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To: FIATA Licence Holder

Dear FIATA Licencee,

Subject: Introduction of non-negotiable FIATA Multimodal Transport Waybill (FIATA FWB) in Hong Kong

FIATA documents have an excellent reputation and are recognized as documents of tradition and trust all over the world. They greatly contribute to the facilitation of international exchanges and are valuable instruments in the service of world trade. HAFFA has been appointed by FIATA to authorize the issue of its documents since the late 1980s.

Currently, being a FIATA Licence holder, your company is legally authorized to issue the FIATA documents (namely FIATA Multimodal Transport Bill of Lading “FBL” and Forwarders Certificate of Receipt “FCR”). We are delighted to announce that **with immediate effect, apart from FBL and FCR, your company is also entitled to issue another FIATA document namely “FIATA Multimodal Transport Waybill” (FWB) in Hong Kong.**

Information of the FWB

FWB is a carrier-type transport document set up by FIATA for the use by freight forwarders acting as Multimodal Transport Operators (MTO) and it can also be used as sea waybill. **The document is not negotiable.** It has been deemed by the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) to be in conformity with the UNCTAD/ICC Rules for Multimodal Transport Documents published by ICC. Therefore, the FWB bears the ICC logo alongside the symbol of the national freight forwarders association (i.e. HAFFA logo in Hong Kong). Contrary to the FBL, **the FWB must not be presented by the consignee for the delivery of the goods at destination.**

When issuing a FWB, authorized freight forwarders have to insure their liability in accordance with the FWB conditions and they should ensure that:

- (1) they have taken over the goods specified therein and that the right of disposal of these goods is solely vested in them;
- (2) the goods appear to be in apparent good order and conditions;
- (3) details on the document correspond with the instructions they have received;
- (4) responsibility for the cargo insurance cover has been agreed upon with the consignor.



Sample FWB

Interested FIATA Licencee may obtain **a free sample copy of FWB** from the HAFFA office during office hour **with company chop** for reference.

Address: 8/F, China Hong Kong Centre, 122-126 Canton Road, Tsimshatsui, Kowloon

Office Hour:

Mon – Fri (09:00 – 17:00) Lunch (12:50 – 14:00) Sat (09:00 – 12:50) Sun & Public Holidays: Closed

Price of FWB

If you wish to issue FWB, similar to FBL and FCR, **you may obtain from HAFFA at the price of HK\$280.-/100 sets.** Or, **you may print your own FWB, according to the sample provided, upon written approval of HAFFA.** By doing so, you need to file a copy of your document at HAFFA for record purpose.

For the sake of clarity we list out the price of all FIATA documents below for your reference:

FBL HK\$380.-/100 sets (minimum order: 100 sets)

FWB HK\$280.-/100 sets (minimum order: 100 sets)

FCR HK\$280.-/100 sets (minimum order: 50 sets, i.e. HK\$140.-/50 sets)

Again, you may print all the above documents according to the sample provided, upon our written approval and file a copy of your document at HAFFA for record purpose.

Taking this opportunity, we would like to draw your attention that regardless of printing your own FBL / FWB or obtaining the said documents from HAFFA, **the name and full address indicating the place of business, including telephone, fax number and e-mail address of your company have to be imprinted on the FBL / FWB in the top right hand field of the document.**

Should you require further information, please feel free to call us at 2796 3121.

Thank you for your kind attention.

With best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Alice Lui", written over a vertical line that extends downwards.

Alice Lui
Director
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