

**NOTICE  
TARIFF ACT  
DECLARATION OF EXIGENCY**

WHEREAS the Acting Minister of Finance on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2019, pursuant to the provisions of Tariff Code 9817.0000 of Chapter 98 of the First Schedule to the Tariff Act, hereby declares the following Exigency to be an Exigency which qualifies for the purposes of Customs Duty exemption permitted under the said Item 9, namely-

the urgent need for goods specified in Schedule A hereof which the Acting Minister is satisfied are intended for the relief of persons in the Islands listed in Schedule B hereof who have suffered hardship or loss as a result of Hurricane Dorian on an immediate basis, and after the expiration of thirty (30) days from the date hereof whose claims/applications in respect of such goods are certified by the Director of The National Emergency Management Agency (“NEMA”)-

AND WHEREAS the Acting Minister of Finance further declares that –

- (a) the importation of the goods under the provision of the said Item 9 are only permitted for a period of Ninety (90) days (save for bottled water, clothing, food and personal Hygiene products) commencing on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2019 and ending the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 2019 or for such further period as the Minister of Finance may specify by Notice; and
- (b) Departure Tax, Customs Processing Fees and any Environmental levy Fees are waived for non-commercial flights bringing in relief goods imports in the islands mentioned in Schedule C. This waiver is permitted for a period of three (3) months commencing on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2019.
- (c) The movement of heavy duty equipment out of the bonded area of Freeport, Grand Bahama for the use in disaster relief and reconstruction of damage caused by Hurricane Dorian is permitted for a period of thirty (30) days commencing 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 2019.