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EGYPT INTRODUCES NEW RULES ON MANDATORY REGISTRATION FOR MALAYSIAN FACTORIES

THURSDAY, 10 MARCH 2016, KUALA LUMPUR: The Arab Republic of Egypt has announced through its Ministerial Decree No.43 issued on 2 February 2016 on a mandatory requirement for all foreign factories to register with the Egyptian General Organisation for Export and Import Control (GOEIC) before exporting to Egypt.

According to the Decree, which will take effect on 16 March 2016, Malaysian factories must make a one-off online registration with GOEIC on its website and the application must also include the following documents:

- i. A certificate of the legal status of the factory and the production license
- ii. A statement of the products produced by the factory and the trademarks
- iii. The trademark of the product and the trademark used under license from the owner
- iv. A certificate to prove that the factory implements a quality control system. Such certificate shall be issued from the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC), the International Accreditation Forum (IAF) **or** from any Egyptian **or** foreign government entity approved by the Minister of Foreign Trade Egypt

The application and these documents must then be submitted to the Egyptian Embassy in Kuala Lumpur for authentication (stamping and verification signature by the Consulate General Section). After completing the process, the documents will have to be submitted by-hand to GOEIC by the factory's (applicant) legal representative or agent.



The Egyptian Embassy has also clarified that Malaysia External Trade Development Corporation's (MATRADE) office in Cairo, Egypt could also submit the registration documents on behalf of Malaysian factories to the GOEIC, provided that the Malaysian factories issue an authorisation letter to MATRADE Cairo.

Among the list of products that require the mandatory registration are milks and its product (except for infants), dried and preserved fruits, oils and fats, chocolates and food preparation containing cocoa as well as baths, shower bath, wash basins, lavatory pans seats and covers. The full list of products included can be downloaded at http://www.goeic.gov.eg/en/index_r.asp.

Malaysian companies planning to export or are already exporting to the country can contact MATRADE's Cairo Marketing Officer Ms. Ghada Fayek Fouad by emailing to cairo@matrade.gov.my or to ice@matrade.gov.my.

MATRADE, an agency under the Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI), strongly encourages Malaysian exporters to register their factories with GOEIC by or before 16 March 2016 to avoid difficulties exporting to Egypt.

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About MATRADE

The Malaysia External Trade Development Corporation (MATRADE) was established on March 1, 1993 as the external trade promotion arm of Malaysia's Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI). Its functions are:

- To promote, assist and develop Malaysia's external trade with particular emphasis on the export of manufactured and semi-manufactured products and services;
- To formulate and implement export marketing strategies and trade promotion activities to promote Malaysia's export;
- To undertake commercial intelligence and market research and create a comprehensive database of information for the improvement and development of Malaysia's trade;
- To organise training programmes to improve the international marketing skills of Malaysian exporters;
- To enhance and protect Malaysia's international trade investment abroad; and
- To promote, facilitate and assist in the services areas related to trade.