



30 May 2019

Mr. Pascal Schafhauser

Deputy Secretary-General
EFTA Secretariat
Rue de Varembeé, 9-11
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Dear Deputy Secretary-General Schafhauser:

This is in reference to your request for refund for unduly levied customs duties from the date of entry into force of the Philippines-European Free Trade Association Free Trade Agreement (PH-EFTA FTA).

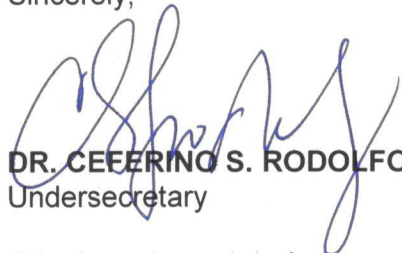
This is to inform you that all eligible importations filed from 1 June 2018 shall be qualified to file refund in accordance with Customs Administrative Order (CAO) No. 04-2019 on Duty Drawback, Refund, and Abatement. We have attached a copy of the said CAO for your reference. Claims for refund must be filed at the Office of the District Collector where the duty was levied within one year from the date of payment of duties and taxes, and approved claims for refund will be paid through tax credit certificates.

May we kindly request the EFTA Secretariat to kindly disseminate the said information to relevant stakeholders. For any queries or concerns with regard to the refund process, you may get in touch with the focal point below from the Bureau of Customs. Given the above, we would like to further request that the notice in the EFTA Secretariat website be revised accordingly.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,



DR. CEFERINO S. RODOLFO
Undersecretary

Attachment: as stated.

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