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The following Act was passed by Parliament on 19 March 2018 and assented to by the President on 11 April 2018:—

REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE

No. 16 of 2018.

I assent.

HALIMAH YACOB,
President.
11 April 2018.



An Act to amend the Regulation of Imports and Exports Act
(Chapter 272A of the 1996 Revised Edition).

Be it enacted by the President with the advice and consent of the
Parliament of Singapore, as follows:

Short title and commencement

1. This Act is the Regulation of Imports and Exports (Amendment) Act 2018 and comes into operation on a date that the Minister appoints by notification in the *Gazette*.

Amendment of section 2

2. Section 2(1) of the Regulation of Imports and Exports Act (called in this Act the principal Act) is amended —

- (a) by deleting the definition of “goods in transit”;
- (b) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “registered user”, the following definition:

““relevant decision of the United Nations Security Council” means any decision of the United Nations Security Council in resolutions made under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations signed at San Francisco on 26 June 1945;” and

- (c) by deleting the definition of “tranship” and substituting the following definitions:

““tranship” means to remove goods from one conveyance to another for the purpose of taking them out of Singapore;

“transit” means to bring goods into Singapore from a place outside Singapore for the purpose of taking them out of Singapore on the same conveyance on which they were brought into Singapore;”.

Amendment of section 16

3. Section 16 of the principal Act is amended —

- (a) by deleting subsection (6) and substituting the following subsection:

“(6) Where any goods are found concealed, or in respect of which any document which ought to be produced is not produced, in any vessel or aircraft or which are not shown on any manifest or list required to be produced, being goods —

(a) the import, export, carriage coastwise, shipment as ships’ stores, carriage as aircraft stores or transshipment of which is prohibited, either absolutely or conditionally by any regulations made under section 3; or

(b) the transit through Singapore of which —

(i) a requirement to inspect goods on board the vessel or aircraft is imposed pursuant to any written law giving effect to any relevant decision of the United Nations Security Council; and

(ii) is prohibited, either absolutely or conditionally by any regulations made under section 3,

the goods may be seized by an authorised officer and shall be liable to forfeiture in the same manner as if an offence had been committed in respect of the goods.”; and

(b) by deleting subsection (8) and substituting the following subsection:

“(8) An authorised officer may exercise the powers conferred by this section in respect of a vessel underway if —

(a) the authorised officer reasonably suspects that any goods on board the vessel are intended to be landed or transhipped in Singapore; or