferring pets. residence to Singapore.
- (a) That such person satisfies the proper officer of customs that
 - (i) he is changing his place of residence from outside Singapore;
 - (ii) he is the owner of the pets imported; and

- (iii) the pets have been in his ownership for a period not less than 3 months;
- (b) that the pets are imported within 6 months of his first arrival in Singapore; and
- (c) that such person gives an undertaking not to dispose of the pets within 3 months from the date of importation of such pets.
- (b) by inserting, immediately after item 14, the following item:

"14A. Importer or person in charge of ship.

All goods, excluding intoxicating liquors and tobacco, on board a ship as defined in section 21(4)(a) of the Act.

- (a) It is intended that the arriving ship is to leave Singapore as soon as possible; and
- (b) that the goods remain onboard the ship whilst the ship is in Singapore.

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(c) by inserting, immediately after item 30, the following item:

"30A. Importer or person in charge of boat. Temporary import of private or recreational boat.

- (a) That the boat is imported only for the purpose of any pleasure, recreational, sports, racing or other similar event;
- (b) that the boat enters Singapore under the power of its own engine or under its own sail;

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Certificate.".

- (c) that it is intended that the arriving boat is to leave Singapore as soon as possible; and
- (d) that the tax is payable if the boat is sold, disposed of or transferred locally.
- (d) by inserting, immediately after item 39, the following item:

"40. Importer.

Medicinal products (within the meaning of section 3 of the Medicines Act (Cap. 176)) for use in clinical trials (whether in Singapore or elsewhere), including such medicinal products, whether or not having been so used, for destruction or disposal.

- (a) The importation of the medicinal products is subject to any approval required from and any other requirement of any regulatory authority regulating any matter relating to health or the environment; and
- (b) the tax is payable if any requirement in paragraph (a) is not satisfied at any time after the importation of the medicinal products.

[G.N. Nos. S 389/2002; S 141/2009; S 627/2009; S 183/2010; S 229/2010; S 826/2010]

Made this 22nd day of December 2011.

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