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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION OS-WP-LD-VC-69 OF 2020

Samir Patel ... Petitioner

versus

Commissioner of Customs and Ors. ... Respondents

CORAM: S.J. KATHAWALLA &

N.R.BORKAR, JJ.

DATE: 16th JUNE, 2020

P.C.:

1. Not on board. Upon mentioning, taken on board.

2. The abovenamed Petitioner, has through his Advocate circulated a praecipe for urgent reliefs at 4.30 p.m., stating that in December, 2016, the Petitioner was diagnosed with oral cancer and due to remedial surgical operations, his intake of food/nutrients is only possible through a feeding tube. The feeding tubes are required to be imported from time to time from USA. The Petitioner has imported four boxes of such feeding tubes labelled "Osmolite Nutrio N-Food for Tube Feeding Patient" from USA through DHL (Courier Agency) under AWB No.6092361590. The Assistant Commissioner of Customs, Air Cargo Complex, Sahar, Andheri (E), Mumbai – 400 099 has however withheld the said packets on grounds which are unclear to the Petitioner. The said feeding tubes are not available in India and there is also no

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alternative available. The Petitioner has stock of the feeding tubes which will last only for a very few days. In view thereof, Respondents shall remain present before this Court on 18th June, 2020 by themselves and/or through their Advocates and explain the difficulty in releasing the packets containing feeding tubes. A copy of this order shall be forthwith forwarded to Mr. Pradeep Jetly, Senior Advocate, who regularly appears in custom matters before this Court.

- 2. Stand over to 18th June, 2020 at 11.00 a.m.
- 3. This order will be digitally signed by the Private Secretary of this Court. All concerned will act on production by fax or email of a digitally signed copy of this order.

(N.R.BORKAR, J.)

(S.J.KATHAWALLA, J.)