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INFORMATION ALERT

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Certificate of Origin Update For Shipments to UAE

Please see attached update from the Arab-British Chamber of Commerce / Embassy of United Arab Emirates in London with regards to new regulations for Certificates of Origin for all shipments into the UAE.

We have been advised by the Chamber of Commerce that the attached takes immediate effect and any shipments arriving into the UAE without the correct documentation will be held by Customs, potentially incurring additional costs such as storage at the arrival port or airport until the correct documentation is produced.

Note that Arab-British documents can take **approximately three weeks** to be completed and this may result in delays on urgent air freight shipments.

The UAE consists of seven Emirates:

Abu Dhabi

Ras Al Khaimah

Ajman

Sharjah

Dubai

Umm Al Quwain

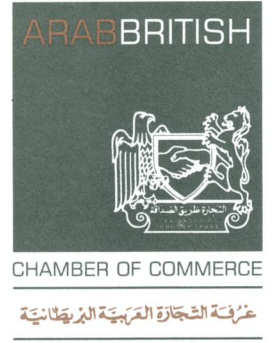
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**To all Agent Chambers / Members****Circular 753****UAE Update**

We have been requested by the Embassy of the United Arab Emirates in London to **re-affirm** the proceedings of all shipments from United Kingdom to UAE, **that an Arab-British Certificate of Origin** must be completed, then duly certified by the Arab-British Chamber of Commerce and thereafter to be forwarded to the Embassy for legalisation. This is also the procedure for **invoices and all other commercial documents**.

The Embassy of the United Arab Emirates in London, confirms that under the Rules & Regulations of the UAE Authorities that henceforth, all verification/attestation of documents would be done by the Embassy through the **Arab British Chamber of Commerce in London**, failure to fulfil the requisite conditions will not be considered.

We therefore ask that our agent chambers ensure that exporters are advised of the above and that issuance of letters of indemnity should only be actioned as a last resort.

Thank you for your cooperation

Mr A El-Idrissi
Director of Trade Services

P.S. Kindly sign and stamp this circular and return a copy to this office