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8. The DGFT has since amended para 2.32 of the Handbook of Procedure (Volume-I) vide their Public Notice No.16/2004-09 dated 15.10.2004.

9. It may be noted that under the Home Ministry's fax message dated 15.10.2004 the State Governments have also been advised to give 15 days grace period to the importers and factory owners to voluntarily declare the existence/discovery of any shells/explosives in the metal scrap lying in their premises.

10. These instructions may be implemented forthwith to ensure quick evacuation/clearance of consignments of metal scrap lying at various Customs stations.

11. The difficulties, if any, in implementing these procedures, should immediately be brought to the notice of the Board.

12. The above guidelines may be brought to the notice of the Trade immediately through appropriate Public Notice/Trade Notice.

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F. No. 450/108/2004-CUS-IV
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Circular No. 60/2004-Cus

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Clearance of imported metal scraps - Procedure regarding.

I am directed to invite your attention to the Board's Circular No. 56/2004-Cus, dated 18th October, 2004 on the above mentioned subject and to say that the Directorate General of Foreign Trade

vide Public Notice No.18/2004-09, dated 21.10.2004 have further amended the Para 2.32 (i) (I) of Handbook of Procedure (Vol. I). As per this the requirement of pre-shipment inspection certificate to be accompanied with the imported metal scrap in **unshredded, compressed or loose form** should be as per the format in **Annexure-I to Appendix-28** and **not Annexure to Appendix-8** as notified by DGFT's vide Public Notice No. 16/2004-09, dated 15.10.2004. Accordingly, the Board hereby makes following amendment in the Circular No. 56/2004-Cus, dated 18.10.2004.

In para 5(iii), for the portion beginning with the word and number "Annexure-1" and ending with the words, brackets and number "Handbook of Procedure (Vol. II)", the following shall be substituted, namely :-

"Annexure-1 to Appendix-28 from any of the Inspection and Certification Agencies given in Appendix-28 of the Handbook of Procedures (Vol. I)".

2. Further, the field formations have also expressed doubts regarding para 4(i) of the Board's Circular No. 56/2004-Cus, dated 18.10.2004 as to whether in such cases the containers should be allowed to be removed after payment of Customs Duty or in bond. It is clarified that such facility has been provided to manufacturer-importers of metals scrap which have landed on or before 25.10.2004, keeping in mind the congestion at Port/ICD. The containers may be allowed to be removed to premises of manufacturer-importer only for examination purpose whereas the Customs Duty has to be pre-deposited by the importer before removing the containers from Port/ICD.

3. The above instructions may be brought to the notice of the Trade immediately through appropriate Public Notice.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

We have been informed by the Ministry of Commerce & Industry that with a view to check the malpractice of overloading of wagons, Ministry of Railways has recently launched an intensive drive. The main idea is to stop the leakage of revenue as well as possibilities of damage to rolling stock, as many railway users have been carrying more than the declared weight of cargo. The overloading was detected in case of commodities like coal, iron ore, limestone, manganese ore, cement, bauxite, sponge iron etc. All concerned are, therefore, requested to cooperate with Indian Railways to ensure that under weightment and overloading is completely avoided and help Indian Railways to directly contribute to the efficiency of foreign trade in the country as well as efficiency of Railways infrastructure.