## **ACT**

Signed this day of , 2018.

DR. JULIUS MAADA BIO, *President*.



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Sierra Leone

## THE FINANCE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2018

Short title.

Being an Act to amend the provisions of the Finance Acts of 2008, 2017 and 2018 and for other related matters.

[ ] Date of commencement.

## THE CUSTOMS TARRIFACT, 1978

- 1. The First Schedule to the Customs Tariff Act, 1978 is amended Amendment of First Schedule to Act No. 16
  - (a) repealing the tariff rate under the heading 11.0 of 1978 and replacing it with the following new tariff rate:-

| Heading | H.S.<br>Code No | STC    | Description  | Tariff Rate |
|---------|-----------------|--------|--|-------------|
| 11.0    | 1101.00         | 046.1  | Wheat or meslin flour  | 10%         |
|         |                 |        | tariff rates under the heading n with the following new tariff i   |             |
| 11.0    | 1101.00         | 046.1  | Wheat or meslin flour  | 10%         |
| 20.09   |                 |        | Fruit juices (including grape must) and vegetable juices, unfermented and not containing added spirit, whether or not containing added sugar or other sweetening matter. | 20%         |
|         |                 |        | Orange juice:  |             |
|         | 2009.11         | 059.1  | Frozen   | 20%         |
|         | 2009.12         | 059.1  | Not frozen, of a Brix value not exceeding 20   | 20%         |
|         | 2000 10         | 050.1  | <u> </u>   | 200/        |
|         | 2009.19         | 059.1  | Other-Grapefruit (including pomelo) juice:   | 20%         |
|         | 2009.21         | 059.2  | Of a Brix value not exceeding 20   | 20%         |
|         | 2009.29         | 059.2  | Other-Juice of any other single citrus fruit:  | 20%         |
|         | 2009.31         | 059.3  | Of a Brix value not exceeding 20   | 20%         |
|         | 2009.39         | 059.3  | Other Pineapple juice:   | 20%         |
|         | 2009.41         | 059.91 | of a Brix value not exceeding 20   | 20%         |
|         | 2009.49         | 059.91 | Other  |             |
|         | 2009.50         | 059.92 | Tomato juice<br>Grape juice (including<br>grape must):   | 20%         |
|         | 2009.61         | 059.93 | Of a Brix value not exceeding 30   | 20%         |

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Apple juice:

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| Heading | H.S.<br>Code No | STC .                           | Description  | Tariff Rate  |  |
|         |                 |                                 | scise rates under the heading with the following new rates:-   | g 2206 and   |  |
| 24.01   |                 |                                 | Unmanufactured tobacco; tobacco refuse   | 35%          |  |
|         | 2401.10         | 121.1                           | Tobacco, not stemmed/stripped  | 35%          |  |
|         | 2401.20         | 121.2                           | Tobacco not partly or wholly stremmed/ stripped  | 35%          |  |
|         | 2401.30         | 122.3                           | Tobacco refuse   | 35%          |  |
| 24.02   |                 |                                 | Cigars, cheroots, cigarillos<br>and cigarettes, of tobacco<br>or of tobacc substitutes   | 35%          |  |
|         | 2402.10         | 122.1                           | Cigars, cheroots and cigarillos, ontaining tobacco   | 35%          |  |
|         | 2402.20         | 122.2                           | Cigarettes containing tobacco  | 35%          |  |
|         | 2402.90         | 122.31                          | Other  | 35%          |  |
| 24.03   |                 |                                 | Other manufactured tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes; "homogenised" or reconstituted" tobacco; tobacco extracts and essencesSmoking tobacco, whether or not containing tobacco substitutes in any proport | 35%<br>tion: |  |

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| VESSELTYPE   | COST PER GR               | T ROYALTY PER<br>VESSEL    | DURATION                                | V   |
| Processing Plan  | ts 45,000                 | Nil                        | 12 months                               |     |
| cold rooms   | 6,000                     | Nil                        | 12 months                               |     |
| Mothership for processing  | 45,000                    | Nil                        | 12 months                               |     |
| Mothership with canoe supports   | 29,250                    | Nil                        | 12 months                               |     |
| Aquaculture:<br>Semi-Commercia   | 1,500<br>al               | Nil                        | 12 months                               |     |
| Aquaculture:<br>Commercial   | 3,000                     | Nil                        | 12 months                               |     |
| 5. The su shall be as follo  |                           | for import and other activ | vities Fees fo import a other activitie | and |
|  | SUPPLI                    | EMENTARY FEES              | detivitie                               | ,5  |
| DETAILS  |                           | UNITS                      | AMOU                                    | NT  |
| Import fee   |                           | Per 20kg. ctn              | Le 500.0                                | 0   |
| Local discharg   | ge                        | Per 20kg. ctn              | Le 300.0                                | 0   |
| Export levy: fit companies that sales proceed.                         | t repatriate              | Per 20kg. ctn              | US \$ 1.5                               |     |
| Export levy: Fi<br>Processing pla<br>local partnersh<br>with majority: | nts with<br>nip agreement | Per 20kg. ctn              | US \$ 2.0                               |     |

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| Heading<br>g | H. S. Code No  | Description/<br>Goods                           | Alcohol<br>Content per           | Excise<br>Rate                               | FIS   | SHERIES FEES AN    | D ROYALTIES (IN       | US\$)                 |
|              |  | Specification                                   | solution (%)                     |  | VESSELTYPE  | COST PER GRT       | ROYALTY PER<br>VESSEL | DURATION              |
|              | 220300.90.000  | Other forms of beer                             | <10                              | US\$0.015 per<br>cl or US\$1.50<br>per litre | Shrimper and Cephalopods  | 180                | 14625                 | 6 months              |
|              | (b) repo   | ealing the excise rates acing them with the fol | under the hea<br>lowing new rate | ading 2204 and es:-                          | Trawller  | 360                | 29250                 | 12 months             |
| 2203         | 220300.10.000  | Beer made from malt<br>Stout & Porter           | <10                              | US\$0.015 per<br>cl or US\$1.50<br>per litre | Demersal &<br>Pelagic<br>Midwater   | 150                | 12010                 | 6 months              |
|              | 220300.20.000  | Beer  | <10                              | US\$0.015 per                                |   | 300                | 24020                 | 12 months             |
|              | 220300.20.000  | Beer  | 10                               | cl or US\$1.50<br>per litre                  | Tuna Purse<br>Seiner (per   | 35,000             | Nil                   | 6 months              |
|              | Non-alcoholic  | not > 0.5%                                      | <10                              | US\$0.015 per<br>cl or US\$1.50<br>per litre | vessel)  Tuna Longline/   | 70,000             | Nil                   | 12 months             |
|              | 220300.90.000  | Other forms of beer                             | <10                              | US\$0.015 per<br>cl or US\$1.50<br>per litre | others (per vessle)   | 45,000             | Nil<br>Nil            | 6 months<br>12 months |
|              | (c) repo   | ealing the excise rate acing it with the follow | under the hea                    | •  | Purse Seine for small pelagics  | 21,000             | Nil                   | 6 months              |
|              | -  |   |                                  |  | (per vessel)  | 42,000             | Nil                   | 12 months             |
| 2205         | Vermouth & Oth<br>wine of Fresh<br>Grapes<br>220510.10.000 | er Wine of Fresh<br>Grapes                      | <10                              | US\$0.015<br>per cl or<br>US\$1.50           | Decked Semi-<br>industrial fishing<br>vessel  | 750<br>1,500       | Nil<br>Nil            | 6 months<br>12 months |
|              | 220310.10.000  |   |                                  | per litre                                    | Undecked  | 350                | Nil                   | 6 months              |
|              | 220590.10.000  |   | >10                              | US\$0.02<br>per cl or                        | Semi-indust.:   |                    |                       | 00                    |
|              |  |   |                                  | US\$2.0 per<br>litre                         | STD 5 -10 canoe   | 500                | Nil                   | 12 months             |
|              |  | ealing the excise rates acing them with the fol |                                  |  | snapper/<br>herring   |                    |                       |                       |

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| Heading | H. S. Code No   | Description<br>/Goods<br>Specification | Alcohol Content<br>per solution (%)        | Excise Rates                                    |
|         | 220600.70.000   | Mixture of fruit juice with alc.       | <10  | US\$0.015<br>US\$1.50<br>per cl or<br>per litre |
|         | 220600.80.000   | Mixture of fruit juice with alc.       | >10  | US\$0.02<br>per cl or<br>US\$2.0<br>per litre   |
|         | 220600.90.000   | of alc. <10                            | <10  | US\$0.015<br>per cl or<br>US\$1.50<br>per litre |
|         | 220600.100.000  | Others                                 | <10  | US\$0.015<br>per cl or<br>US\$1.50<br>per litre |
|         |   |  | e rate under the hear following new rates: |   |
| Heading | H. S. Code No   | 1                                      | Alcohol Content<br>per solution (%)        | Excise Rates                                    |
| 2208    | O Ethyl<br>Acohol<br>with less<br>than 80%;<br>Spirits and<br>Spirituous<br>Beverages |  |  |   |
|         | 220820.10.000   | Brandy >                               | >10  | US\$0.02 per<br>cl or US\$2.0<br>per litre      |

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|---------|---------------|---|------------------|--|
| Heading | H. S. Code No | Description<br>/Goods<br>Specification      | per solution (%) | Excise Rates                               |
|         | 220820.90.000 | Others                                      | >10              | US\$0.02 per<br>cl or US\$2.0<br>per litre |
|         | 220820.90.000 | Whiskies                                    | >10              | US\$0.02 per<br>cl or US\$2.0<br>per litre |
|         | 220840.00.000 | Rum and other                               |                  | US\$0.02 per                               |
|         |               | Spirits                                     | >10              | cl or US\$2.0<br>per litre                 |
|         | 220850.00.000 | Gin &<br>Cordials                           | >10              | US\$0.02 per<br>cl or US\$2.0<br>per litre |
|         | 220860.00.000 | Vodka                                       | >10              | US\$0.02 per<br>cl or US\$2.0<br>per litre |
|         | 220870.90.000 | Liqueurs                                    | >10              | US\$0.02 per<br>cl or US\$2.0<br>per litre |
|         | 220890.10.000 | Other<br>Forms of<br>Spirituous<br>beverage | >10              | US\$0.02 per<br>cl or US\$2.0<br>per litre |
|         | 220890.20.000 | Schnapps                                    | >10              | US\$0.02 per<br>cl or US\$2.0<br>per litre |
|         | 220890.50.000 | Alcohol de menthe                           | >10              | US\$0.02 per<br>1 or US\$2.0<br>per litre  |
|         | 220890.90.000 | Others                                      | >10              | US\$0.02 per<br>cl or US\$2.0<br>per litre |
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|                                      |        | (f) repealing the excise rate under the tarreplacing it with the following new rate  |                         |
| Tariff Ite                           | em No. | Description/Goods Specification  | Excise Rate             |
| 24.02                                |        | Cigars, cheroots, cigarillos<br>and cigarettes, of tobacco or of<br>tobacco substitutes  | 30%                     |
|                                      |        | (g) repealing the excise rate under the tarr<br>replacing it with the following new ra   |                         |
| 24.03                                |        | Other manufactured tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes, including water pipe tobacco; "homogenised" or "reconstituted" tobacco; tobacco extracts and essences | 30%                     |
|                                      |        | (h) by inserting the following immediate   | ly after Tariff Item No |
| 22.0                                 |        | Fruit juice and vegetable juice  | 10%                     |
|                                      |        | Non-alcoholic beverages (energy drink)   | 20%                     |
|                                      |        | FORESTRYACT, 1988  |                         |
| Amendment<br>of Act No. 7<br>of 1988 | , 3.   | The Forestry Act ,1988 is amended by re ion 25A with the following new section -   | pealing and replacing   |
|                                      |        | 25A. An exporter of any timber or timber to exportation pay to the National Revent royalty of US \$2,500 on every cubic meter part thereof"                            | ue Authority a timber   |
|                                      |        | <u>GENERAL</u>   |                         |
| Fisheries fee<br>and royaltie        | -      | The fisheries fees and royalties for vesse   | ls shall be as follows: |

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| Heading | H. S. Code No<br>Goods  | Description/<br>Content per<br>Specification | Alcohol<br>Rate<br>solution (%) | Excise  |  |
| Heading | H. S. Code No<br>Goods  | Description/<br>Content per<br>Specification | Alcohol<br>Rate<br>solution (%) | Excise  |  |
| 2206    | Other Fermente<br>Beverages (Cid<br>Perry etc);<br>Mixture<br>of fermented<br>beverages<br>and non-alchol<br>beverages, NES | er,  |                                 |   |  |
|         | 220600.10.000   | Cider, Perry & Mead                          | >10                             | US\$0.02<br>per cl or<br>US\$2.0<br>per litre   |  |
|         | 220600.20.000   | of alcohol                                   | <10                             | US\$0.015<br>per cl or<br>US\$1.50<br>per litre |  |
|         | 220600.30.000   | of alcohol>10%                               | >10                             | US\$0.02<br>per cl or<br>US\$2.0<br>per litre   |  |
|         | 220600.40.000   | Rasin wine                                   | <10                             | US\$0.015<br>per cl or<br>US\$1.50<br>per litre |  |
|         | 220600.50.000   | Rice wine                                    | <10                             | US\$0.015<br>per cl or<br>US\$1.50<br>per litre |  |
|         | 220600.60.000   | Palm wine                                    | <10                             | US\$0.015<br>per cl or<br>US\$1.50<br>per litre |  |
|         |   |  |                                 |   |  |

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| VESSELTYPE   | COST PER GRT | ROYALTY PER<br>VESSEL | DURATION  | Heading         | H.S.<br>Code No.     | STC                                   |            | Description                            | Tariff Rate   |
| STD 5-10 canoe   | 975          | Nil                   | 6 months  |                 | Code No.             |                                       |            |  |   |
| croakers   | 1,6250       | Nil                   | 12 months |                 | 2403.11              | 122.32                                |            | ipe tobacco<br>l in Subheading         | 35%   |
| Ghana Plank<br>herring/Bon                                       | 650          | Nil                   | 6 months  |                 |                      |                                       | Note 1 to  | o this Chapter                         | •   |
| CI DI I  | 075          | NTI.                  | 10 4      |                 | 2403.19              | 122.32                                | Other - 0  | Other:                                 | 35%   |
| Ghana Plank  | 975          | Nil                   | 12 months |                 | 2403.91              | 122.39                                | "Homoo     | enised or                              | 35%   |
| (Croakers  | 1,350        | Nil                   | 6 months  |                 | 2403.71              | 122.39                                |            | ituted" tobacco                        |   |
| Foreign Canoes   | 2,300        | Nil                   | 12 months |                 | 2403.99              | 122.39                                | Other      |  | 35%   |
|  | 4,000        | Nil                   | 12 months |                 | 2103.55              | 122.57                                | other      |  | 2370  |
|  |              |                       |           |                 |                      | EXCISE A                              | ACT, 1982  |  |   |
| Transhipping Fishing vessels with license to fish in SL          | 700          | Nil                   | 12 months | <b>2.</b> The F | irst Schedule to the | he Excise Act                         | 1982 is an | nended by -                            | Amendment<br>of First Sche-<br>dule to Act<br>No. 6 of 1982 |
| ( per vessel per transhipment)                                   |              |                       |           |                 |                      |                                       |            | under the head<br>owing new excis      |   |
| Transhiping Fishing vessels with Foreign                         | 2,000        | Nil                   | 12 months | Heading         | H. S. Code No        | Description<br>Goods<br>Specification |            | Alcohol<br>Content per<br>solution (%) | Excise<br>Rate  |
| License<br>(per vessel per                                       |              |                       |           | 2203            |                      | Beer made                             | from malt  |  |   |
| transhipment),<br>which must pay<br>charges for<br>20 kg of fish |              |                       |           |                 | 220300.10.000        | Stout & Po                            | rter       | <10                                    | US\$0.015<br>per cl or<br>US\$1.50 per<br>litre             |
| as per charges<br>in schedule<br>for export                      |              |                       |           |                 | 220300.20.000        | Beer                                  |            | <10                                    | US\$0.015 per<br>cl or US\$1.50<br>per litre                |
| Supply vessel / local carrier                                    | 6,000        | Nil                   | 12 months |                 | Non-alcoholic        | not > 0.5%                            |            | <10                                    | US\$0.015 per<br>cl or US\$1.50<br>per litre                |

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| DETAIL            | S   | UNITS                   | AMOUNT      |
| Proces<br>with lo | t fee for Fish<br>ssing plants<br>ocal partnership<br>nent without majority | Per 20kg. ctn           | US\$3.0     |
| Plants            | t fee for Fish Processi<br>exporting croakers<br>igwa, lady)                | ng Per 20kg. ctn        | US\$3.0     |
| Expor             | t fee for smoked Fish   | Per 20kg. ctn           | US \$ 5.0   |
|                   | t Fees for crustaceans<br>aps, lobsters, crabs etc                          |                         | US\$5.0     |
|                   | t fees for cephalopod<br>ds, octopus etc.)                                  | ls Per 20kg. ctn        | US \$ 5.0   |
| Expor             | t fee for Fish bladder  | Per 20kg. ctn           | US \$ 5.0   |
| Expor             | t fee for sea cucumber  | Per 20kg. ctn           | US \$ 10.0  |
|                   | clearance permit for g vessels  | Per vessel              | US \$ 500   |
| the est           | of intent for<br>ablishment<br>w fishing company                            | Per request             | US \$ 5,000 |
| Fisher            | ies Protection  | Per /vessel/year        | US\$1000    |
| Fisher<br>& Res   | ies Statistics<br>earch   | Per /vessel/year        | US\$5,00    |

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| Heading | H.S.<br>Code No. | STC                 | '   | Description  | Tariff Rate |
|         | 2009.71          | 059.94              | Of a Brix va  |  | 20%         |
|         | 2009.79          | 059.94              | - Other Juice othersingle   | e of any<br>fruit or vegetable:  | 20%         |
|         | 2009.81          | 059.95              | Cranberry (   | Vaccinium<br>n, Vaccinium<br>Vaccinium   | 20%         |
|         | 2009.89          | 059.95              | -Other  | -  | 20%         |
|         | 2009.90          | 059.96              | - Mixtures o  | f juices   | 20%         |
|         |                  | nd 22.03 re<br>tes- |   | n with the following   | ng new tari |
| 22.01   |                  |                     | artificial mi<br>aerated water  | ading natural or<br>neral waters and<br>ers, not containing<br>or other sweetening<br>flavor | 35%         |
|         | 2201.10          | 111.01              | Mineral wate  | ers and aerated water  | 35%         |
|         | 2201.90          | 111.01              | Other   |  | 35%         |
| 22.02   |                  |                     | waters and a<br>containing ac<br>other sweete<br>flavoured, a<br>alcoholic be | it or vegetable  | 35%         |
|         | 2202.10          | 111.02              |   | matter or  | 35%         |
|         | 2202.91          | 111.02              | Non-alcohol   | ic   | 35%         |
|         | 2202.99          | 111.02              | Other   |  | 35%         |
|         | 2203.00          | 112.300             | Beer made f   | rom malt   | 30%         |
|         |                  |                     |   |  |             |