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LAUNCHING OF ELECTRONIC IMPORT FORM (EIF) MODULE

In order to effectively monitor imports into Pakistan, State Bank of Pakistan and Pakistan Customs have successfully launched and implemented Electronic Import Form (EIF) Module in WeBOC (Web Based One Custom), the IT system of Pakistan Customs w.e.f. September 1, 2016. The said Module has been developed in consultation with all the relevant stakeholders including the importers, clearing agents, bankers, etc.

Well before the launch of EIF Module, a series of awareness sessions were conducted by a joint team of SBP and Pakistan Customs at leading Chambers of Commerce throughout the country during the last five months. During awareness sessions, it was mentioned at all forums that the importers shall be filing the EIF using their existing IDs in WeBOC which they also use for filling the Goods Declaration. Thus, no additional formalities on this account are involved.

It is worth mentioning that the Module was widely publicized by SBP and Pakistan Customs through public notices, press release etc in the media. Further, comprehensive training sessions for Authorized Dealers (ADs) have also been conducted by SBP to train the relevant bank staff of southern, central and northern regions of the country. Thus, importers may contact respective branches of ADs or Pakistan Customs' help desks at various Collectorates around the country. Similarly, a user manual to guide the importers regarding filing of EIF in WeBOC is also available at the following link:

<http://www.sbp.org.pk/epd/2016/FEC5>.

State Bank of Pakistan, however, remains available for clarification of any queries on the matter.
