For information

Legislative Council Panel on Trade and Industry

Withdrawal of Paper Lodgement of Import and Export Declarations

Introduction

Further to LC Paper No. CB(1) 1938/98-99, this paper updates Members on the current position regarding the implementation of the Community Electronic Trading Service (CETS).

Background

- 2. To cater for those traders who may not use electronic data interchange to submit Import and Export Declarations (commonly known as Trade Declarations or TDECs in short) after April 2000, Tradelink has provided a network of electronic trading access service (ETAS) centres for converting paper submissions into electronic ones. Currently there are 25 such centres (Annex A). In October this year, Tradelink introduced a postal lodgement facility and set up drop-off boxes in five locations (Annex B). TDECs so received by Tradelink are converted into electronic submissions in the same way as submissions received by the service centres.
- 3. Pamphlets setting out the locations of the service centres and drop-off boxes as well as introducing Tradelink's postal lodgement services are made available at the Hong Kong collection counters of the Customs and Excise Department and the 25 service centres.
- 4. Since the closure of the Kowloon collection counters of the Customs and Excise Department in October, the number of TDECs processed through ETAS has doubled. The service continues to operate smoothly.

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Locations of Tradelink Service Centres

Central

Chinese General Chamber of Commerce 4/F, 24-25 Connaught Road

Chinese Manufactures' Association 1/F, CMA Building, 64 Connaught Road

Federation of Hong Kong Industries 24, Des Voeux Road

Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce 22/F, World Wide House, 19 Des Voeux Road

The Indian Chamber of Commerce 2/F, Hoselinee House, 69 Wyndham Street

Causeway Bay

Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce 10/F, Capital Centre, 5-19 Jardine's Bazaar

Tsim Sha Tsui

Chinese Manufacturers' Association Room 521, Ocean Centre, 5 Canton Road

Federation of Hong Kong Industries Suite 727, Ocean Centre, 5 Canton Road

Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce 14/F, Sands Building, 17 Hankow Road

Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce 7/F, Fullcorp Centre, 53-55 Chatham Road

The Indian Chamber of Commerce Suite 1006, Albion Plaza, 2-6 Granville Road

Mong Kok

Tradelink Service Centre 6/F, Trade Department Tower 700, Nathan Road

Chinese Manufacturers' Association Suite 701-3, Wai Fung Plaza 664 Nathan Road

Federation of Hiong Kong Industries Suite 1701, Wai Fung Plaza 644 Nathan Road

Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce 22/F & 23/F, Silvercorp International Tower 707-713 Nathan Road

Cheung Sha Wan

Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce 10/F, Cheung Sha Wan Plaza, Phase 2 833 Cheung Sha Wan Road

To Kwa Wan

Dah Sing Bank Ltd. 237A, To Kwa Wan Road

Kowloon Bay

Dah Sing Bank Ltd. Unit P19, Telford Gardens

Kwun Tong

Chinese Manufacturers' Association 16/F, Po Shau Centre, 115 How Ming Street

Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce 23/F, Tower 1, Millennium City 388 Kwun Tong Road

Sha Tin

Tradelink Service Centre Level 7, Tower II Grand Centre Plaza 138 Sha Tin Rural Committee Road

Kwai Chung

Tradelink Service Centre 13/F, Manhattan Centre 8 Kwai Cheong Road

Tsuen Wan

Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce Rm 1047, Nan Fung Centre, 264-298 Castle Peak Road

Dai Sing Bank Ltd. 14-16 Tai Ho road

Yuen Long

Dah Sing Bank Ltd. 59B On Ning Road

Locations of Tradelink Drop-off Boxes

Shau Ki Wan

Dah Sing Bank Ltd. 57-87 Shau Ki Wan Road

Sham Shui Po

Dah Sing Bank Ltd. 142 Cheung Sha Wan Road

Hung Hom

Dah Sing Bank Ltd. Shop A, G/F, 4-6 Dock Street

San Po Kong

Dah Sing Bank Ltd. 10 Choi Hung Road

Kwun Tong

The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corp. Ltd. 3/F, 1 Yue Man Square