

Custom Directorate
Custom Bureau # 6
Da-Nang Custom Office

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The Chief of Da-Nang Custom Office

TO: The Agents of Ships

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Recently, it has been noted that a number of Agents have forgotten to notify their ship's masters of the necessity of carrying out custom procedures upon their arrival at the harbor. As a result, violations have occurred and those at fault have said that they were not properly notified by their Agents. This has caused difficulties for our personnel in carrying out their missions.

In order to avoid embrassement for ship's masters and crews of the ships you represent, you are kindly requested to implement the following upon arrival of your ships at the Da-Nang Commercial Harbor:

-Notify us of the arrival and departure of the ship 24 hours in advance,

-Permit our custom officers to inspect:

1. The Ship's manifest,
2. The Ship's Log, (journal du Bord)
3. The list of Ship's food and material (Liste de provisions du Bord),
4. The list of the foreign currency in the Ship's cash-box (Liste de devises de la caisse du Bord),
5. The list of Seamen's foreign and local currency,
6. The Passenger list,
7. The Crew List,
8. The list of weapons and ammunition,
9. The list of anaesthetics and other drugs (If the ship does not have any of these drugs, a list marked 'none' is required.)

In addition, you are kindly requested to observe the following instructions:

-Cigarettes above a week's ration (200 cigarettes) must be collected, wrapped up and locked in the seamen's respective cabins,

-Seamen's currency must be kept in the Captain's cabin,

-Food, alcohols (such as brandy, whiskey, etc..) and perfumes which are subject to high taxes, must be kept in the store-rooms, except for the permitted quantity,

-Seamen who want to bring anything ashore must have a permit issued by our office,

-When a ship needs to be provided with fuel, food, or wishes to open its cigarette and alcohol store-rooms, it must request permission from our office,

-When a ship arrives, none of its crew-members are allowed to go ashore before the responsible customs personnel come for a check and inspection.

Our office hopes that you will inform Ship's masters of the foreign ships which arrive at the Da-Nang harbor of the above-mentioned points in order that violations may be avoided and that the concerned may not be provided with excuses.

With our best wishes,

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