



## Newsletter:

### Executive Branch of the Dominican Republic promulgates new Law for the Eradication of Illicit Trade, Contraband and Counterfeit Regulated Products.

As of February 20, 2019, the Executive Branch of the Dominican Republic promulgated Law No.17-19, with the purpose of eradicating illegal trade, contraband and counterfeiting of "regulated" products such as medicines, hydrocarbons, alcohols, products of tobacco and its derivatives.

This Law creates the crime of illegal trade, subject to new administrative and penal sanctions, the manufacture, import, storage or commercialization, in the national territory, including within free zone and logistics centers, of any regulated product, without sanitary registration or governmental license or when the license has been revoked; as well as the evasion, through false declarations, of the payment of applicable taxes.

It is pertinent to specify that the attempt to commit the crime will be punished as the crime itself.

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