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## DEFERRED IMPLEMENTATION OF CHANGES TO THE REGULATION OF KNOWN CONSIGNORS IN LIGHT OF COVID-19 SITUATION

I refer to the Airport Security Circular dated 13 June 2019 on the 'Regulation of Known Consignors' informing you of Singapore's upcoming plans to strengthen the regulation of known consignors, in fulfilment of Singapore's obligations as a Member State of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO).

- The COVID-19 situation has since emerged and is rapidly evolving. This has adversely impacted our firms and industries, including the transport and logistics sectors.
- To help affected entities better cope with the challenging economic climate, the Airport Police Division (APD), in consultation with the Ministry of Transport and the Ministry of Trade and Industry, will defer implementing the changes to the regulation of known consignors from the originally scheduled date of 1 October 2020 to 1 April 2021. The registration of known consignors under the Known Consignor Regime (KCR) will now commence in the fourth quarter of 2020. Further details on the registration will be made known subsequently.
- APD would like to urge potential consignor applicants to continue to work on the necessary processes <sup>1</sup> to secure the handling, transporting and storing of cargo, as per the regime's requirements. Airfreight terminal operators and regulated air cargo agents are also encouraged to review their existing processes to ensure a smooth transition when KCR is implemented.

5 Should you have any queries, please email them to <a href="mailto:spf">spf</a> rcar kcr@spf.gov.sg.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The relevant processes are deemed to begin from the time the consignor originates the cargo until the cargo is handed over to a cargo agent / freight forwarder.

## Appendix i.

Airport Security Circular dated 13 June 2019



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