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**Traders and Declaring Agents** 

Dear Sir/Madam

# IMPLEMENTATION OF UNITED KINGDOM - SINGAPORE MUTUAL RECOGNITION ARRANGEMENT

The United Kingdom (UK) - Singapore Mutual Recognition Arrangement (MRA) on Authorised Economic Operators (AEO) will be operational with effect from 1 Aug 2023. Under this MRA, companies certified under Singapore Customs' Secure Trade Partnership-Plus (STP-Plus) programme can now benefit from facilitated clearance for their goods exported to the UK. Likewise, companies accredited under UK's AEO programme<sup>1</sup> will enjoy similar facilitation on their goods exported to Singapore.

#### Exporting to or Importing from United Kingdom's Authorised Economic Operators (UKAEO) Companies

2 For Singapore companies who are exporting to or importing from UKAEO companies, please obtain the AEO code, also known as Economic Operators Registration and Identification number (EORI), from your UK business partner (a UKAEO company).

The AEO code/ EORI comes in the following format:



3 The AEO code/ EORI should be declared in the TradeNet export or import declaration in the following manner:

Declaration Field	Information to be declared
Customs Procedure Code (CPC)	AEO
Processing Code 1 (PC1)	GB
Processing Code 2 (PC2)	XXXXXXXXXXXXX

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Refers to UK companies that hold AEO Security and Safety (AEOS) and/or AEO Full (AEOF) status.

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# STP-Plus Companies Exporting to or Importing from United Kingdom

4 For STP-Plus companies who are exporting to or importing from UK, please provide your STP code to your business partner in UK to be declared in the export or import declaration submitted to His Majesty's Revenue and Customs in UK. Your business partner in UK need not be a UKAEO.

## **Domestic Facilitated Clearance for STP-Plus and STP Importers and Exporters**

5 To enjoy a higher level of facilitated clearance in Singapore, STP-Plus and STP importers and exporters are reminded to declare their STP code in the TradeNet import and export declarations as illustrated below.

The STP Code comes in the following format:



Declaration Field	Information to be declared
Customs Procedure Code (CPC)	AEO
Processing Code 1 (PC1)	SG
Processing Code 2 (PC2)	XXXXXXXXXXXXX

## **Clarifications**

6 If you require further clarifications, please email your enquiries to us at <u>customs\_schemes@customs.gov.sg</u>.

Yours faithfully

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We hope that this circular has been written in a way that is clear to you. If not, please let us have suggestions on how to improve this circular at customs\_schemes@customs.gov.sg

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