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Dear Ivan

POLICY OF CLEARANCE AT THE FIRST PORT OF ENTRY

Your letter dated 5 December 2013 and Transnet's meeting with Ms van Twisk on 30 January 2014 have reference.

Transnet fully supports SARS' initiative to protect and secure South Africa's borders against the flow of illegal, illicit and dangerous goods.

Therefore, SARS and Transnet have had several successful interactions to seek appropriate solutions to address both SARS' and Transnet's concerns that the policy may have on Transnet's operations.

In this regard, our understanding of the proposed amendment to section 90 of the Customs Control Bill will, we believe, achieve the balance needed between control and trade facilitation, and we welcome SARS' incorporation of Transnet's proposal into their solution.

Further, we take comfort from the proposed amendment to section 942 of the Customs Control Bill, which provides, *inter alia*, for rules to address any unforeseen or unintended consequences, anomalies or incongruities that may arise, that may aim to substantially reinstate the legal position under the 1964 Act, if that Act regulated the matter in a way that avoided the unforeseen or unintended consequences, anomalies or incongruities.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Anoj Singh', written over a horizontal line.

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Date: 08/02/14.

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