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IMPORT DUTIES (CONSOLIDATION) (AMENDMENT) ACT NO. 24 OF 2023

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 Assent:
 29/12/2023

 Commencement:
 29/12/2023

IMPORT DUTIES (CONSOLIDATION) (AMENDMENT) ACT NO. 24 OF 2023

An Act to amend the Import Duties (Consolidation) Act [CAP 91].

Be it enacted by the President and Parliament as follows-

1 Amendment

The Import Duties (Consolidation) Act [CAP 91] is amended as set out in the Schedule.

2 Commencement

This Act commences on the day on which it is published in the Gazette.

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1 Subsection 1(1)

Repeal the subsection, substitute

- "(1) Custom import duties must be levied on all goods imported into Vanuatu at the rates set out under Schedule 1.
- (1A) Despite subsection (1), customs import duty is not payable for any items set out in Schedule 3 under the circumstances or to the extent as specified in that Schedule."

2 Schedule 1 – Chapter 96- After tariff item 9619.00.00 Insert

Tariff Item	Description	Unit Qty	Import Duty Rate	Excise Duty	Import Vat	SITC Code	Export Duty Rate
9619.00.10	Non- reusable napkins (diapers)	kg	Free	Free	15%	0642.95	Free
9619.00.90	Others	kg	Free	Free	15%	0642.95	Free

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3 Schedule 1 – Parts 2A, 2B and 3

Repeal the Parts.

4 After Schedule 2

Insert

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The goods listed in this Schedule is to, by reason of the purpose for which they have been imported or are intended to be used, be either exempted from duty or

liable to duty at lower rates than those to which they would be liable under the terms of Schedule 1, provided that in each case any conditions specified hereunder are complied with.

If any condition affecting the goods listed in this Schedule is not fulfilled after the goods leave customs control, the Director of Customs may disallow the concession and collect duty at the rate applicable under Schedule 1 and such collection is to be without prejudice to action that may be taken under any law for the time being in force.

Additional Notes

- 1. Unless the context otherwise requires, all references to column numbers in these Notes are to be taken to apply to the columns in this Schedule.
- 2. Subject to the provisions of Note 3 below, and of any other qualifying Note of this Schedule, goods are to be entered at the rates of import duty prescribed in column (4), instead of any higher rates of import duty applicable in Schedule 1.
- 3. Application of the concessional rates of import duty is governed by the following conditions:
 - a) that the concession claimed at the time of importation or at the time of clearance from a customs-controlled area by the person or body specified in column (2) of Schedule 3; and
 - b) that where applicable, the goods are of a kind answering to a name or description specified in column 3; and
 - c) that any condition in column (7) specifying the use of the goods, is to be taken, inter alia, to limit such goods to the type, kind or quantity suitable for such uses; and
 - d) that all conditions specified in column (7) and any additional conditions that may be specified by the Director under Note 7 are fulfilled, provided that:
 - I. when any condition affecting the goods is not fulfilled or used for any other purpose other than which they have been approved, after the goods leave customs control, the director may disallow the concession and collect the rate of duty applicable under Schedule 1; and

- II. such collection is to be without prejudice to action under any other law for the time being in force.
- e) that, where applicable in column (8), a certificate is submitted in accordance with Notes 4 and 5 below; and
- f) that the Director of Customs, in his discretion, accepts goods for entry at the rates of duty under this Schedule.
- 4 Except in the cases of goods which an officer of customs accepts as accompanied goods, schedule 3 of duty concessions are claimed by endorsing on the prescribed customs entry the relevant Code number of column (1) of this Schedule and the relevant item number of column (1) of this schedule. Where it is indicated in column (8) that a certificate is required, such certificate is to be endorsed on the letter of authority or documents lodged with the customs declaration and is to take the following form:

I hereby certify that the goods to which this declaration applies are imported by/ supplied to
(Name of person or body in respect of which the concession is claimed)
Airway Bill/Bill of Lading Reference Number:
And duty concession is claimed under Code No of Schedule 3 to the Import Duties Act (Cap 91) subject to the conditions herein specified.
Signature Name Date Status

The Director of Customs may require the submission of specimen signatures by any person who is to sign a certificate under column (7).

- 5 Unless the contrary is stated or the context otherwise requires, goods specified in column (3) is to:
 - a) Be imported by or on behalf of the person or body specified in column (2); or
 - b) Not be delivered ex bond without the express approval of the Director of Customs
- 6 For the purposes of Code No.008, the expression "personal effects" are not to be taken to apply to cigarettes, cigars, tobacco, wine and alcoholic beverages.
- For the purposes of Code No. 001, the expression "raw materials" are to be taken to apply to goods in their natural state before processing or manufacture, or components which are used in the creation of a final manufactured product.
- 8 Notwithstanding the conditions specified in column (7) of Codes No. 001 to 044, the Director may reject or approve the concession and impose additional conditions for the protection of the revenue.'
- 9 The disposal or use of approved goods in column (3) for purposes other than that which the concession is granted, within a period of 5 years of importation, be subject to duty payment as provided in Schedule I of the Import Duties Act (CAP 91).

(1) Code No.	(2) Person or Bodies	(3) Goods Eligible for Duty Concession	(4) Impor t Duty Rate	(5) Excise Duty Rate	(6) Impo rt VAT	(7) Conditions	(8) Certificate to be signed by
	SECTION 1 – I	ECONOMIC RE	LIEFS				
001	A producer or manufacturer of goods in Vanuatu	a) Raw materials for the manufacture of approved goods	Free	Free	15%	(a) That the finished goods arising from the	The Director, Dept. of Industry

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						d)	Strata title developm ents are excluded from this concessio n	
003	A person or organization	Boats, boat building material, fishing equipment, marine motors, refrigeratio n, solar equipment and fuel.	Free	Free	15%	a)	The goods are for the exclusive use of approved fishing projects; Excludin g game fishing	The Director Dept. of Fisheries
004	a. A person or organizatio n which is party to an agreement with the Governme nt of Vanuatu for the generation of electric power.	Diesel fuel to which 2710.12.20 refers	Free	10 Vt/l	15.%	a) b)	The concessio n granted is in accordan ce with the agreemen t with the Governm ent of Vanuatu. The	The Director Dept Customs & Inland Revenue

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006	A person or company	Machinery and equipment	Free	Free	15%	a) That the goods are imported for a mineral explorati on and extraction project in Vanuatu.	The Director Dept. Geology and Mines
007	A person or company	a) Technical survey equipment' s and apparatus	Free	Free	15%	 a) The person or company must obtain a License of registration from the Land Surveyors Board; b) The goods must be used solely for the services, maintenance and repair of technical survey equipment's owned by a person or company 	The Director of Lands Survey and Registry

	SECTION 2 –	PERSONAL REI	LIEFS			eligible for the concession and not any other persons.	
008	A person or organization	Unaccompanie d personal and household effects: a) Importe d by persons taking up residen ce in Vanuat u for the first time; or b) Importe d by a Vanuat u resident returnin g to live in Vanuat u after an absence from Vanuat u of at least 12 months.	Free	Free	Free	 a) Imported within 6 months of being granted a residency visa, or for whatever period the Director may allow. b) All restricted goods requiring permits (new, used or unused) are excluded. c) Provided that the goods are; i. Used items of personal and househol d effects that have been owned and 	The Director of Customs & Inland Revenue

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009	A Person employed in the sessional workers scheme (RSE/SWP) or any other similar scheme.	Unaccompanie d personal effects imported by persons employed in the seasonal worker's scheme.	Free	Free		Used items of personal and household effects obtained while domiciled overseas; All restricted goods requiring permits (new, used or unused) are excluded. Any other new or unused goods to a value of 50,000VT (excluding tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, perfume, goods in commercia l quantities	The Director of Customs & Inland Revenue

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					or goods of a commercia l nature) c) Licensed by the Departme nt of Labor and/or any other Governm ent Agency.	
A bona fide passenger finally disembarking in Vanuatu, over 18 years of age.	Standard Allowances. (a) Tobacc o product s I. 250 sticks cigarett es; or II. 100 cigarill os; or III. 25 cigars; or IV. 250 grams tobacco IV. 250 grams tobacco	Free	Free	Free	 (a) The goods are not for sale (b) That the goods are the property of the passenger and are accompa nied, at the time of final disembar kation by the passenger or purchase d immediat ely after disembar kation in Vanuatu 	No customs entry or certificate required.

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011	A bona fide passenger finally disembarking in Vanuatu	Accompanied personal effects including professional instruments, apparatus, tools and implements	Free	Free	Free	 (a) That the goods are owned by the passenger at the time of arrival in Vanuatu and are for personal use, not in commerci al quantities or for commerci al purposes. (b) Used prior to importati on (c) Are of a kind and quantity which the customs are satisfied that a passenger may reasonabl y be expected 	Customs entry or certificate not required

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012	A person or	Books,	Free	Free	Free	a) The import	The
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		documents,				is less than	Customs &
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						the list of the goods to be distributed to the recipients and the contact details.	
015	A youth organization, Girl Guides, Boy Scouts	Uniforms, emblems, and insignia imported for use by the Girl Guides and Boy Scouts and other youth organizations recognized by the Government of Vanuatu or the Vanuatu Christian Council for this purpose	Free	Free	Free	Goods must be imported by the organizations themselves and by a third party for distribution	Girl Guides or Boy Scouts Association; Vanuatu Christian Council
016	An individual, organization or team	Cups medals, shields and similar trophies specifically for bestowal as an honorary distinction or prize to an individual or team in Vanuatu; or similar trophies gained abroad by Vanuatu residents.	Free	Free	Free	The goods are imported by individuals, teams or sporting organizations . They cannot be imported for resale.	The Director Dept. Customs and Inland Revenue
017	The Red Cross	All goods imported by The Red Cross	Free	Free	Free	That the goods are imported for	The Director of Customs

						donation and/or free distribution.	and Inland Revenue
018	Sporting Organizations or schools registered with Vanuatu Association of Sporting and National Olympic Committee (VASNOC)	Sports equipment, tools, movable items, including goods such as sports uniforms and football boots and similar goods which are not for resale	Free	Free	Free	 a) That the goods are donated and are imported by a sporting organization or school in Vanuatu b) The imported goods are not for sale. 	Director responsible for Youth Developme nt and sports.
019	Churches whether or not registered under Vanuatu Christian Council.	Building materials; furniture and furnishing including altars; musical instruments, altar bread and altar wine; bibles and hymnals used in divine service; materials bearing church logo's; Christian literatures.	Free	Free	Free	The goods are for the sole use of the church and are not intended for resale or otherwise disposed of in any manner.	VCC or the Office Bearer of the church or mission for which the goods are intended.
020	A school or educational institution	a) Building materials, including paint for the erection, maintenanc e or repair of any school and accommod	Free	Free	Free	The goods are only for schools and education al institutio ns registered with the Departme	The Director of Education or Dean of University or College

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	d) Books, forms, labels			

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023	Foreign-going vessels, small- crafts and aircrafts arriving and departing Vanuatu.	tags. Ships, small- crafts and aircrafts	Free	Free	Free	 a) That the vessel or small-craft arrive solely for pleasure cruising in Vanuatu for a period not exceeding 12 months. b) That the vessel, or aircraft is arriving for unloading imported or loading exported goods and shall be in Vanuatu for a period not exceeding 3 months after the arrival. c) The vessel cannot be sold, lent, rented, charted, disposed of or used for any commercial purposes. 	The Director Dept. of Customs & Inland Revenue. Customs entry not required
024	Master or agent of a "Super Yacht"	Vessels valued in excess of 50,000,000VT	Free	Fee	15%	For Charter The vessel must hold current internationall	Locally appointed agent approved by the Director

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	Section,	
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	Ports and	
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	b) A local	
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	agent	
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	for VAT	
	who	
	holds a	
	current	
	business	
	license as	
	a ship's	
	agent;	
	and	
	c) The local	
	agent	
	must pay	
	VAT on	
	all	
	purchases	
	in	
	Vanuatu	
	on behalf	
	of the	
	vessel	
	and on	
	any	

						charter	
						costs.	
						For Personal Use (a), (b) and (c) above.	
025	A person or organization	Goods imported for Commercial Samples by or on behalf of the Government of Vanuatu or non- government groups or organizations	Free	Free	Free	a) Samples that the Director of customs is satisfied are to be used for placing orders for the importati on of goods of the kind represent ed by the sample and are either at the time of importati on or prior to delivery from customs control of a negligible value provided	The Director of Customs & Inland Revenue

that the	
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as	
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(b) when	
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SECTION 5 - RELIEFS FOR THE PROMOTION OF NATIONAL SAFETY,	
SECURITY, HEALTH AND WELL-BEING, CREMAINS AND CORPS6a) VanuatuGoodsFreeFreeProvidedThe	
Police Force imported interview Free Free Free Free Free Free Free Fr	ctor
exclusively goods are Cust	
	Inland
	enue.
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c) Police Order enforcem	
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		Enforceme nt.				security (Excludin g all fuel types and vehicles).	
027	An individual, corporation or organization	a) Fire engines; trailers for fire- fighting purposes; fire extinguishers; other equipment and appliances of a specialized nature for firefighting purposes and identifiable as such includes headings 3917, 4009, 4203, 5909, 6201, 6203, 6401, 6402, 6506, 6812, 7307, 7311, 7325, 7412, 7419, 7609, 7613, 8201, 8205, 8307, 8405, 8413, 8414, 8424, 8425, 8426, 8481, 8531, 8705, 8716, 9013, 9405 and such headings as the Director may approve.	Free	Free	Free	The goods imported are not for sale.	The Director Dept. Customs & Inland Revenue
028	An individual, corporation or organization	Lifebelts, life buoys,	Free	Free	Free		The Director of Customs

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		4016,					
		4503, 4504,					
		6307,					
		6506, 7020,					
		9303 and					
		such headings					
		as the					
		Director may					
020	A	approve.					
029	A person or	a) Medical	Free	Free	Free	a) The person	The
	organization	supplies				or company	Director
		including				must obtain	responsible
		pharmaceutical				an approval	for Vila
		products,				from the	Central
		medical				Director	Medical
		equipment and				responsible	Store
		materials,				for Central	
		professional				Medical	
		tools,				Store;	

		instruments and apparatus. c) Vehicles (excluding government vehicles), machinery and equipment's used solely for medical services.				 b) That the goods are peculiarly adopted to correct a deformity of the human body; substitute any part of the human body; corrective spectacles (and similar goods as the Director may approve) c) The goods must be used solely for medical purpose. 	
030	A person or organization	Goods imported by or on behalf of the Government of Vanuatu or non- government groups or organizations.	Free	Free	Free	Goods imported for disabled persons. Goods (including components and materials used in the manufacture or repair of said goods) imported for the use of the blind, deaf, dumb and other	The Director of Customs & Inland Revenue

						disabled persons; parts and accessories of wheelchairs; (and such headings as the Director may approve)	
031	The owner, temporary owner or trustee	Engraved tombstones and memorial tablets and coffins containing deceased persons	Free	Free	Free	The goods are for the interment or grave marking in Vanuatu	Immediate family or trustee of the deceased
032	The owner or temporary trustee	All goods (including human remains)	Free	Free	Free	The goods were the personal property of a Vanuatu resident who died while temporari ly absent from Vanuatu; or the immediat e family of a Vanuatu resident, and are not intended to be used for the purposes	The owner, temporary owner or trustee

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						of trade and became the property of the owner, temporar y owner, or trustee under the will or the intestacy of the deceased resident, at the time the when the owner, temporar y owner, or trustee intestacy of the deceased resident, at the time the when the owner, temporar	
SECTIO	N 6 INTEDNA	TIONAL COOL					
033	Goods	a) Goods are			Free	a) That a	The
033	Goods admissible free of duty by virtue of an international convention or agreement signed by the Government of Vanuatu which are intended for the use of diplomatic, or other entitled organization	a) Goods are imported or purchased by a diplomatic mission of a foreign state or internation al organizatio n for use of the mission or	Free	Free	Free	a) That a signed copy of the conventio n or agreemen t is lodged with the Minister for Finance, together with a list	The Director of Foreign Affairs

	or missions or	organizatio					of people	
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034	A person or organization	Goods	Free	Free	Free	a)	Goods	a) Director
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		project					and local	

							governme nts by foreign states or internatio nal organizati on as aid in kind.	
035	A person or organization	Goods imported by or on behalf of such national development projects as approved by the Council of Ministers (with the exception of all types of fuel oil and motor vehicles falling within 8702 and 8703).	Free	Free	15%	a) b)	Such approval provided by the Council of Ministers is valid for 4 years; Any extension must obtain a new Council of Ministers approval; That the concessio n be subject to such condition s as the Director of Customs may impose.	A person approved by the Council of Ministers (COM)

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036	A person or organization	Goods imported by or on behalf of the Government of Vanuatu or non- government groups or organizations	Free	Free	Free	The goods are for disaster relief, funded by foreign states or international organizations and intended for free distribution for use in declared disaster areas.	The Director responsible for Disaster Managemen t
037	A person or organization or non- resident individual	Unsolicited goods donated by non- resident individual or organization for free distribution	Free	Free	Free	The goods are for disaster relief intended for free distribution for use in declared disaster areas.	Director of Customs and Inland Revenue
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038	A person or organization	Goods originally entered with customs, but short-landed, short shipped or over-entered and arriving subsequent to the initial entry	Free	Free	Free	Evidence in the form of shipping documents, invoices and declarations of the short- landing or over-entering be presented.	The Director of Customs & Inland Revenue
039	A person or organization	Goods exported from Vanuatu and subsequently re-imported in an unimproved state provided	Free	Free	Free	Evidence of exportation to be provided. The goods are re- imported	The Director of Customs & Inland Revenue

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						b) Of an age exceedin g one hundred years	
043	A person or organization	Aircraft Parts	Free	Free	15%	Aircraft parts with an airworthy certificate issued by International Civil Aviation Organization.	The Director responsible for Civil Aviation Authority
044	Airports Vanuatu Limited (AVL)	Goods imported exclusively for the use of aviation security, aviation safety and aviation navigation (excluding administration vehicles).	Free	Free	15%	International safety certificate for firefighting equipment, satellite and the like issued by ICAO	The Director responsible for Civil Aviation Authority

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