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To: The Chief Executive and Certification Manager of all Issuing Bodies

Dear Chamber Colleagues,

Re: Requests to Stamp Algerian Certificates of Free Marketing

Temporary Procedure

Further to "O" Notice O-1-2018 issued on the 11th January by the BCC regarding the stamping of Certificates of Free Sale the BCC is introducing a temporary procedure to allow Issuing Bodies to stamp Certificates of Free Marketing that are being requested by the Algerian authorities.

The procedure is as follows:

Ask the exporter to complete the Certificate of Free Marketing on their headed paper as per attached template. No alternative wording can be used.

Ask the exporter to complete and sign the attached indemnity letter on their headed paper.

The Chamber should always seek evidence that the goods comply with the standards stated in the Certificate of Free Marketing, however in exceptional circumstances where no evidence is available the Chamber can still stamp the Certificate but should make a note of this for their records and inform myself by email. Examples of the type of evidence that would be acceptable are ISO Certificates, CE Marking compliance folders etc. Once the Chamber is satisfied it can stamp the document with the authenticating stamp.

The Chamber should also seek evidence of the origin of the goods in the same manner as for a Certificate of Origin.

This procedure should not be used for food and agricultural products, a Government certificate should be obtained, further guidance can be found here:

https://www.gov.uk/quidance/export-food-and-agricultural-products-special-rules

Yours sincerely

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