

**[ BOC MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 9-98, April 13, 1998 ]**

**MODE OF PAYMENT OF DUTIES & TAXES FOR GOVERNMENT IMPORTATIONS AND IMPLEMENTING JOINT CIRCULAR 5-98 & DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET & MANAGEMENT INSTRUCTIONS**

**1  
Objective**

To facilitate the clearance of government importations and ensure compliance with the objectives and intents of Joint Circular 5-98.

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Coverage**

The supplemental documentary requirements, evaluation procedure, mode of settlement of duties and taxes & provisional release procedure provided for in this order shall be applicable only to importations of National Government Agencies (NGAs).

All other government importations shall be processed as any regular importation.

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General Provisions**

3.1 The Presidential Veto of Section 13 of the General Provision of R.A. No. 3522 (1998 General Appropriations Act) suspended the automatic appropriation for national internal revenue taxes and import duties payable to the National Government by National and Local Government, Agencies as well as Government Owned and/or controlled Corporation, including the Armed Forces of the Philippines Commissary Exchange Service (AFPCES) and the Philippine National Police Storage System (PNPSSS).

3.2 The procedure for clearing NGA importations shall conform to the existing clearance procedures being observed at the port of discharge except that the settlement of the duties and taxes payable shall be covered by this order.

3.3 Importations of GOCCs, LGUs, AFPCES and PNPSS shall only be released upon payment of full duties and taxes. Entries shall be directly filed at the ports of discharge and duties and taxes paid prior to release.

3.4 Like with GOCCs and LGUs, importations of NGAs must as a general rule be duty and tax paid prior to release and handled as in 3.2 and 3.3. However, so as not to incur storage and demurrage charges and to allow sufficient time for NGAs without