

**[BOC CUSTOMS MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 9-97,
April 04, 1997]**

**TREATMENT OF PERISHABLE GOODS PURSUANT TO SECTION
2607 OF THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE AS AMENDED**

I.

OBJECTIVES :

1. To protect the interest of the government as well as the claimant on importations of perishable goods undergoing seizure proceedings.
2. To provide a smooth, orderly and efficient system of disposing perishable goods pending seizure proceedings.

II.

SCOPE :

This Order shall cover goods liable to perish or be wasted under Section 2607 of the TCCP, as amended.

III.

GENERAL PROVISIONS :

A. Goods liable to perish or be wasted are eligible for immediate disposition pursuant to Section 2607 of the TCCP when certified to by the Customs Examiner/Appraiser under the following conditions:

1. Live animals under Chapter 01 of the HS Code which may die due to:
 - 1.1 Exposure to extreme temperature.
 - 1.2 Inadequate holding area facilities.
2. Goods covered by Chapters 02-23 of the HS Code which may spoil due to :
 - 2.1 Growth of micro-organism.
 - 2.2 Enzyme action.