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Dear Customs client

Onboarding of Cargo Reporters on Registration Licensing and Accreditation (RLA) system

Cargo reporters have historically registered for cargo reporting purposes using the manual (DA8) process.

On 20 April 2020, SARS launched a secure online Customs Trader Portal (CTP) to submit registration and licensing applications to Customs through eFiling. Initially, due to anticipated volumes, the use of this channel was restricted to new applications only.

SARS, in consultation with cargo reporter associations such as the South African Association of Ship Operators and Agents (SAASOA), the South African Association of Freight Forwarders (SAAFF), and the Air Cargo Operators Committee (ACOC) have agreed to embark on a process to onboard cargo reporters onto the RLA system, and SARS requires your participation in the on-boarding process.

This forms part of a larger drive to migrate various existing client types onto the new updated RLA system. During this on-boarding process, priority will be given to cargo reporters (e.g., Carriers, NVOCCs, cargo facility operators and freight forwarders) who currently only have a cargo reporter's code and who do not have a customs client number.

SARS recently hosted a webinar on the RLA system. Please click on the link provided below to view the session, which provided more insight into registering for and utilising the RLA platform.

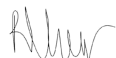
Follow this link to view the webinar: [Registration, Licensing and Accreditation \(RLA\) - YouTube](#)

For more information about Registration, Licensing and Accreditation please click on this link:

<https://www.sars.gov.za/customs-and-excise/registration-licensing-and-accreditation/>

For more information about Reporting of Conveyances and Goods (RCG), please click on this link: <https://www.sars.gov.za/customs-and-excise/about-customs/reporting-of-conveyances-and-goods/>

Sincerely,



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