

REPORT OF CARGO, PASSENGERS AND CREW

CUSTOMS ACT

30. Report of cargo passengers and crew.

(1) The person in charge of a conveyance arriving at a port, airport or port of entry in Papua New Guinea (whether the first port or any subsequent port on the same journey), shall report to Customs such advance notice and in such form as may be prescribed, of all the following matters:

- (a) the impending arrival of the conveyance;
- (b) its voyage, flight or travel itinerary;
- (c) its crew;
- (d) its passengers;
- (e) its cargo for discharge in Papua New Guinea;
- (f) its cargo not for discharge in Papua New Guinea;
- (g) the time, date and port, airport or port of entry at which it will arrive; and
- (h) any other information that the Commissioner may require from time to time, to ensure compliance with this Act or any other Act of Parliament.

(2) The person in charge of a conveyance arriving at a port, airport or port of entry in Papua New Guinea, shall on arrival:

- (a) report the arrival of the conveyance to Customs; and
- (b) answer any questions relating to the conveyance and its cargo, crew, passengers, stores and voyage; and
- (c) produce on demand any documents relating to the conveyance and its cargo, passengers or crew

(3) For the purposes of subsections (1) and (2) the person in charge of a conveyance also includes the owner, operator or agent of the conveyance.

(4) A person who contravenes subsection (1) or (2) is guilty of an offence.

Penalty: Subject to Sections 163, 164 and 165, a fine of not less than K5,000.00 and not exceeding K50,000.00.

(5) Notwithstanding subsections (1) and (2), the owner, operator or agent of a conveyance shall, upon request, provide an authorised officer with any information that the owner, operator or agent holds or has access to relating to the passengers of the conveyance, including but not limited to:

- (a) the person's full name, date and place of birth, nationality, sex and passport details;
- (b) the person's contact details (including telephone numbers, address and email address);
- (c) any special conditions or arrangements the person has made regarding his or her travel;
- (d) where and on what date the person booked his or her travel;

- (e) whether the person has checked baggage; and
- (f) any associated bookings or travel companions.

(6) A person who fails to comply with some or all of his obligations under subsection (5) is guilty of an offence.

Penalty: Subject to Sections 163, 164 and 165, a fine of not less than K5,000.00 and not exceeding K50,000.00.

CUSTOMS REGULATIONS

18. Inwards reports.

- (1) The reports required by Section 30 of the Act shall be—
 - (a) in the case of a commercial conveyance – in an approved form; or
 - (b) in the case of a non-commercial conveyance – in an approved form.; and
 - (c) be communicated to Customs by sending, transmitting or giving it to an officer doing duty in relation to the reporting of conveyances at the port, airport or port of entry at which the conveyance is expected to arrive; and
 - (d) in the case of a vessel shall be given to Customs not less than 48 hours before its arrival, unless the voyage time from its last port is less than 48 hours in which case not later than 24 hours before its arrival; and
 - (e) in the case of an aircraft shall be given to Customs not less than 3 hours before its arrival, unless the flight time is less than 3 hours in which case not later than 1 hour before its arrival; and
 - (f) in the case of a vehicle shall be given to Customs at the time of its arrival at the port of entry.

- (2) An application to amend an inward manifest report of a conveyance shall be in an approved form.

- (3) In the case of a ship a list of stores shall be shown on an approved form.

- (4) In the case of an aircraft, a list of aircraft stores shall be shown on an approved form.

- (5) A list of dutiable articles owned by the person in charge of a conveyance or any member of its crew —
 - (a) shall accompany the approved form, as the case requires; and
 - (b) shall be shown on an approved form.

- (6) Where stores are consumed—
 - (a) in ports in Papua New Guinea; or
 - (b) in Papua New Guinea waters; or
 - (c) between aerodromes in Papua New Guinea,particulars of all stores so consumed shall, where required, be furnished by the person in charge of the conveyance in an approved form or in such form as the Collector directs.

