GUIDELINE ON THE ISSUANCE OF BACK-TO- BACK/ TRANSSHIPMENT NON-PREFERENTIAL CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (B2B NPCO)

1. OBJECTIVES

- 1.1. The objectives of this guideline are:
 - 1.1.1. To streamline issuance of B2B NPCO with the current B2B CO Operational Certification Procedure (OCP) under the existing regional FTAs.
 - 1.1.2. To explain the actual concept of Back-to-Back (B2B) / Transshipment activities; and
 - 1.1.3. To standardize the certification procedures for the Back-to-Back (B2B) / Transhipment Non-Preferential Certificate of Origin (NPCO).

2. ISSUING AUTHORITY

- 2.1. The issuing authority for NPCO (including the Back-to-Back NPCO) are Chambers and Associations (C&As) authorised by MITI.
- 2.2. The eligibility and appointment criteria of the authorized C&As are as stipulated in paragraph 2 and 3 of the Guidelines on Issuance of the Non-Preferential Certificate of Origin dated 1 September 2015.

3. ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1. The exporters and/or the manufacturers of the products including their authorised agents shall apply for the B2B/Transshipment NPCO from the authorised C&As.
- 3.2. B2B NPCO shall only be issued for goods that are in transit / transshipped in Malaysia before being re-exported to the next importing country.
- 3.3. Goods to be re-exported must be retained in Customs Control Area (CCA) or in any area/premise under monitoring and control of the Royal Malaysian Customs Department (RMCD)/Port Authority/Port Operator while being in transit/transhipped in Malaysia.

3.4. The consignment to be re-exported must not undergo any further processing in Malaysia that may compromise the origin status of the first exporting country, except for storing, break-bulking, repacking, relabelling, preserving and transportation/logistics activities such as unloading and reloading.

4. CERTIFICATION PROCEDURES

- 4.1. Country of origin in the B2B NPCO must carry the origin status of the first exporting country.
- 4.2. Each B2B NPCO shall only bear one (1) country of origin. Mixture or combination of more than one (1) country of origin in one B2B NPCO is totally prohibited.
- 4.3. A valid original certificate of origin (CO) from the first exporting country must be presented to C&As upon application for B2B NPCO. The list of documents required for application of B2B NPCO is as per <u>ANNEX I</u>.
- 4.4. In the case of partial shipments, the partial export value shall be shown. The total quantity to be re-exported under the partial shipment should not exceed the total quantity as indicated in the CO from the previous exporting country.
- 4.5. The period of validity of the B2B NPCO should not exceed the period of validity of the first exporting country's CO.

5. REPORTING AND MONITORING

C&As are required to submit a monthly report to MITI on B2B NPCO issued. Format of the report is as follows:

Company's Name	HS Code	Description of goods	FOB Value (RM)	Destination	Total CO

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CHECKLIST OF DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR APPLICATION OF BACK-TO-BACK/TRANSSHIPMENT NON-PREFERENTIAL CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (B2B NPCO)

<u> PART I</u>:

MANDATORY DOCUMENTS

Note: All documents must be presented upon application for B2B NPCO

1. Documents from the First/Previous Exporting Country (\sqrt{IX})

(a)	Certificate of Origin	
(b)	Invoice	
(c)	Bill of Lading / Delivery Note	
(d)	Packing List	

2. Documents from the Intermediate Country (Malaysia)

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(a)	Invoice	
(b)	Bill of Lading / Delivery Note	
(c)	Packing List	

PART II:

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS REQUIRED

Note: Documents listed in either <u>ONE</u> of the following Category must be <u>presented concurrently</u> with documents in <u>PART I</u>.

Category 1 : Companies Operating in Bonded Warehouse/Free Zone (\sqrt{X})

(a)	Customs K8 Declaration / ZB Form (Import)	
(b)	Customs K8 Declaration / ZB Form (Export)	

Category 2: Companies with Goods in Transit/Transshipment in Malaysia

(a)	Customs K8 Declaration / ZB Form (Transhipment)	

Category 3: Companies with Licensed Manufacturing Warehouse (LMW)

(a)	Customs K1 Declaration (Import)	
(b)	Customs K2 Declaration (Export)	
(c)	Licensed Manufacturing Warehouse from RMCD (for existing license holder)	
(d)	Approval Letter on Value Adding Activities (VAA) or "Kelulusan Menjual Alat Ganti Sebagai Warranty Parts" from Royal Malaysian Customs Department (RMCD)	
(e)	Letter of Undertaking*	

Category 4: Companies with Regional Distribution Centre (RDC) / International Procurement Centre (IPC) / Principal Hub (PH)

(a)	Customs K1 Declaration (Import)	
(b)	Customs K2 Declaration (Export)	
(c)	Licensed Manufacturing Warehouse from RMCD (for existing license holder)	
(d)	Letter of Regional Distribution Centre (RDC) / International Procurement Centre (IPC) / Principal Hub (PH) status from MIDA (<i>for existing license holder</i>)	
(e)	Letter of Undertaking*	

Note:

*Letter of Undertaking shall bear:

- i. assurance from applicant that the goods to be re-exported have not undergone any substantial processes that may compromise the origin status of the first exporting country, other than the permissible activities as in paragraph 3.4 of this guideline;
- ii. commitment that applicant shall be fully accountable and liable in case of any fraud, falsification, wrongdoing and/or due diligence related to the details or information declared by the applicant during application for B2B NPCO; and
- iii. will or intention of applicant to accept any legal action and/or any other possible consequences with regard to fraud, falsification, and wrongdoing and/or due diligence related to the details or information declared by the applicant during application for B2B NPCO.