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Announcing the establishment of Asia First Non-Government Organization “NGO” on Trade Compliance in Singapore:

***Centre for Asia Pacific Trade Compliance and Information Security***  
***“CAPTCIS”***

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We are pleased to announce the formation of CAPTCIS office in Singapore:-

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Today’s economic globalization has rapidly reshaped the business and industrial topography across all continents. Particularly for Asia, our economic growth has significantly increased over the past 2 to 3 decades and this trend is expected to continue further into the next few decades ahead. Asia has rapidly become the largest economic region in the world, with more and more business transactions crossing and destined for several countries in the region.

To support the growing and development of these trade lanes in the region, trade compliance is fast becoming an essential corporate governance consideration, which cannot be ignored. A number of National authorities within the region, have started to implement measures to ensure better compliance with the trade laws and export control regulations. This development signifies the recognition by Asian countries, of the international collaboration across all continents and reinforces the need to have secure and trusted trading conditions for all legitimate trades.

We believe that it is the right timing for Asia to initiate a professional organization which can address and support large and small corporations within the region, on trade compliance issues.

With the above key issues in mind, the objectives and purposes for **CAPTCIS** are constituted as follow:

- 1) To provide a Central Professional Reference point for Companies, Corporations, Individual for Trade Compliance, that includes Customs Import & Export procedures, Export Control & Compliance and Free Trade Agreement topics, that will ensure a lawful deployment and secure compliance of business.
- 2) To promote the understanding with Corporates, Chambers of Commerce, other centres or associations, Government bodies, Inter-Governmental bodies and Non-Governmental bodies for the understanding and implementation of trade compliance requirements and initiatives.
- 3) Raise awareness of individuals, corporates, universities and other bodies about trade compliance requirements and initiatives including, but not limited to import compliance and export control.





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- 4) Alignment of import compliance, export control and other trade compliance practices worldwide.
- 5) Support the business community (in particular, the Small Medium Enterprise industry) on trade compliance in terms of establishing trade compliance systems.
- 6) Implementation of trade compliance requirements and initiatives in order to achieve and maintain a safe and secure trading environment.
- 7) Establish a standard skill sets on Trade Compliance Professional (TCP).
- 8) To provide an open platform and the opportunities for the discussion and consideration of matters of interest to the members of the Centre and to undertake or assist in the preparation and promotion of agreements and arrangements in respects of such matters.

In order to achieve above objectives and purposes; **CAPTCIS** will focus on the following three (3) main tracks of services and works:-

**(A) Export Controls OR Strategic Trade Management “STM”**

**(B) Customs Compliance**

**(C) Free Trade Agreement “FTA”**

**CAPTCIS** will make an announcement soon to provide more details on above three focused area.

As Asia is a fast economic developing region, we strongly believe that **CAPTCIS** will play a vital role in the area of trade compliance in the region. In years to come, **CAPTCIS** aims to strive to become the **Centre of Excellence** on trade compliance in Asia.

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