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Sub: Simplified bond module covering both custodianship and transshipment-multiplicity and multi-utilisation of bond-Reg.

Attention is invited to the trade and all concerned to the CBEC, Circular No.47/2005 Cus issued vide F.No.450/66/2005 Cus IV dated 24<sup>th</sup> November 2005 as per which an Inter Ministerial Group(IMG) headed by Secretary(Revenue) examined various issues relating to simplification of customs procedures. IMG felt that the issues relating to multiplicity of bond and multi-utilisation of bond need to be addressed. The Group felt that if the same person is required to file two different bonds to a single Customs authority under different provisions of customs procedures, then one single bond can incorporate all such requirements and the existing bond module of the EDI should be utilized for all requirements of bond. The Group felt that it would ensure better monitoring and simplification of procedures.

2. In this connection reference is invited to Board's Circular No.78/2001 Cus dated 7<sup>th</sup> December 2001 wherein it is prescribed that the custodians of ICDs/CFs operating as carriers of transshipment cargo between gateway ports and their ICDs/CFs shall amend the terms and conditions of their bank guarantees executed with Customs for custodianship of ICDs/CFs to cover safety and security of cargo being transhipped by them. The details of such bank guarantees shall be informed to the Commissioner of Customs having jurisdiction over the gateway port. The custodians of ICDs/CFs shall be allowed to transship the cargo against the said bank guarantee and they will not be required to execute a separate bank guarantee for transshipment.

3. Further Board's circular No.34/2000 Cus dated 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2000 provide for "Mother bond" in order to avoid multiplicity of bond for same purpose i.e., transshipment. As per the provisions, the carriers may execute Mother Bonds instead of individual bonds. Such bonds will be accepted and maintained by the Commissioners of Customs at the port of origin and these will be like running bonds. These will be credited on receipt of proof of safe landing of containers at the port of destination. The value of Mother Bond can be arrived on the basis of the average number of containers carried in the vessel, time taken for submission of proof of safe landing of containers at the destination ports, frequency of such transshipment as well as the average value for containers.

4. In view of existing circulars efforts should be made to reduce multiplicity of bond. Further EDI system of Customs has a "Bond module" which will be fully utilized once "message exchange facility" is operationalised between two ports. The implementation of bond module for re-crediting is in conformity with the provisions of the Customs Act, 1962.

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5. After such discharge of the bond amount covering a particular transaction; the value of mother bond will be credited to that extent. In an online environment, such recredit to the extent of the bond amount which gets discharged as stated above, would be done automatically in the system on receipt of electronic message between Gateway Port and destination Port or between two customs stations.

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