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CUSTOMS NOTICE 09-004

Expansion of Customs Self Assessment (CSA) to Mexico

1, Please be advised that the Customs Self Assessment (CSA) is amending the definition of eligible goods to include commercial goods that have been shipped directly from the United States **or Mexico**, and there is no requirement under any Act of Parliament or of the legislature of a province or any regulation made under such Act that a permit, licence or other similar document be provided to the Agency before the goods are released.

2. This Customs Notice allows for CSA clients to enjoy the benefits of the CSA program for all goods coming from Mexico going to all industry sectors, effective **immediately**, while the definition of "eligible" goods in the *Reporting of Imported Goods Regulations* and *Accounting for Imported Goods and Payment of Duties Regulations* is amended. It is anticipated that the regulatory changes will be completed in 9 to 12 months.

- 3. The CSA clearance process will remain as it is today:
 - (a) importer is CSA approved;
 - (b) carrier is CSA approved;

(c) in highway mode, the driver is registered as outlined in the *Presentation of Persons (2003) Regulations*; and

(d) the goods are eligible, which now includes all goods from Mexico going to all industry sectors.

4. For more information on this process, please refer to D-Memorandum 17-1-7 *Customs Self Assessment Program for Importers* and D-Memorandum 3-1-7 *Customs Self Assessment Program for Carriers*. Please note that the D memos are currently being updated to reflect this change and should be completed shortly.

5. Any questions may be directed to:

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