Temporary Importation

- B.O.I. Registered companies are qualified to bring into the country equipment on a consignment basis.
- Clearances from various government agencies, (BOI, DOF, & Tax Exempt Divisions of Customs) are required prior to importation.
- The above stated government agencies will allow a BOI registered firm to renew their temporary permits every six (6) months. These permits can be extended / renewed until the equipment is no longer required at the project.
- Temporary importation can be covered by a re-export bond or a Standby Letter of Credit (SBLC) from a domestic bank.
- Bonding companies and domestic banks must be accredited with the Bureau of Customs. Accreditation is now being renewed every quarter. (3 Months)
- The re-export bond value is equivalent to 150% of the duties and taxes. The bond premium is estimated to be 1.75 % of the re-export bond value. SBLC premiums are negotiated with domestic banks. Using Re-export bonds or SBLC's are the security instrument which secures the Re-export permit.
- Permits expire ever six months. Bonds expire every six months. SBLC's expire every year. During the term of a SBLC the permit will be secured twice. Customs in the Philippines prefers SBLC's over Bonds.
- Cancelations of SBLC's for re-export are only approved as follows:
- Payment of duties and taxes, based on the value at the time the item entered the country. Depreciated value's are not accepted.
- Re-exportation of equipment to the country of origin or to another country.