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To: All Importers, Exporters, Traders, Freight Forwarders, Declaring Agents, Cargo Agents and Carriers of Alpha-Phenylacetonitrile, also known as APAAN, and its optical isomers

**SCHEDULED SUBSTANCES CONTROLLED BY DIRECTOR, CENTRAL NARCOTICS BUREAU (CNB)**

CNB is the approving authority for controlled substances listed in the Third Schedule of the Misuse of Drugs Act (MDA) since 5 September 1999. A circular dated 31 August 1999, which includes a list of the controlled substances, has been circulated to all traders. For easy reference, the updated controlled substances list as of 1 Sep 2014 is enclosed at Annex A.

2. As of 1 Sep 2014, Alpha-Phenylacetonitrile, also known as APAAN, and its optical isomers will be included in Part 1 of the Third Schedule under the Misuse of Drugs Act (MDA) Chapter 185.

3. With this inclusion, the manufacture, supply, possession, import or export of APAAN and its optical isomers for the purpose of manufacturing of a controlled drug, would contravene Section 10A of the MDA. Any person convicted of this offence shall be punished with imprisonment not exceeding 20 years or with a fine not exceeding \$200,000 or with both. Persons found to have imported or exported this substance without a permit from CNB can be prosecuted under Misuse of Drugs (Controlled Equipment, Material and Substances) Regulations and punishable with imprisonment not exceeding 3 years or with a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or with both.

4. With effect from 1 Sep 2014, traders intending to import, export or transship APAAN and its optical isomers shall declare to CNB 14 days before the effective date of import, export or transshipment.

5. If you require further clarification, please contact Mr. Toh Soon Teck, Senior OC Precursor Control Unit, Central Narcotics Bureau at 6557 3229 or 6325 1184 or Fax 6224 9087 or e-mail [CNB\\_Chemical\\_Enquiry@cnb.gov.sg](mailto:CNB_Chemical_Enquiry@cnb.gov.sg).

6. Thank you for your kind cooperation.

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## ANNEX A (as of 1 Sep 2014)

S/N	CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES <sup>1</sup>	HS CODES
1.	Toluole	27072000
2.	Potassium permanganate	28416100
3.	Toluene also known as <i>Methylbenzene</i> or <i>Phenylmethane</i> .	29023000
4.	Diethyl Ether ; <i>Ethyl Ether</i> or <i>Ethyl oxide</i> or <i>Diethyl oxide</i> or <i>Ethoxyethane</i> or <i>1,1"-Oxybisethane</i>	29091100
5.	Acetone ; <i>2-Propanone</i> or <i>Dimethyl ketone</i>	29141100
6.	Butanone ; <i>Methyl Ethyl Ketone</i>	29141200
7.	Phenylacetone ; <i>Phenylpropan-2-one</i> or <i>1-phenyl-2-propanone</i>	29143100
8.	Acetic Anhydride ; <b><i>Acetic oxide</i></b>	29152400
9.	Phenylacetic acid and its salts ; <b><i>Benzeneacetic acid</i></b> or <b><i>a-Toluic acid</i></b>	29163400
10.	Anthranilic acid and its salts ; <i>o-Aminobenzoic acid</i>	29224300
11.	2-Acetamidobenzoic acid ; <i>N-acetylanthranilic acid</i> or <i>N-Acetyl-o-aminobenzoic acid</i>	29242300
12.	Isosafrole ; <i>1,2-(Methylenedioxy)-4-propenylbenzene</i>	29329100

<sup>1</sup> As per specified under the Third Schedule of the Misuse of Drugs Act

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13.	1-(1,3-Benzodioxol-5-yl)propan-2-one ; <i>3, 4-methylenedioxyphenyl-2-propanone</i>	29329200
14.	Piperonal ; <i>3,4-(Methylenedioxy)benzaldehyde or Piperonylaldehyde</i>	29329300
15.	Safrole ; <i>4-Allyl-1,2-methylenedioxybenzene.</i>	29329400
16.	Piperidine and its salts ; <b><i>Hexahydropyridine</i></b>	29333200
17.	Ephedrine and its salts ; <i>b-Hydroxy-N-methylamphetamine</i>	29394100
18.	Pseudoephedrine (INN) and its salts ; <i>b-Hydroxy-N-methylamphetamine</i>	29394200
19.	Ergometrine (INN) and its salts ; <i>Ergonovine or Ergobasine or</i> <i>[8b(S)]-9,10-Didehydro-N-(2-hydroxy-1-methylethyl)-6-methyl-6-</i> <i>methylergoline-8-carboxamide</i>	29396100
20.	Ergotamine (INN) and its salts ; <i>12"-Hydroxy-2"-methyl-5"a-(phenymethyl)ergotaman-3",6",18"-</i> <i>trinone</i>	29396200
21.	Lysergic acid and its salts ; <i>9,10-Didehydro-6-methylergoline-8b-carboxylic acid</i>	29396300
22.	Norephedrine and its salt ; <i>Phenylpropanolamine (dl-norephedrine)</i>	29394400
23.	Norpseudoephedrine and its salt ; <i>threo-1-Phenyl-1-hydroxy-2-aminopropane or</i> <i>(R,R)- <math>\alpha</math>-(1-Aminoethyl)benzenemethanol</i>	29394900

24.	Medicaments containing ephedrine (also known as <i>b-Hydroxy-N-methylamphetamine</i> ) or pseudoephedrine (also known as <i>b-Hydroxy-N-methylamphetamine</i> ), not put up for retail sale	30034000 or 30039000
	Medicaments containing ephedrine (also known as <i>b-Hydroxy-N-methylamphetamine</i> ) or pseudoephedrine (also known as <i>b-Hydroxy-N-methylamphetamine</i> ), put up for retail sale	30044090 or 30049051 or 30049059
25.	Alpha-Phenylacetonitrile, also known as APAAN, and its optical isomers	29269000

<sup>1</sup> As per specified under the Third Schedule of the Misuse of Drugs Act

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S/N	CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES <sup>1</sup> (PCD controls import while CNB controls export and transshipment)	HS CODES
26.	Hydrogen Chloride ; Hydrochloric Acid	28061000
27.	Sulphuric acid; oleum	28070000

<sup>1</sup> As per specified under the Third Schedule of the Misuse of Drugs Act