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**RE: POROUS BORDERS**

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The Customs Division of the Ghana Revenue Authority (GRA) has sighted an investigative documentary produced by Joy FM titled 'Porous Borders', which details the porous nature of Ghana's Eastern and Western borders and ways that smugglers evade payment of taxes and duties allegedly with the assistance of some Customs officers.

To deal with this issue, the Customs Division has set up an Investigative Team to:

1. Identify staff who are involved in the alleged acts of bribery in the documentary;
2. Investigate the specific incidents of alleged bribery; and
3. Assess any security vulnerabilities at the border points highlighted.

GRA wishes to thank Joy FM for their work and assures the trading community and the general public that the Authority will provide information on the outcomes of the investigation and sanctions meted out. We remain committed to our core mandate of mobilizing revenue for national development.

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