[BOC CUSTOMS MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 18-99, September 20, 1999]

REGISTRATION PROCEDURES FOR ELECTRONIC DATA INTERCHANGE (EDI)/DIRECT TRADERS INPUT (DTI) CLIENTS

1.0 Objectives

1.1. To establish a unified and simplified procedure for EDI/DTI clients registration

1.2. To promote the use of remote/electronic lodgment facilities in filing import entries to the Bureau

2.0. Scope

This Order shall apply only to importers/declarants lodging consumption and/or warehousing entries at the Port of Manila, Manila International Container Port and NAIA Customhouse.

The schedule of implementation of remote lodgment for other ports not currently equipped with the facilities for types of entries/transactions to be remotely lodged shall be covered by subsequent memoranda.

3.0. General Provisions

3.1. *Remote Lodgment Facilities at the Bureau* - The Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCCI), under its existing Memorandum of Agreement with the Bureau of Customs, shall provide the necessary Gateway infrastructure and telecommunications facilities to enable electronic lodgment of import entries via both DTI and EDI.

- Remote Lodgment through EDI — The EDI Gateway shall be the sole connection to BOC ACOS for this purpose. The EDI clients shall be connected to the Gateway via accredited Value Added Network (VAN) service providers of their choice who shall be responsible for installation of the necessary computer system at the importer's offices that will enable them to encode and transmit import entries to and receive the corresponding responses from BOC ACOS via the Gateway.

- Remote Lodgment through DTI — Clients registered for DTI lodgment shall provide their own computer equipment at their premises, following specifications issued by the Bureau of Customs. The Bureau of Customs shall provide the ASYCUDA++ DTI module to the client. However, the PCCI shall undertake installation of this software, together with the other third-party provided support software.

3.2. The remote lodgment facility shall be made available to duly registered