## Analysis of quarantine of imported Chinese medicinal materials

Chinese medicinal materials refer to the medicinal parts of plants and animals, which are formed by primary processing after harvest. According to the measures for the quarantine supervision and administration of imported and exported Chinese medicinal materials, the General Administration of Customs implements a use declaration system for imported Chinese medicinal materials. When Chinese herbal medicines enter the country, the enterprise shall declare the intended use to the competent customs to clarify whether they are used for medicine or for consumption. Chinese medicinal materials declared for medicinal use shall be articles listed in the catalogue of medicinal materials in the Pharmacopoeia of the people's Republic of China; Chinese medicinal materials declared for consumption shall be articles that can be used for food according to national laws, administrative regulations, rules and documents.

Qualification management of imported Chinese medicinal materials implemented by the customs

The General Administration of Customs implements risk management on imported Chinese medicinal materials. Implement registration management for overseas production, processing and storage units (hereinafter referred to as "overseas production enterprises") that export Chinese herbal medicines to China; Implement integrity management for enterprises engaged in the production and management of imported Chinese medicinal materials.

Quarantine requirements

The General Administration of Customs implements a quarantine access system for imported Chinese medicinal materials, including product risk analysis, evaluation and review of the regulatory system, determination of quarantine requirements, registration of overseas production enterprises, and entry quarantine.

The General Administration of Customs will conduct product risk analysis and regulatory system assessment for countries or regions that export Chinese herbal medicines to China for the first time, and conduct a retrospective review of countries and regions that have already traded.

According to the results of the risk analysis, the General Administration of Customs determines the catalogue of Chinese herbal medicines that need to be registered by overseas production, processing and storage units, and implements dynamic adjustment. The registration review procedures and technical requirements shall be separately formulated and issued by the General Administration of customs. The General Administration of Customs implements the registration of overseas production enterprises of traditional Chinese medicine listed in the catalogue, and the registration is valid for 4 years.

Registration process of overseas production enterprises

When applying for registration in China, the competent authorities of the exporting country or region must review the overseas production enterprises, and recommend them to the General Administration of Customs after meeting the relevant provisions of Articles 10 and 11 of the measures for the quarantine supervision and administration of imported and exported Chinese herbal medicines, and submit the following materials in Chinese or both Chinese and English: animal and plant epidemics, veterinary health, public health, plant protection Laws and regulations on the registration management of enterprises, written materials on the institutional setup and personnel of the competent departments in the country or region where they are located, and the implementation of laws and regulations; List of overseas production enterprises applying for registration; The assessment conclusion of the competent department of the country or region where it is located on the actual situation of epidemic prevention and health control of the enterprise it recommends; A statement that the enterprise recommended by the competent department of the country or region where it is located meets the requirements of Chinese laws and regulations; Application for enterprise registration, plan of factory, workshop and warehouse, process flow diagram, animal or plant quarantine prevention and control system documents, photos of epidemic prevention and disinfection treatment facilities, photos of harmless treatment facilities of waste and packaging, etc.

After receiving the recommended materials and passing the written examination, the General Administration of Customs may, after consultation with the competent authorities of the exporting country or region, send personnel to the exporting country or region to evaluate its supervision system and inspect the overseas production enterprises applying for registration. The applicant enterprises that meet the requirements after inspection shall be registered.

For overseas production enterprises that have obtained registration and need to be renewed, the competent department of the exporting country or region shall apply to the General

Administration of Customs six months before the expiration of the term of validity. The General Administration of Customs may send personnel to the exporting country or region to review its supervision system and inspect the overseas production enterprises that apply for it. For countries or regions that meet the requirements in the retrospective review, overseas production enterprises that meet the requirements after inspection shall be registered, and the

period of validity shall be extended for 4 years.

## Declaration process

Before or at the time of entry of Chinese herbal medicines, the owner or his agent shall declare to the Customs at the port of entry with the following materials: quarantine certificate, certificate of origin, trade contract, bill of lading, packing list and invoice issued by the official of the exporting country or region and meeting the requirements of the General Administration of customs.

The customs shall examine the relevant documents submitted by the owner or his agent, and accept them if they meet the requirements.

If there is no valid quarantine certificate issued by the animal and plant quarantine institution of the government of the exporting country or region, registration is required, registration is not handled as required, or quarantine approval procedures are not handled according to law, the customs may return or destroy them according to the specific circumstances.

It should be noted that if the imported Chinese medicinal materials need to be approved for entry animal and plant quarantine, the owner or his agent should obtain the entry animal and Plant Quarantine License of the people's Republic of China in accordance with the provisions of the administrative measures for the approval of entry animal and plant quarantine before signing the trade contract.

On site quarantine content

The Customs at the port of entry shall carry out on-site quarantine in accordance with the following provisions:

Check the departure time and port, countries or regions passing through, loading list, etc., and check whether the documents are true and valid, and whether the documents are consistent with the name, quantity / weight, exporting country or region, shipping mark, mark, name of overseas production enterprise, registration number, etc.

Whether the package is in good condition, whether it has animal and plant packaging and bedding materials, and whether it complies with the provisions of the law of the people's Republic of China on entry and exit animal and plant quarantine and its implementation regulations, and the measures for the supervision and administration of the quarantine of wood packaging of imported goods.

Whether the traditional Chinese medicine has corruption and deterioration, whether it carries pests, animal excreta or other animal tissues, and whether it carries animal carcasses, soil and other prohibited substances.

Circumstances requiring quarantine treatment

In case of any of the following circumstances in the on-site inspection, the customs shall issue a notice of quarantine treatment and carry out corresponding quarantine treatment: those that are prohibited from entering the country by laws and regulations, those with prohibited objects, those whose cargo certificates are inconsistent, and those that are found to be seriously corrupt and deteriorated shall be returned or destroyed; If the package is damaged, the owner or his agent shall be responsible for sorting it out completely before unloading it from the means of transport; The customs shall carry out quarantine treatment on the contaminated sites, articles and instruments; Those with harmful organisms, animal excreta or other animal tissues shall be subject to quarantine treatment in accordance with relevant regulations; For those polluted by diseases and pests or suspected of being polluted by diseases and pests, the relevant goods shall be sealed up, and the contaminated goods, loading and unloading tools and sites shall be disinfected.

If diseases and pests or symptoms of diseases and pests are found during on-site quarantine, or laboratory quarantine is required according to relevant working procedures, the customs shall sample the imported Chinese herbal medicines and send them to the laboratory.

Before obtaining the quarantine certificate, Chinese herbal medicines should be stored in a place approved by the customs. Without the permission of the customs, no unit or individual may transfer, sell or process them without authorization.

The entry animal and Plant Quarantine License states that the product is subject to quarantine and processing supervision by the destination customs, and the port customs will issue an entry goods transfer notice after verification and inspection and external packaging disinfection. The consignee or his agent will apply to the destination customs for quarantine treatment within the specified time limit. Without quarantine inspection, it shall not be sold or processed.

Imported Chinese medicinal materials that need entry quarantine approval shall be stored and processed in the designated enterprises listed in the quarantine approval permit.

Issue quarantine certificate

The imported Chinese medicinal materials can be sold, used, stored and processed in designated enterprises only after they have passed the quarantine inspection and quarantine and the Customs has issued the inspection and quarantine certificate of the imported goods. The inspection and quarantine certificate of Inbound Goods shall list the name of the goods, country or region of origin, quantity / weight, production batch number / production date, purpose, etc.

If the goods fail to pass the quarantine inspection, the customs shall issue a notice of quarantine treatment, and the owner or his agent shall, under the supervision of the customs, carry out disinfestation, return or destruction. Those who pass the disinfestation treatment are allowed to enter the country.

If it is necessary for the customs to issue a certificate for claim, the customs shall issue the relevant quarantine certificate in accordance with the regulations.

Other requirements

Domestic shippers or their agents shall establish a record system for the import, sale and processing of traditional Chinese medicine, and keep relevant records for at least 2 years. At the same time, it should be equipped with safety management personnel for epidemic prevention of traditional Chinese medicine and establish a management system for epidemic prevention of traditional Chinese medicine.

The means of transport and containers for transporting imported Chinese herbal medicines shall meet the safety and health requirements. If it is necessary to carry out epidemic prevention and disinfection, it shall be carried out under the supervision of the Customs at the port of entry. Without the permission of the customs, no inbound Chinese herbal medicines may be unloaded from the means of transport, containers or transported.