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## ANNOUNCEMENT

*(English translation of the circular- (IUL) 14-LAS/1/2020/29)*

**Reference is made to Maldives Transport Authorities regulation number R-52/2020 (Maldives shipping agency services Regulation), Gazetted on July 16, 2020**

Article 4 (a) of the aforementioned regulation states that only those registered as a shipping agency at the Maldives Transport Authority can render services as a Shipping Agent in The Maldives. It also states in its article 5 that upon the enactment of this rule, companies offering shipping agency services in The Maldives must register their shipping agency with the Maldives Transport Authority within 30 (Thirty) days. After this period, no company must render shipping agency services without registering at the Maldives Transport Authority. However, according to the circular number: (IUL)202-/1/2020/58 dated 15<sup>th</sup> August 2020 of Maldives Transport Authority, the period for registration has been given extension till 15<sup>th</sup> September 2020.

Hence, shipping agents registered at Maldives Customs Service with issued licenses under Customs General Regulation (2011/R-41) are advised to get registered with the Maldives Transport Authority before 16th September 2020 and submit the documents of registration to Maldives Customs Service.

In addition to this, please be informed that from 16th September 2020 onwards, the companies seeking to get new shipping agent license and renewal of the shipping agent license issued under article 477 and 229 of Customs General Regulation must be registered as a shipping agent at Maldives Transport Authority and shall endorse these document of registration in Maldives Customs Services prior to seeking the shipping agency services.

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