## GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN MINISTRY OF COMMERCE

Islamabad, the April 7, 2022.

## NOTIFICATION

Subject:

PROCEDURE FOR OPERATIONALIZATION OF BARTER TRADE UNDER THE AGREEMENT ON BARTER TRADE BETWEEN QUETTA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (QCCI), PAKISTAN AND ZAHIDAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (ZCCI), IRAN

No.2(4)/2021-IMP-III. — In terms of provisos to paragraph 3 of the Export Policy Order 2020 and paragraph 3(1) of the Import Policy Order 2020, trade between Pakistan and Iran shall also be allowed under Barter Trade arrangement, as agreed under the Barter Trade Agreement between Quetta Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Pakistan and Zahidan Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Iran.

- 2. Conduct of bilateral trade under the above referred Barter Trade Agreement shall be subject to the following terms and conditions / procedure:
  - a. Barter trade under the Barter Trade Agreement (hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement") between Quetta Chamber of Commerce & Industry (hereinafter referred to as "QCCI"), Pakistan and Zahidan Chamber of Commerce & Industry (hereinafter referred to as "ZCCI"), Iran shall be allowed on net-off basis, subject to the provisions of Import and Export Policy Orders in force.
  - b. The Customs shall introduce a special Goods Declaration (GD) code, namely "BT", for Barter Trade in WeBoC to keep track of all such transactions and facilitate accounting of the bartered goods.
  - c. QCCI shall establish a barter trade cell in the chamber for documentation and monitoring of Barter Trade balance with Iran.
    - QCCI shall open a bank account for domestic payments in Pak rupees against the bartered goods.
  - e. QCCI shall register exporters and importers who intend to avail the facility of Barter Trade with Iran.
  - f. Export shall be allowed on the basis of a permission letter issued to the exporter by QCCI indicating the quantum and value of goods to be exported by the concerned exporter. Prior to grant of permission to an exporter QCCI shall ensure that funds amounting to the value of the export permission are available in the bank account opened by QCCI for barter trade.
  - g. QCCI shall make payment to Pakistani exporters in Pak rupees upon receiving a confirmation from ZCCI that the goods have been received in Iran.

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- h. Import shall be allowed on the basis of a permission letter issued to the importer by QCCI indicating the quantum and value of goods to be imported by the concerned importer.
- i. Copies of export and import permissions issued by QCCI shall also be shared with the concerned Collector of Customs.
- j. Value of the goods bartered under the Agreement shall be settled and declared in Pak rupees.
- k. QCCI shall indicate "declared value" in WeBoC data for monitoring of barter trade balance. To this effect, FBR/Pakistan Customs shall allow QCCI access to WeBOC through a specific log-in ID and password.
- 1. Customs will share "BT" data with Quetta Chamber on monthly basis.
- m. Both QCCI and ZCCI will reconcile the barter trade statistics/volume on quarterly basis, to determine any outstanding amounts which can be netted-off through import/export of goods or any other means agreed between two chambers.
- n. QCCI shall formulate a barter trade dispute resolution mechanism in consultations with ZCCI, as envisaged in the Agreement besides fulfilling any other requirements given in the Agreement.
- o. There shall be no liability on the Government of Pakistan resulting from barter trade under the Agreement.
- p. To meet expenditures arising out of services rendered by the QCCI for trade transactions carried out under the Agreement, a certain minimum fixed amount of fee shall be charged by QCCI.
- 3. Ministry of Commerce, Government of Pakistan reserves the right to amend, vary, suspend and rescind this Notification at any time.

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- 3. The President, Pakistan Federation of Chambers of Commerce & Industry, Karachi.
- 4. The President, Quetta Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Quetta.