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## KEBS PUBLIC NOTICE ON EXPIRY OF PVoC CONTRACTS FOR GENERAL GOODS AND INCIDENTAL ARRANGEMENTS THEREOF

The Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS) is a statutory body established under the Standards Act, CAP 496 of the Laws of Kenya. KEBS is mandated to offer quality inspection of imports based on Kenya Standards or approved specifications, among other services. KEBS inspects imported goods either in the country of exportation, through the Pre-Export Verification of Conformity (PVoC) to Standards program, and also at Destination or Ports of Entry. The PVoC services are offered on behalf of KEBS by inspection companies contracted on a three (3) year contract cycle.

KEBS wishes to inform all Stakeholders and the Public that the PVoC contracts for general goods expired on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022. The outgoing PVoC service providers are therefore **NOT** accepting any new bookings or requests for certification and are currently **ONLY** processing those bookings or requests for certification they received from exporters on or before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022. The pending requests **MUST** be processed by the outgoing PVoC service providers, and a decision to issue Certificate of Conformity (CoC) or Non-Conformity Report made not later than **30<sup>th</sup> April 2022**.

Meanwhile, KEBS is finalizing new PVoC contracts for General Goods with the following inspection companies:

1. SGS
2. Bureau Veritas
3. World Standardization Certification & Testing Group (Shenzhen) Co. Ltd
4. China Certification & Inspection Group Co. Ltd
5. TUV Austria Turk
6. China Hansom Inspection & Certificate Co. Ltd

Stakeholders and the Public shall be notified when the above inspection companies shall commence inspection under the PVoC program. In the meantime, **ALL imports shipped on board from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 without a CoC shall be subjected to destination inspection upon payment of inspection fee equivalent to 0.6% of the approved customs value subject to a minimum of USD 265 and a maximum of USD 2700 until further notice.** However, goods from East Africa Community (EAC) Partner States shall continue to be handled as provided for under EAC SQMT Act, 2006. Further information on the Destination Inspection is available on our website [www.kebs.org](http://www.kebs.org).

Please note that PVoC contract for used motor vehicles, mobile equipment and spare parts between KEBS and M/s Quality Inspection Services Japan (QISJ) is still in force and not affected by this notice. All used motor vehicles, mobile equipment and spare parts, will continue to be inspected by QISJ and any consignment of the same arriving at the Ports of Entry without Certificate of Roadworthiness (CoR) or CoC shall be subject to destination inspection as provided for under Legal Notice No. 78 of April 2020.

For further clarification, please contact KEBS on telephone **+254 20 6948646 / 456 / 439 / 000** or E-mail: [pvoc@kebs.org](mailto:pvoc@kebs.org) or [info@kebs.org](mailto:info@kebs.org)

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