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To: Members of the Council

<u>Sub: Update on the Advanced Cargo Information System for exports to Egypt</u>

Dear Member,

This is with reference to the many queries received by the Embassy of India in Cairo from Export Promotion Councils and Indian Chambers' of Commerce regarding the Advanced Cargo Information System implemented since 1st October 2021. In this regard, the Indian Mission in Cairo met with senior officials of Misr Technology Services, the Implementing Agency for the Advanced Cargo Information System, on 2nd November 2021. Some of the notable points conveyed by the Egyptian side are given below for information:

- The Egyptian side conveyed that as on 01 November, 2021, there were over 55,000 exporters who have registered on the single window portal CargoX platform of which 2800 are Indian companies.
- The one-time fee for registering for the CargoX platform is USD 15.
- ACID numbers are issued to the importer upon their registration in the Egyptian system which is then to be communicated to the Indian exporter prior to shipment.
- The validity of an ACID number is 6 months from the date of its issuance.
- Cost of registration of each new shipment is US \$150 with an additional cost of US\$ 3 per document uploaded (total fee capped at US\$ 165).
- <u>Issue of raising the minimum purchase units from US\$ 150 to US\$ 400</u> The Egyptian side conveyed that the US\$ 400 is a wallet balance that can be additionally recharged upon number of shipments. As per Egyptian side, this was done due to requests from exporters who had to recharge their wallets frequently. However, Indian Mission has requested the Egyptian side to consider bringing the minimum purchase unit to US\$ 150 which they have agreed to examine.
- The cost of registration is uniform for exporters from all countries.

• There are three unique identifiers required prior to export of items to Egypt: a) Unique Exporter ID generated by the CargoX system; b) Unique Id of the importer that will be available with the registered importer and c) a unique ACID number for the shipment.

If there are any specific issues, the Indian Mission has requested the exporters to write to support@cargox.io or info@cargox.io (for CargoX related queries) and nafeza@mts-egy.com (for ACID related, documentation uploading, etc.) with a copy to the Indian Mission at com.cairo@mea.gov.in.

This is for your kind information.

Regards,

Dr. Siddhartha Rajagopal Executive Director

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