8. Meeting of the MARS GROUP Report

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Topics:

- Exchange of information related to the Market surveillance activities
- Database on market surveillance authorities
- Revision of the Recommendation M
- Presentation of the Internet based Information and Communication system of Market surveillance – ICSMS
Topic:

- General Model for Market Surveillance
- Common definition of market Surveillance
- CE Marking under the NLF and recent EU legal text
- Development of the common technical regulation system under the Common Economic Space
Exchange of information related to the Market surveillance activities

- **Swedish Board of Accreditation and Market Surveillance** - Enhanced co-operation MSA on National level under the Regulation 765/2008/EC - example Toys

- **Organisation of Market Surveillance in Belarus** - Criteria for definition and inspection requirements of products and installation belonging to the different risk group

- **Slovak example of synergy between MSA dealing with product on the market and MSA dealing with product put into the operation (Labour safety inspection)** – Remaining employers responsibility for the safety at work and the modification of equipment made upon their request

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Database on market surveillance authorities

- Presentation of the UNECE secretariat compendium of the information received under the mandate approved by WP.6), and posted on the website (see ECE/TRADE/C/WP.6/2009/19, para.52, and ECE/TRADE/C/WP.6/2010/16)

- Other system in place, gathering data for the purpose of networking to facilitate the movement of goods and to identify dangerous products

- Future usage of the compendium – simple broad system of information in EN and RU

- National point of contact for the database?

- New Recommendation on networking?
In revising the recommendation, the following should be taken into account:

- Regulation 765/2008/EC on the enforcement of intellectual property rights
- Work undertaken by the European Observatory on Counterfeiting and Piracy
- Possible synergies with tools for traceability that are available within third party certification schemes (or accreditation bodies)
- Cooperating with UN/CEFACT to explore the use of the United Nations coding system for tracing counterfeit goods as well as the OECD initiatives dealing with the same issues
- New recommendation on traceability?
1) Recommendation on MSA networking

2) Recommendation on traceability

3) Both idea for new recommendation put together?

- Art. 25.2 and Art. 26 of Regulation N° 765/2008 encourages the member States not only to exchange of experience, information and best practice among, but also to develop the cooperation with competent authorities of third countries

- Facilitating new responsibilities in supply chain

- UNECE WP.6 database would be worth to devote the necessary resources in for keeping it up-to-dated
General Market Surveillance Model developed sub-procedure related to the sampling

WP.6 Bureau in Stockholm recommended to ask ICSMS for data for checking the sampling procedure (subsequent MARS)

document on sampling procedure is available as a conference room document for the WP.6 November session and encouraged the secretariat and members of the Group to continue exploring possibilities for finding suitable data for checking the procedure
- proposals for amendments received from the delegation of Belarus (see annex II):

- comments had been received too close to the date of the meeting and are available to the UNECE annual session as a conference room paper

- recommendation for further work
main decisions emanating from the meeting

MARS” Group requested the secretariat

encouraged the secretariat and members of the Group

- to continue to improve the database by using broad sectors and aiming at developing a simple, broad system of information, in both English and Russian
- to make the document on sampling procedures available as a conference room paper for the 2010 annual session of the Working Party
- to continue to explore possibilities of finding suitable data for checking the procedure
main decisions emanating from the meeting MARS” Group

- Recommendation M
  
  the session should also consider inserting an additional clause to “encourage market surveillance authorities – in sectors in which these are available – to use tools for traceability available in third party certification schemes”

- New Recommendation on Traceability and Networking.
PROPOSED DECISION

• The working party entrusts MARS Group to prepare proposals
  – Regarding the revision of the Recommendation M
  – On feasibility of preparing Recommendation(s)
    On traceability and co-operation of Market Surveillance Authorities
to consider in this regard the work on traceability in co-operation with the
UNECE Programme on e-Standards
Thank you for your attention