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**The Honourable Secretariats
SACU-SADC-TKC
Transport and Customs Divisions**

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DISCONTINUATION OF USING RUBBER STAMPS ON THE RSA CONSIGNMENT AND PASSENGER NOTES

Dear Sir/Madam

The Cross Border Road Transport Agency ("the Agency") presents its compliments to the tripartite Secretariats and has the honour to refer to the above matter.

The Agency would like to inform the Secretariats of the changes with regard to the stamping of the consignment notes. The South African Revenue Services has embarked on a Customs Modernisation Process which is aimed at improving security as well as efficiency at our Ports of Entry.

In light of the above, a National decision has been reached to do away with manual stamping of Freight and Passenger Cross Border Transport notes by Customs officials as it has been a common practice. The Secretariats are therefore being informed of the above and requested to sincerely communicate the same to all stakeholders dealing with the secretariats.

The stamping of the Freight Consignment Notes is replaced by an electronically generated CN1 and/or CN2 forms where applicable and these instruments are officially recognised by the South African Authorities as replacements of the rubber stamps formally used by customs officials. Our Law Enforcement agencies have been informed accordingly, therefore NO stamping of consignment notes will be necessary, but operators would be required to provide copies of the CN1 and/or CN2 forms mentioned above in the place of the stamp

The Agency would like to assure the Secretariats of its highest regard at all times. We look forward to your response and co-operation in this regard

Sincerely,

Mr. Mudunwazi Baloyi,
Executive Manager: Facilitation and Industry Development.