[CUSTOMS MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 4-2002, JANUARY 9, 2002, January 09, 2002]

SAFEGUARD MEASURES VS. IMPORTATIONS CERAMIC FLOOR AND WALL TILES

Pursuant to instructions contained in the 1st Indorsement, dated 11 December 2001 and received by this Office on 08 January 2002, issued by Sec. JOSE ISIDRO N. CAMACHO, Department of Finance, relative to the DTI Order in Safeguard Case No. 01-2001 Re: IN THE MATTER OF THE PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION OF THE SAFEGUARD MEASURES CASE AGAINST THE IMPORTATION OF CERAMIC FLOOR AND WALL TILES FROM VARIOUS COUNTRIES, with information that proper notifications have been issued to the WTO Safeguards Committee and the ASEAN members countries in compliance with Articles 6.3 and 8 of the ASEAN-CEPT Agreement;

It is hereby directed that all importations of ceramic floor and wall tiles, glazed and unglazed, classified under HS Codes 6907.9000 and 6908.9000 from all countries, except those from Thailand, India, Sri Lanka and Iran, shall be imposed, in addition to taxes and duties and other charges, a cash bond amounting to P5.40 per kg.

Upon the effectivity of this Order, covered shipments entered in or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall be subject to the aforestated safeguard measure.

This Order shall take effect starting 09 January 2002 and shall remain in force for the next 200 days.

For compliance.

Adopted: 09 Jan. 2002

(SGD.) TITUS B. VILLANUEVA CESO I

Commissioner

Attachment:

IN THE MATTER OF THE PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION OF THE SAFEGUARD MEASURES CASE AGAINST THE IMPORTATION OF CERAMIC FLOOR AND WALL TILES FROM VARIOUS COUNTRIES (SAFEGUARD CASE NO. 01-2001)