

## Dealing with discrepancy information①

### Discrepancy information

Discrepancy information is a notice which is automatically transmitted to filers by NACCS at the timing of “Departure Time Registration (ATD)” or “Manifest Submission (DMF)” if the system finds any discrepancies in the filed cargo information through data processing.

When the discrepancy information is issued, filers need to respond as follows according to the description of the notice. Issuance of the notice of discrepancy information doesn't automatically lead to notify the advance notice (DNL,DNU,HLD,SPD).

#### Types of the discrepancy information

○ The discrepancy information notified in a wake of the “Departure Time Registration (ATD)”

Notified party: The filer of the “Departure Time Registration (ATD)”

1. Discrepancy Identifier (no House B/L)
2. Discrepancy Identifier (no Master B/L)
3. Discrepancy Identifier (Discrepancy in Vessel Information)
4. Discrepancy Identifier (Overdue Reporting)

○ The discrepancy information notified in a wake of the “Manifest Submission (DMF)”

Notified party: The filer of the “Manifest Submission (DMF)”

5. Discrepancy Identifier (Incomplete Advance Filing)
6. Discrepancy Identifier (Incomplete Departure Time Registration)

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An example of the discrepancy information

Discrepancy Information of Advance Filing <span style="float: right;">1 / 1</span>							
Vessel	XXXXXXXXXE	Voyage Number	XXXXXXXXXE	Carrier	XXE	Port of Loading	XXE - X
Date of Departure	yyyy/MM/dd - hh:mm	Difference from GMT	XXE	Relaxed Application Area			X
Port of Discharge	XXE - X	Date of Arrival	yyyy/MM/dd	Overflow			X
B/L Number	Discrepancy Identifier						
	No Relevant HouseB/L	No Relevant MasterB/L	Discrepant Vessel Information	Incorrect Reporting Time	Incomplete Advance Filing	Incomplete Departure Time Resist	
1	XXXXXXXXX1XXXXXXXXX2XXXXXXXXX3XXXXE	X	X	X	X	X	X
2	XXXXXXXXX1XXXXXXXXX2XXXXXXXXX3XXXXE	X	X	X	X	X	X
3	XXXXXXXXX1XXXXXXXXX2XXXXXXXXX3XXXXE	X	X	X	X	X	X
4	XXXXXXXXX1XXXXXXXXX2XXXXXXXXX3XXXXE	X	X	X	X	X	X
5	XXXXXXXXX1XXXXXXXXX2XXXXXXXXX3XXXXE	X	X	X	X	X	X
6	XXXXXXXXX1XXXXXXXXX2XXXXXXXXX3XXXXE	X	X	X	X	X	X
7	XXXXXXXXX1XXXXXXXXX2XXXXXXXXX3XXXXE	X			X		
8	XXXXXXXXX1XXXXXXXXX2XXXXXXXXX3XXXXE	X			X		
9	XXXXXXXXX1XXXXXXXXX2XXXXXXXXX3XXXXE	X			X		
10	XXXXXXXXX1XXXXXXXXX2XXXXXXXXX3XXXXE	X			X		
11	XXXXXXXXX1XXXXXXXXX2XXXXXXXXX3XXXXE	X			X		
12	XXXXXXXXX1XXXXXXXXX2XXXXXXXXX3XXXXE	X			X		
13	XXXXXXXXX1XXXXXXXXX2XXXXXXXXX3XXXXE	X			X		
14	XXXXXXXXX1XXXXXXXXX2XXXXXXXXX3XXXXE	X			X		
15	XXXXXXXXX1XXXXXXXXX2XXXXXXXXX3XXXXE	X	X	X	X		
16	XXXXXXXXX1XXXXXXXXX2XXXXXXXXX3XXXXE	X	X	X	X		
17	XXXXXXXXX1XXXXXXXXX2XXXXXXXXX3XXXXE	X	X	X	X	X	X
18	XXXXXXXXX1XXXXXXXXX2XXXXXXXXX3XXXXE	X	X	X	X	X	X
19	XXXXXXXXX1XXXXXXXXX2XXXXXXXXX3XXXXE	X	X	X	X	X	X
20	XXXXXXXXX1XXXXXXXXX2XXXXXXXXX3XXXXE	X	X	X	X	X	X

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- The discrepancy information notified in the wake of the “Departure Time Registration (ATD)”, etc.

### 1. The discrepancy information when House B/L is not filed (No Relevant House B/L)

#### (1) Nature of discrepancy information

When the system identifies that the B/L number which was filed through the “Advance Cargo Information Registration (AMR)” or the “Update Registered Advance Cargo Information (CMR)” in “B/L number” field of the cargo information, as there is the related House B/L and “M” is entered in “Master B/L Identifier” field, is not filed through the “Advance Cargo Information Registration (House B/L) (AHR)” or the “Update Registered Advance Cargo Information (House B/L) (CHR)” in “Master B/L number” field of the cargo information, the system assesses it as “the discrepancy information when House B/L is not filed” and notifies it to the filer in a wake of filing the “Departure Time Registration (ATD)”, etc.

#### (2) How to respond

- ① When a filer of the “Departure Time Registration (ATD)”, etc. receives the discrepancy information, the filer needs to request the person obliged to file the “Advance Cargo Information Registration (House B/L) (AHR)” to report the cargo information based on the House B/L referred to “Master B/L number” which is identified as “the discrepancy information that House B/L is not filed” through the “Update Registered Advance Cargo Information (House B/L) (CHR)”.
- ② When Japan Customs sends a filer an advance notice with “SPD” code on the ground that the cargo information based on House B/L is not filed, those who discharge the cargo need to apply the “Application for Cargo Discharge Permission(DNC)” after confirming whether filing of the cargo information based on House B/L is completed, as described in ① above, or file the cargo information based on House B/L by themselves.

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### 2. The discrepancy information when Master B/L is not filed (No Relevant Master B/L)

#### (1) Nature of discrepancy information

When the system identifies that the Master B/L number which was filed through the “Advance Cargo Information Registration (House B/L) (AHR)” or the “Update Registered Advance Cargo Information (House B/L) (CHR)” in “B/L number” field of the cargo information is not filed through the “Advance Cargo Information Registration (AMR)” or the “Update Registered Advance Cargo Information (CMR)”, the system assesses it as “the discrepancy information when Master B/L is not filed” and notifies to the filer in a wake of filing the “Departure Time Registration (ATD)”, etc.

#### (2) How to respond

- ① When a filer of the “Departure Time Registration (ATD)”, etc. receives the discrepancy information, the filer needs to request the person obliged to file the “Advance Cargo Information Registration (AMR)” to report the cargo information based on Master B/L referred to “Master B/L number” which is identified as discrepancy information that Master B/L is not filed through the “Update Registered Advance Cargo Information (CMR)”. (If the filer of the “Departure Time Registration (ATD)” is obliged to file the “Advance Cargo Information Registration (AMR)”, the filer needs to file by himself. )  
However, if a filer, who has the obligation to file AHR, entered a wrong Master B/L number in “Master B/L number” field, please ask the filer to correct the Master B/L number.
- ② When Japan Customs sends a filer an advance notice with “SPD” code on the ground that the cargo information based on Master B/L is not filed, those who discharge the cargo need to apply the “Application for Cargo Discharge Permission (DNC)” after confirming whether filing of the cargo information based on Master B/L is completed, according to the procedures described in ① above, or file the cargo information based on Master B/L by themselves.

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### 3. The discrepancy information about vessel information (Discrepant Vessel Information)

#### (1) Nature of discrepancy information

When the system finds discrepancy between the cargo information through the “Advance Cargo Information Registration (AMR)” or the “Update Registered Advance Cargo Information (CMR)” and the vessel information (“Vessel Code”, “Voyage Number”, “Carrier Code”, “Port of Loading Code”, “Port of Loading Suffix”) relating to the cargo information through “the Advance Cargo Information Registration (House B/L) (AHR)” or the “Update Registered Advance Cargo Information (House B/L) (CHR)”, the system assesses it as “the discrepancy about vessel information” and notifies it to the filer in a wake of filing the “Departure Time Registration (ATD)”, etc.

(Note) If “Y” is entered into “Vessel Information Change Identifier” field in AHR/CHR because of the possibilities of changes in vessels due to transshipment, etc., the discrepancy is not considered as discrepancy information for vessel information.

#### (2) How to respond

- ① When a filer of the “Departure Time Registration (ATD)”, etc. receives a notice of the discrepancy information, the filer needs to request the relevant filer to correct the vessel information by the “Update Registered Vessel Information for Advance Filing (CMV)”. (If the filer of ATD has also the obligation to file the AMR, the filer needs to clear this discrepancy by himself or ask the filer of AHR to deal with it.
- ② While the correct cargo information based on House or Master B/L is not filed and Japan Customs sends a filer an advance notice with “SPD” code, those who discharge the cargo need to apply the “Application for Cargo Discharge Permission(DNC)” after confirming whether correction of the cargo information is completed, according to the procedures described in ① above.

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### 4. The discrepancy information when filing is late for the deadline (Incorrect Reporting Time)

#### (1) Nature of discrepancy information

Comparing the date and time when the “Advance Cargo Information Registration (AMR)” or the “Advance Cargo Information Registration (House B/L)(AHR)” has been submitted with the filed date and time of departure from a port of loading in the “Departure Time Registration (ATD)”, if the system identifies that cargo information wasn’t filed by the deadline, the system assesses it as “the discrepancy information when filing misses the deadline” and notifies it to the filer in a wake of filing the “Departure Time Registration (ATD)”, etc.

(Note) Separations, combination or switches in B/Ls may occur due to changes in carriage contract, etc., if the Association of Registered B/L Numbers (BLL) is carried out the new B/L number that is filed by the “Manifest Information Registration (MFR)”. Comparing the date and time when the “Advance Cargo Information Registration (AMR)” has been submitted with the filed date and time of departure from a port of loading in the “Departure Time Registration (ATD)”.

#### (2) How to respond

- ① When a filer of the “Departure Time Registration (ATD)”, etc. receives a notice of the discrepancy information, if the filer finds mistake in the departure time information through the “Departure Time Registration (ATD)”, that is, “Date of Departure”, “Time of Departure”, “Time of Difference from Greenwich Mean Time”, and “Relaxed Application Area Identifier”, the filer needs to file correctly through the “Departure Time Registration (ATD)”.
- ② When Japan Customs sends a filer an advance notice with “SPD” code on the ground that the cargo information based on House or Master B/L is late for the deadline, those who discharge the cargo need to apply the “Application for Cargo Discharge Permission(DNC)”.

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### 5. The discrepancy information when advance filing is not filed (Incomplete Advance Filing)

#### (1) Nature of discrepancy information

When the system identifies that the B/L number through the “Manifest Information Registration (MFR)” and the “Manifest Submission (DMF)” is not registered in “B/L number” field of the cargo information through the “Advance Cargo Information Registration (AMR)” or the “Update Registered Advance Cargo Information (CMR)”, the system assesses it as “the discrepancy information when advance filing is not filed” and notifies it to the filer in the wake of filling the “Manifest Submission (DMF)”, etc.

(Note) Separations, combination or switches in B/Ls may occur due to changes in carriage contract, etc., leading to making a DMF with B/L number which is different from those filed by the AMR. However, in such cases, if the Association of Registered B/L Numbers (BLL) is carried out before the DMF in order to link the original B/L number that is filed by the Advance Cargo Information Registration (AMR) and the new B/L number that is filed by the “Manifest Information Registration (MFR)”, the discrepancy information is not issued.

#### (2) How to respond

- ① When a filer of the “Manifest Submission (DMF)” receives a notice of the discrepancy information, the filer needs to request the person obliged to file the “Advance Cargo Information Registration (AMR)” to report the cargo through the “Advance Cargo Information Registration (AMR)” or the “Update Registered Advance Cargo Information (CMR)”. When the filer of the Manifest Submission (DMF) is the one who should implement Advance Cargo Information Registration (AMR), the filer needs to file the cargo information based on Master B/L by himself.
- ② When Japan Customs sends a filer an advance notice with “SPD” code on the ground that the cargo information based on Master B/L is not filed, those who discharge the cargo need to apply the “Application for Cargo Discharge Permission(DNC)” after confirming whether filing of the cargo information based on Master B/L is completed, according to the procedures described in ① above, or file the cargo information based on Master B/L by themselves.

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### 6. The discrepancy information when the “Departure Time Registration (ATD)” is not filed (Incomplete Departure Time Registration)

#### (1) Nature of discrepancy information

When the system finds that Departure Time Registration (ATD) has not been done for the cargo information filed through Advance Cargo Information Registration (AMR) or Update Advance Cargo Information (CMR), the system assesses it as “the discrepancy information when the “Departure Time Registration (ATD)” is not filed” and notifies it to the filer of “Manifest Submission (DMF)”.

#### (2) How to respond

When a filer of the DMF, etc. receives a notice of the discrepancy information, the filer needs to ask the filer of AMR to file the ATD as soon as possible. (If the filer of DMF has also the obligation to file AMR, file the ATD by himself.)

(Note) When the ATD is not filed after the notification of the discrepancy of Incomplete Departure Time Registration, a penalty may be imposed on the filer of DMF who has the obligation to file the ATD.

## (Reference) Typical cases of discrepancy

○ Please refer to the previous cases of discrepancy below and file the cargo information appropriately.

① Discrepancy information due to wrong Master B/L number.

There have been many instances of issuance of discrepancy information because of difference of master B/L number between the cargo information filed by a shipping company and the cargo information filed by NVOCCs. Please file Master B/L number properly.

- Overlap of the Carrier Code for NACCS

AMR:ABCDxxxzzz

AHR:ABCDABCDxxxzzz

- Difference of the Carrier Code for NACCS

AMR:ABCDxxxzzz

AHR:WXYZxxxzzz

- The missing of suffix

AMR:ABCDxxxzzz

AHR:ABCDxxxzzz1

## (Reference) Typical cases of discrepancy

There are many cases that “the discrepancy information when advance filing is incomplete” is sent to the filers because the B/L Number (Ocean B/L or Master B/L) filed through the “Advance Cargo Information Registration (AMR)” is different from the B/L Number (Ocean B/L or Master B/L) field through the “Manifest Information Registration(MFR)”. Please refer to the following cases and file properly.

- Cases that “the discrepancy information when advance filing is incomplete” is sent to the filers

B/L Number filed through AMR	B/L Number filed through MFR	The points of discrepancy in B/L number
XXXXABCD1234	ABCD1234	The first 4-digit code is redundant.
ABCD1234	EFGH5678	B/L number is totally different.
ABCDI234	ABCD1234	Confusion of 1 [number] with I [letter]
LMNO1234	LMN01234	Confusion of 0[number] with O[letter]
VXYZ99987	VXYZ9987	Mistyping of the consecutive numbers
VXYZ9987A	VXYZ9987	The final code is redundant.

## (Reference) Typical cases of discrepancy

### ② Discrepancy information due to wrong vessel information

There have been the following discrepancy information about vessel information (“Vessel Code”, “Voyage Number”, “Carrier Code”, “Port of Loading Code”, “Port of Loading Suffix”) because of difference of the vessel information between the shipping company and the NVOCC. Please file vessel information properly.

- Mistakes Port of Loading Suffix

AMR:no input

AHR:“1”

This suffix should be entered only when the vessel enters into the same port more than one time in a single voyage.

(If the port call at the same port is the second one in the same voyage, enter “1,”. Please refer to Appendix 8 and 10 of the “Introduction of the Advance Filing Rules on Maritime Container Cargo Information (Guidance)” on Japan Customs website.

<http://www.customs.go.jp/english/summary/advance5/annex.htm>

- Mistakes in Vessel Code

AMR:call sign

AHR:IMO number or vessel name

Please put the call sign, not the IMO number or the vessel name in the “Vessel Code” field.

(Reference) The vessel codes registered in NACCS

<https://bbs.naccscenter.com/naccs/dfw/web/afr/code.html>

When the vessel code is not registered in NACCS, “Vessel Code”, “Laden Vessel Name” and “Nationality Code of Vessel” need to be entered.

For more details, please refer to Procedure Specifications.

## (Reference) Typical cases of discrepancy

- Mistakes in Voyage Number

Followings are the examples of discrepancy. Please refer to these cases and file the Voyage Number properly with the shipping company and NVOCCs communicating each other.

CASE 1, AMR:1111 / AHR:V1111

CASE 2, AMR:222N / AHR:222

CASE 3, AMR:00333 / AHR:333

### ③ Discrepancy information due to wrong Master B/L Identifier

There was discrepancy of the cargo because a filer did not enter “M” in the “Master B/L Identifier” field of AMR. A filer of the cargo information based on the Master B/L needs to confirm if contracted NVOCC filed cargo information based on the relevant House B/L.

If there is a discrepancy in cargo type, “\*” is notified in the cargo discrepant field in the “Inquiry about the registered MB/L-HB/L List (IML)” .

### ④ Discrepancy information due to missing input of House B/L Register Completion Identifier

There was the discrepancy information when House B/L was not filed because a filer did not enter “E” in the “House B/L Register Completion Identifier” field of AHR or CHR. A filer of the cargo information based on the House B/L needs to enter “E” in the “House B/L Register Completion Identifier” field of AHR or CHR when the filer has filed all House B/L related Master B/L.