

**[SRA SUGAR ORDER NO. 5, S. 2003-2004,
February 06, 2004]**

RULES AND REGULATIONS ON IMPORTED PREMIX SUGAR

WHEREAS, premix sugar, as presently classified under Sub-Heading No. 2106.90 of the Harmonized System (HS) Tariff and Customs Code, is being imported for use in the making of beverages or food preparations for domestic consumption;

WHEREAS, the aforesaid premix is basically sugar in substance and in essence;

WHEREAS, there is an immediate need to closely monitor the importation of premix sugar in order not to jeopardize the primary objective/function of the Sugar Regulatory Administration (SRA) of maintaining a balanced and rationalized supply of sugar in the domestic market for the long term interest of the sugar industry;

NOW, AND THEREFORE, under and by virtue of the authority vested in the Sugar Regulatory Administration (SRA), it is hereby ordered that:

SECTION 1. Scope and Definition - This Sugar Order shall apply to all imported premix sugars, defined as - articles/products containing more than 65% by dry weight of sugar derived from sugarcane, sugar beets or whatever origin mixed with other ingredients or substances used as raw material in the making of beverages and food for human consumption.

SECTION 2. Premix Import Certificate - The importer/consignee of imported sugar covered by this Order shall apply for a Premix Import Certificate (PREMIC) with the SRA, said PREMIC shall serve as import allocation for a given year prior to importation.

The importer/consignee shall submit to SRA the following documents, to serve as bases in granting them their PREMIC, to wit:

1. Industrial Technology and Development Institute (ITDI) Certification on quantity of premix sugar used on domestic products.
2. Domestic sales invoices and summary of sales of previous/current year of the locally produced commodity/ies containing premix sugar
3. Corporate up-to-date documents: