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KUALA LUMPUR: Malaysian factories wanting to export their products to Egypt must now register with the Egyptian General Organisation for Export and Import Control (GOEIC).

This follows the issuance of a Ministerial Decree requiring all foreign factories to do so.

The Malaysia External Trade Development Corporation (Matrade) in a statement said the decree on the mandatory requirement was issued on Feb 2, 2016 and is effective March 16.

"Malaysian factories must make a one-off online registration with GOEIC via its website.

"The relevant documents, include a certificate of the legal status of the factory and production licence, a statement of products produced by the factory and trademarks, and the trademark used under licence from the owner," it added.

According to Matrade, the application must also include a certificate to prove that the factory implements a quality control system.

The certificate should be issued by the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC), the International Accreditation Forum (IAF) or from any Egyptian or foreign government entity approved by the Minister of Foreign Trade of Egypt.

The application and these documents must then be submitted to the Egyptian

Embassy in Kuala Lumpur for authentication (stamping and verification signature by the Consulate General Section).

After completing the process, it said the documents would have to be submitted by-hand to GOEIC by the factory's legal representative or agent.

The Egyptian Embassy has also indicated that Matrade's office in Cairo can submit the registration documents on behalf of Malaysian factories to the GOEIC.

This is, provided, the factories issue an authorisation letter to Matrade Cairo to do so.

Among the list of products that require the mandatory registration are milk and related products (except for infants), dried and preserved fruits, oils and fats, chocolates and food preparation containing cocoa as well as baths, shower bath, wash basins, toilet seats and covers.

The full list of products can be downloaded at [http://www.goeic.gov.eg/en/index\\_r.asp](http://www.goeic.gov.eg/en/index_r.asp).

Malaysian companies planning to export or are already exporting to the country can contact the Matrade Cairo marketing officer, Ghada Fayek Fouad, by emailing to [cairo@matrade.gov.my](mailto:cairo@matrade.gov.my) or to [ice@matrade.gov.my](mailto:ice@matrade.gov.my).

Matrade strongly encourages Malaysian exporters to register their factories with GOEIC by the deadline to avoid difficulties in exporting to Egypt. - Bernama