ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT Ministry of Finance The Minister

DECREE NO. (573) OF 2008 PROMULGATED BY THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND THE MINISTER OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY

The Minister of Finance and the Minister of Trade and Industry,

Having reviewed the following:

- Customs Law No. 66 of 1963 and its amendments;
- Import and Export Law No. 118 of 1975 and its executive regulations;
- The trade agreements concluded between the Arab Republic of Egypt and other countries;
- Decree by the Minister of Finance No. 1859 of 2004 stipulating that the legalization of certificates of origin and attached documents is no longer required from Egyptian embassies and consulates abroad under the joint agreements.

Have decreed the following:

Article 1

The legalization by Egyptian embassies and consulates abroad of certificates of origin and attached documents related to goods originating from countries with which the Arab Republic of Egypt has concluded trade agreements shall not be required, provided that the principle of reciprocity is applied.

Article 2

The verification and validation of the issuers' signatures and seals affixed on the certificates of origin of the goods referred to in Article 1 shall be sufficient. The Ministry of Trade and Industry shall submit a specimen of the signatures and seals to the Customs Authority.

Article 3

This decree shall be implemented by the competent authorities.

MINISTER OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY

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Eng. Rasheed Mohamed Rasheed

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE
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Dr. Youssef Boutros-Ghali

Circular No. 21 of 2008

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To the attention of Mr. [Illegible],

Please find above a copy of the Decree No. (573) of 2008 promulgated by the Minister of Finance and the Minister of Trade and Industry, which stipulates that the legalization by Egyptian embassies and consulates abroad of certificates of origin and attached documents related to goods originating from countries with which the Arab Republic of Egypt has concluded trade agreements shall not be required, provided that the principle of reciprocity is applied, etc....

Please take note of the said Decree and its contents and proceed with its strict implementation by displaying it on the relevant Customs offices.

Best regards,

Director of the Central Administration of Agreements and International Cooperation [Illegible signature]

Head of the Customs Systems and Procedures Sector [Illegible signature]

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