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## RELEASE

### **INSTALLATION OF THE NEW VERSION OF THE GHANA CUSTOMS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (GCMS -2) EFFECTIVE MONDAY**

**APRIL 6 2009**

The Customs, Excise and Preventive Service (CEPS) in collaboration with the GCNet has completed the installation of the new version of the Ghana Customs Management System (GCMS-2). Consequently, the system will go live in the early hours of Monday April 6, 2009.

In order to facilitate the migration to the GCMS-2, the old system GCMS-1 will be shut down from 10 pm on Saturday to 12 midnight on Sunday April 5, 2009.

The business community and stakeholders, particularly those who transact business with CEPS at Aflao, Elubo, Paga and Kulungugu border stations are requested to note that contingency procedures shall be deployed for the processing of declarations. The contingency procedures will involve manual processing of declarations. These contingency arrangements, however shall not affect Tema. Takoradi and Kotoka International Airport.

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The GCMS is a versatile automated system for processing Customs declarations, Customs regimes and payment.

In spite of its positive impact on revenue mobilization and trade facilitation it has become necessary to deploy an enhanced module of the system after five years' operation.

Challenges that may arise during the period of migration and thereafter should be addressed to the:

**Assistant Commissioner IT  
CEPS Headquarters Room 1A or 35  
Telephone: 021-665115**

**or**

**GCNET Hotline: 054 4330191 - 5**

*For: Commissioner*

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