Rules On functions of state authorised bodies at state border points of the Republic of Armenia

I. General provisions

1. The rules herein define the functions of authorized state bodies at state border points of the Republic of Armenia.

II. Functions of the authorized state bodies on entry by air of persons to the Republic of Armenia.

2. Upon entry by air of persons to the Republic of Armenia, the border control officials shall examine the passports of all persons arriving in the Republic of Armenia, and in case of foreigners, also entry visas.

Following the border control by the border guards:

- a) Nationals of the Republic of Armenia, as well as foreigners, whose entry is visa free, according to International Treaties ratified by the Republic of Armenia, shall go through the Customs Inspection.
- b) Foreigners not referred to in item a) of this paragraph, continue to the Customs Inspection provided they possess entry visas.
- c) Foreigners not referred to in item a) of this paragraph, possessing no entry visa, shall immediately apply to the Subdivision of the Passport and Visa Department of the RA Ministry of Internal Affairs and National Security, at the state border point, to receive an entry visa. Once having received the entry visa, foreign passengers go through the Customs Inspection.
- 3. Persons, continuing to the Customs Inspection, as described in paragraph 2 of the rules herein, complete a Customs declaration form, as defined by the Customs Department of the Republic of Armenia, and provide it to the Customs officer. During the customs check, the customs officers may examine persons, their luggage, personal belongings etc. as provided for in the legislation of the Republic of Armenia.

III. Functions of the authorized state bodies upon exit by air of persons from the Republic of Armenia

- 4. After registration of passengers in the process of exit the RA, persons shall submit the customs declaration form, filled in accordance with the Customs Legislation of the Republic of Armenia, to the customs officer. The customs officers shall:
- a) Examine the passengers, their luggage, personal belongings, and other items;
- b) Conduct customs registration;
- 5. In the process of exit of persons from the Republic of Armenia by air, the officers of the border control service together with the Passport and Visa Service of the RA Ministry of Internal Affairs and National Security, shall examine the passports of all departing persons, as well as the availability of the seal of validity for foreign countries in the passport in case of nationals of the Republic of Armenia. In case the passport of the national of the Republic of

Armenia is not valid for foreign countries, the person's exit is denied except for CIS countries with which the RA has visa free regime agreements.

6. Having performed the functions, described in paragraph 4 of the rules herein, the officers of the Air Security Service together with the representatives of the RA Ministry of Internal Affairs and National Security, perform a special examination of passengers, their luggage and bags, to detect illegal weapons, ammunition, items and goods, transportation of which is prohibited by aircraft.

IV. Functions of authorized state bodies upon entry by land of person to the Republic of Armenia

7. Upon entry by land of persons to the Republic of Armenia, the border control service officials shall examine the passports of all persons arriving to the Republic of Armenia, and in case of foreigners, also entry visas.

After the border control service examination:

- a) Persons of the Republic of Armenia, as well as foreigners whose entry is visa free, according to International Treaties ratified by the Republic of Armenia, shall go through the Customs Inspection;
- b) Foreigners not referred to in item a) of this paragraph shall go through the Customs, provided they possess an entry visa;
- c) Foreigners not referred to in item a) of this paragraph, possessing no entry visa, shall immediately apply to the RA Ministry of Internal Affairs and National Security, Subdivision of the Passport and Visa Department at the state border point, to receive an entry visa. Once having received the entry visa, foreign passengers shall go through the Customs Inspection.
- **8**. Persons, continuing to the Customs Inspection, as described in paragraph 7 of the rules herein, complete a Customs declaration form, as defined by the Customs Department of the Republic of Armenia, and provide it to the customs officer. During the customs check the customs officers may examine the persons, their luggage, personal belongings etc. as provided for in the legislation of the Republic of Armenia.

<u>V. Functions of authorized state bodies upon exit by land of persons</u> <u>from the Republic of Armenia</u>

- 9. Upon exit by land from the Republic of Armenia, persons provide the customs declaration form, completed as provided for by the State Customs Legislation of the Republic of Armenia, to the customs officer. The customs officers:
- a) Examine the passengers, their luggage, personal belongings, etc.;
- b) Conduct customs registration.
- 10. Having performed the functions described in paragraph 9 of the rules herein, the border control service officers examine the passports of all departing persons, in case of nationals of the Republic of Armenia, the officers check also the availability of the seal of validity for foreign countries in the passport. In case, the passport of the national of the Republic of Armenia is not valid for foreign countries, the person's exit is denied except for CIS countries with which the RA has visa free regime agreements.