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

Dear Chamber Colleagues,

## **EUR-MED Guidance**

Since January this year following the UK leaving the single market Chambers have been reporting an increase in the number of applications for EUR-MED Movement Certificate although the overall number of applications are still low. The EUR-MED is very similar to an EUR1 but there are some important differences so we have put together the attached guide on how they should be completed which is also available on Freshdesk.

EUR-MED Movement Certificates unlike EUR1's are not linked to individual trade agreements but to the Pan European Mediterranean (PEM) agreement which the UK has not signed and this is causing confusion both for exporters and customs authorities. Government argues that as the language relating to PEM was rolled over with the trade agreements then UK should be able to issue EUR-MED's where referenced in said trade agreements. If you go to the individual trade advice for each country that can be found <a href="here">here</a> and click on the country, then the Rules of Origin section you will see if EUR-MED's can be issued. However, if the goods are not of UK origin, we suggest that you warn your exporter that the certificate may not be accepted by the importing countries customs authority and duty may be payable.

We cannot offer clearer guidance than this on whether the documents will be accepted as it is at the discretion of the overseas Customs Authority. Where possible we suggest an EUR1 is issued.

If you have any questions, then please get in touch.

Yours

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