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Subject: Zanzibar Import - COC (Certificate of Conformity) is Mandatory

Dear Valued Customer,

We would like to draw your immediate attention on attached circular from Zanzibar Bureau of Standards (ZBS) for inspecting and verifying the quality of products destined to Zanzibar in countries of origin prior to shipment from 1st November, 2016. This is done under the Pre-Export Verification of Conformity to Standards (PVoC) programme. Please refer to the attached circular to the public for details.

We highly appreciate you to strictly comply with the new regulation for expediting cargo delivery in Zanzibar. Otherwise, any penalties, delay or any extra costs will be on shippers and consignees.

Please contact our local Sales and Customer Service Representatives for details and bookings.



NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

IMPLEMENTATION OF PRE-SHIPMENT VERIFICATION OF CONFORMITY TO STANDARDS (PVoC)

Zanzibar Bureau of Standards (ZBS) will start inspecting and verifying the quality of products destined to Zanzibar in countries of origin prior to shipment from **1st November**, **2016**. This is done under the Pre-Export Verification of Conformity to Standards (PVoC) programme.

ZBS wishes to remind all importers and the public in general that all consignments are required to be verified for conformity to the requirements of applicable standards before shipment to Zanzibar. The consignments which comply with the standard requirements will be issued Certificate of Conformity (CoC).

Consignments which are not accompanied with CoC will be subjected to **15% penalty (CIF value)** and then be subjected to Destination Inspection.

Consignments that do not comply with the standards requirements, will be reexported to the country of origin or destructed at the owner's cost.

To avoid this inconvenience, all importers are urged to ensure their consignments are verified by one of the following ZBS PVoC partner who may be contacted all over the world

- ≻ SGS
- Bureau Veritas

Details of their locations throughout the world are posted at our website: <u>http://www.zbs.go.tz</u>.

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