EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

STATUTORY RULES 1986 NO.361

CUSTOMS REGULATIONS (AMENDMENT)

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Amendment to Reg 63 of the Customs Regulations

Section 10 of the <u>Customs Amendment Act (No. 3) 1980</u> repealed Part V of the Act and substituted the current Part V with new Sections 78 to 102. The repacking of goods in warehouses is now dealt with in Section 92 of the Act rather than Section 87. <u>Regulation 1</u> amends Section 63 to reflect the change in the Principal Act.

Amendment of Form 86 to Schedule 1 to the Customs Regulations

Certain amendments to Section 208 of the Act made by the Customs and Excise Amendment Act 1982 came into operation on 26 April 1983. In particular, provisions in relation to the obligation to return goods seized by Customs Officers upon payment of security were amended. The necessity of consequential amendments to Form 86 contained in Regulation 2 recognises the changed security requirement of the amended Section 208 and also the division of administrative authority between the Australian Customs Service and the Australian Federal Police.

Details of the Regulations are as follows:

Regulation 1 amends Regulation 63 by deleting the reference to Section 87 and replacing it with a reference to Section 92.

Regulation 2 replaces the existing Form 86 contained in Schedule 1 to the Customs Regulations with a new form which satisfies the amended regime regarding the return o security of seized goods under Section 208 of the Act.

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