Checklist & Documentations for key Trade Transactions

Import Transactions

- A. Advance Import Payments
- 1. Request Letter
- 2. Proforma Invoice / Sales Contract signed by both parties. Payment Terms to reflect as Advance.
- 3. Declaration confirming that the advance payment does not involve trade with any counterparties/countries /shipping lines /ship flags /ports / shore listed under OFAC/UN sanctions

- 1. Payment terms on the invoice should call for Advance Payment
- 2. Adequate balance should be available in the account for making the advance import payment
- For every Advance Import Payment, the payment would be made based on satisfactory due diligence on the Overseas Party. Request you to contact your RM 2-3 days prior of Advance Payment
- 4. Original Import License would be required in case the goods fall under the category of for in case the goods imported are in negative/restricted list of Import in India
- 5. Bill of entry should be submitted within 90 days (3 years in case of capital imports)
- 6. RBI/FEMA guideline will be applicable from time to time

- B. Direct Import Payment
- 1. Request Letter
- 2. Commercial Invoice
- 3. Copy of Transport Documents (Bill of Lading/ Lorry Receipt /Air Way Bill etc.)
- 4. Original exchange control copy of Bill of Entry (BOE). (CA certificate should be provided in lieu of BOE in case of software imports)

- 1. Receipt of import documents by the importer directly from overseas suppliers is allowed subject to certain conditions as specified in the RBI circular
- 2. Adequate balance should be available in the account for making the Direct Import Payment
- Original Import License would be required in case the goods fall under the category of or in case the goods imported are in negative/restricted list of Import in India
- 4. In case BOE is not available due to goods in transit, declaration should be provided for submission of the BOE within 15 days
- 5. Reasons for delay in payment should be furnished where the payment is delayed more than 6 months from date of shipment
- 6. Bill drawn by any counterparties/countries /shipping lines /ship flags /ports / shore listed under OFAC/UN sanctions would not be handled by us.
- 7. RBI/FEMA guideline will be applicable from time to time

- C. Payment against Import Bill for Collection
- Request Letter (Received from ICICI Bank, Branch along with Bill Presentation Memo)
- 2. Accepted Bill of Exchange in case of usance Bill

- 1. Covering Schedule of Foreign Bank should expressly confirm that the bill is drawn under URC 522 of ICC
- 2. Bill of Exchange to be stamped as per Indian Stamp Act if usance period is 90 days or more.
- 3. Bill drawn involving any counterparties/countries /shipping lines /ship flags/ports/ shore, listed under OFAC/UN sanctions would not be handled by us.
- 4. RBI/FEMA guideline will be applicable from time to time

Export Transactions

- A. Export Bill for Collection / Export Bill for Collection Under LC
- 1. Request letter
- 2. Original GR / Shipping Bill
- 3. Transport Document (Bill of Lading / Airway Bill / Lorry Receipt etc.)
- 4. Custom Invoice
- 5. Packing List
- 6. Bill of Exchange
- 7. Phytosanitary Certificate
- 8. Certificate of Origin
- 9. Insurance Cover Note / Certificate
- 10. Original Letter of Credit (If Bill drawn under LC)

- 1. Bill to be submitted within 21 days from the date of Shipment
- 2. Tenure of Usance Bill should be within 270 days from the date of shipment.
- 3. Bill value should not be greater than GR Value
- 4. If export payments is made by party other than buyer or consignee such third party name should be mentioned in GR and invoice and such payments are subject to RBI conditions.
- 5. RBI/FEMA guideline will be applicable from time to time
- B. Advance Payment against export
- 1. Disposal Instruction for settling the transaction in Current a/c or EEFC a/c
- 2. Copy of Proforma Invoice / Sales Contract

Note:

- 1. For advance received towards exports of goods IEC (Import Export Code allotted by DGFT) is mandatory
- 2. Export Proof to be submitted to bank for every Advance Remittance received
- 3. Export to be made within 1 year of Advance Remittance received
- 4. Export Bill to be submitted within 21 days from the date of Shipment.
- AD Category I banks should normally dispatch shipping documents to their overseas branches / correspondents expeditiously. However there are few exceptions wherein direct dispatch of documents to overseas party is allowed subject to RBI conditions
- 6. For export of software SOFTEX form to be submitted which would be generated through STPI / SEZ
- 7. RBI/FEMA guideline will be applicable from time to time
- C. Regularisation of Advance Payment Received against Export
- 1. Original GR / Shipping Bill
- 2. Transport Document (Bill of Lading / Airway Bill / LR etc)
- 3. Custom Invoice
- 4. Packing List
- 5. Bill of Exchange
- 6. Original LC (If Bill drawn under LC)

- 1. Export to be done within 1 year from the date of Advance Remittance Received
- 2. Bill to be submitted within 21 days from the date of Shipment
- 3. Tenure of Usance Bill should be within 270 days from the date of shipment.
- 4. Bill value should not be greater than GR Value
- 5. Any Third Party involved should be mentioned in GR and such payment are allowed subject to RBI condition
- 6. RBI/FEMA guideline will be applicable from time to time

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