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**Sub:** Request for Exemption of Auto Identity and Data Capture (AIDC) products from Import Management System with reference to DGFT Notification No.23/2023 dated 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2023

Respected Sir,

**Greetings from MAIT!**

This bears reference to the ongoing discussions pertaining to Import Management System vide DGFT Notification Number 23/2023 dated 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2023.

Sir, we are writing this letter to draw your kind attention to the niche **Auto Identity and Data Capture (AIDC) products which are being impacted by the abovesaid DGFT Notification and the HSN chapters mentioned therein**. These AIDC products include barcode scanners and imagers, enterprise grade mobile computers, rugged tablets, rugged laptops, RFID readers, specialty printers for barcode labeling and personal identification, related accessories and supplies such as labels, RFID tags and other consumables.

AIDC products such as purpose build mobile computers & touch computers, rugged laptops and rugged/purpose built tablets are generally essential to the supply chain and factory automation, warehousing and many other critical or emergency operations for B2B organizations including Retail, e-Commerce, Transportation (Airlines, Railways, Highways), Logistics Industry (warehouses, ports, courier, 3PL), Government, Manufacturing (including electronics, pharma, automobiles, packaged goods), Public Safety and Healthcare. All these industries rely heavily on AIDC products for seamless business operations.

Sir, these are specialized products, and there are very few/Limited manufactures of such products worldwide and that is the precise reason the demand for the product is limited and are used according to the applications. Since these are specialized equipment used for different application and does not have enough market for any manufacturer to produce in each country. Therefore, **we request you to kindly exempt AIDC products from Import Management System**. Kindly also refer to **Annexure-1** where details of each of the AIDC products is mentioned along with the HSN Codes, proposed category, description and representative picture.

Looking forward to your favourable consideration of the request.

Warm regards,

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