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Subject: Provision for verification of the exporters declaration (self certification basis) on the Rules of Origin under GSP Scheme – amendment in Para 2.104 (c) of Handbook of Procedures, 2015-2020.

**S.O.** (E): In exercise of powers conferred under paragraph 1.03 and 2.04 of the Foreign Trade Policy, 2015-2020, the Director General of Foreign Trade hereby revises para 2.104 (c) of Handbook of Procedures, 2015-2020 to insert the provision for verification of the exporters declaration (self certification basis) on the Rules of Origin under GSP Scheme as under:

## 2.104 Existing para

(c) The European Union (EU) has introduced a self-certification scheme for certifying the rules of origin under GSP from 1.1.2017 onwards. Under the Exporter System (REX) Registered introduced from 1.1.2017, exporters with a REX number are able to self-certify the Statement on Origin of their goods being exported to EU under the GSP Scheme. The registration on REX is without any fee or charges. The details of the scheme are at Annex 1 to Appendix 2C.

The competent Local Authorities would undertake post verification of self certified Certificate of Origin based on the request of the importers/customs agencies of the importing country and the fee to be changed is detailed in Appendix 2K.

Agencies may charge TA and DA, as per government rates, separately from the unit

## 2.104 Revised para

- (c) (i) The European Union (EU) has introduced a self-certification scheme for certifying the rules of origin under GSP from 1.1.2017 onwards. Under the Registered Exporter System (REX), exporters with a REX number are able to self-certify the Statement on Origin of their goods being exported to EU under the GSP Scheme. The registration on REX is without any fee or charges. The details of the scheme are at Annex 1 to Appendix 2C.
- (ii) The competent Local Authorities would undertake post verification of self certified Certificate of Origin based on the request of the importers/customs agencies of the importing country and the fee to be changed is detailed in Appendix 2K. Agencies may charge TA and DA, as per government rates, separately from the unit.
- (iii) Further, as per the conditions required to avail GSP benefit under self certification system, the beneficiary country needs to have a verification system of such self certified certificates of origin. The standard operating

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procedure for verification of the self certified eCoOs, to
be followed by all Authorized agencies/Local
Administrators is detailed in Annex II to Appendix 2C.

Effect of this Public Notice: Procedure for verification of exporters declaration (self 3. certification basis) on the Rules of Origin under GSP Scheme under Chapter - 2 of Handbook of Procedures, 2015-2020 inserted in papa 2.104 of Handbook of Procedures, 2015-2020.

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