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Dear Customs client

Discontinuation of General Codes – Extension

The letter "Discontinuation of General Codes", dated 11 May 2022, has reference.

We previously advised that SARS, in consultation with the South African Express Parcel Association (SAEPA), the South African Association of Freight Forwarders (SAAFF), and the Air Cargo Operators' Committee (ACOC), have agreed to discontinue the Non-Registered Cargo Reporter Code "ZZZ99999" from 1 June 2022, and the Ex Courier Code "000" from 20 June 2022.

SARS has received requests to allow an extension to give cargo reporters additional time to register, complete their systems development, and ensure that changes are made to their operational processes to accommodate these measures.

As SARS is committed to working with and through stakeholders to increase tax compliance, the expiry date in respect of both the above codes will be extended to **31 July 2022**.

All couriers, freight forwarders, clearing agents and importers submitting cargo reports and customs clearance declarations to SARS using these codes are urged to take the necessary corrective measures relating to the registration of cargo reporters and the proper reflection of master air waybill numbers, respectively.

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

Sincerely,

BEYERS THERON DIRECTOR: CUSTOMS BORDER OPERATIONS, PORTS OF ENTRY & CUSTOMS COMPLIANCE