

# LINCOLN LEGAL SERVICES (MYANMAR) LIMITED

## **NEWSLETTER 115 - 13 June 2023**

## Dear Readers,

Welcome to a new edition of our newsletter.

#### **New VPA penalties**

The SAC's Ministry of Planning and Finance issued a new schedule of "VPA (valid for prior arrival) penalties" with effect from 9 June 2023 (English translation). Most goods require an import license prior to their arrival at a Myanmar port; the penalties are imposed if the goods arrive before the issuance of the license. The new schedule is as follows:

| Sr. | Offence  | Regularly imported vehicles/machines, vehicles imported in projects |                                | General goods         |              | Remarks  |
|-----|--|---|--------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|--|
|     |  | Explanation   | Penalty                        | Explanation           | Penalty      |  |
| 14  | Arrival of the goods prior to the approval of the "valid for prior arrival (VPA)" license/ permit; obtaining an amendment of the license/ permit after the goods arrived | 1 day to 20<br>days   | Exempt                         | 1 day to 30<br>days   | Exempt       | (1) Exemption from VPA penalties for up to 45 days for CMP items.  (2) Exemption from VPA penalties for aircraft spare parts.  (3) Regarding license/permit renewal, if the renewal is late, but the renewal is consecutively allowed, there is no need to take action under this article. |
|     |  | 21 days to<br>30 days   | 1/24 AV<br>[assessed<br>value] | 31 days to<br>40 days | 1/90 AV      |  |
|     |  | 31 days to<br>40 days   | 1/4 AV                         | 41 days to<br>50 days | 1/48 AV      |  |
|     |  | 41 days to<br>50 days   | 1/2 AV                         | 51 days to<br>60 days | 1/24 AV      |  |
|     |  | 51 days to<br>60 days   | 1 AV                           | 61 days to<br>70 days | 1/8 AV       |  |
|     |  | 61 days and<br>more   | Confiscation                   | 71 days to<br>80 days | 1/4 AV       |  |
|     |  |   |                                | 81 days to<br>90 days | 1 AV         |  |
|     |  |   |                                | 91 days and<br>more   | Confiscation |  |



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We hope that you have found this information useful.

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