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Report Highlights:

This report provides an overview of the general procedures for re-selling containerized cargo after arrival to Indonesia. The specific requirements for any particular shipment may differ from the procedures outlined in the report. Exporters are advised to work closely with their importer or agent to ensure all Customs requirements are met.

Indonesia's requirements for re-selling (or re-consigning) cargo after arrival can present a major challenge for exporters. As stated in Ministry of Finance Regulation No.158/ 2017, amended by Ministry of Finance Regulation No.97/2020 on Procedure for Notification Inward and Outward Cargo Manifest, the Customs and Excise Office at the port of arrival must follow an established procedure to update consignee information. This process includes interviews with both the former and new consignee of record. Notably, the process requires full cooperation and consent from the former consignee before any update to the existing manifest may occur. This can create a situation where, despite still possessing full ownership of the cargo, an exporter's ability to both re-sell or re-export the cargo is entirely dependent on the consent of the former consignee. Therefore, exporters are cautioned to ensure their Incoterms account for and minimize such potential risk.

Re-selling containerized cargo that has already arrived at an Indonesian port requires an approval letter from Indonesian Customs. Without this letter, the cargo will remain on customs hold as a result of the Customs cargo manifest system not updating to reflect the new importer information (note: carriers may transmit manifest information to local customs in advance of actual arrival). To obtain the approval letter, the steamship line, carrier or authorized agent must make a formal request to the local port Head of Customs and Excise Office. If all documentation is in order and all parties are in agreement the process can be completed in approximately ten business days.

Required Documents

- a. A formal request letter from steamship line, carrier, or authorized agent;
- b. Copy of the Bill of Lading (i.e. House Bill of Lading, Sea Waybill, Master Bill of Lading);
- c. Copy of Invoice and Packing List;
- d. Copy of Purchase Order/ Sales Contract (for previous consignee and current consignee);
- e. Statement letter (with stamp duty) from carrier, former consignee and new consignee;
- f. Statement letter from Shipper/Exporter;
- g. Copy of correspondence (any written communication) between the relevant parties on the purchasing order, B/L change and redress request;
- h. Copy of former consignee's legal documents; ID (Director), Tax ID and deed or company registration of the former consignee;
- i. Authorization letter from carrier if the process will be assigned to an agent (third party).

An example of the required documents and Customs letters can be found in at the below link. Although in Bahasa Indonesia, this information may be useful to provide to new and former consignees, carriers or local agents assisting with the reassignment of cargo.

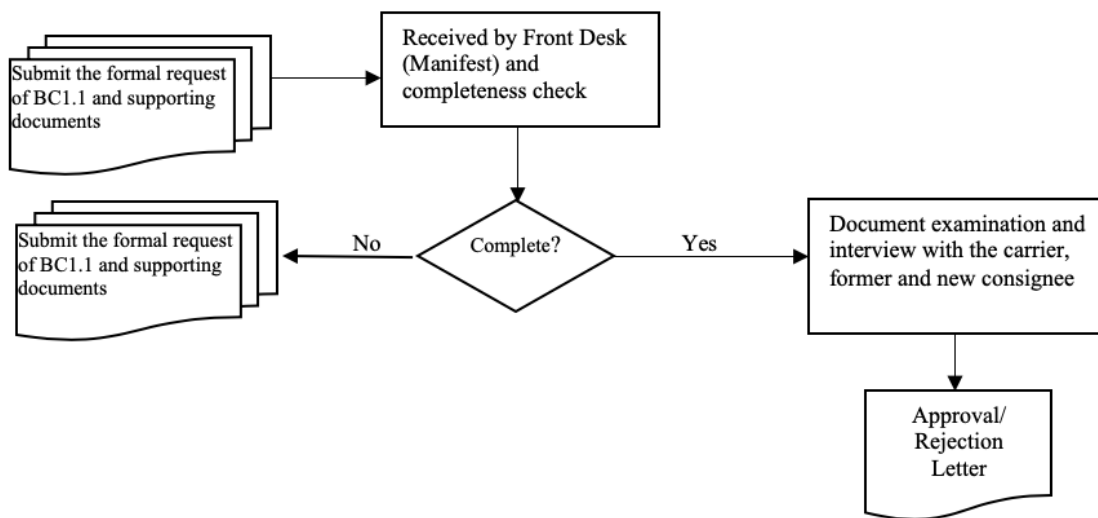
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The below steps outline the general process and procedures once the above referenced documentation has been compiled:

Process and Procedures

1. The carrier or authorized agent submits the formal request accompanied by supporting documents to the Head of local Customs and Excise Office through Front Desk Manifest.
2. The Front Desk officers receive and examine the documents;
 - If the documentation is complete, it will be submitted to the Head of local Customs and Excise Office,
 - If the document is not complete, it will be returned to the carrier or authorized agent
3. The Head of local Customs and Excise Office receives and examines the request and delegates the file to the Section-Head of Administrative Manifest.
4. The Section-Head of Administrative Manifest will carry out the examination of the documents and interviews with the carrier or agent, former consignee and new consignee.
5. The result will be given to the Head of local Customs and Excise Office for issuing the approval or rejection letter.

Flowchart



Attachments:

No Attachments.