IMPLEMENTATION OF TIR SYSTEM: TURKEY

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CONTENT OF THE PRESENTATION

• HISTORY

• FUNCTIONING OF THE TIR PROCEDURE IN TURKEY

• EVALUATION
HISTORY


- 56 implementing countries as at 1 January 2008.

- Turkey has been continuously implementing the Convention since 1966.
LEGISLATION

• TIR Convention

• Notification Relating to Implementation of TIR System

• Customs Code No: 4458

• Implementing Provisions of Customs Code

• Circulars
The TIR system in Turkey functions as explained below:

- Ministry of Transport → International Road Transport Authorization Certificate
- Some documents → Chamber of commerce
- The application → National guaranteeing association (The Union Of Chambers and Commodity Exchanges Of Turkey, TOBB)
AUTHORIZATION N(II)

- Union’s TIR Committee → Duly completed MAF (Modal Authorization Form) → Prime Ministry/Undersecretariat of Customs/Directory General of Customs Control.

- DG Customs Control → TIR/Transit Tracking Program → TIR Executive Board (TIRExB)
SECURITY IMPLEMENTATIONS

- Guarantee: US $ 50,000 for each TIR Carnet (US $ 200,000 for Tobacco/Alcohol TIR Carnets)

- All the road vehicles have to be technically approved by the customs offices.

- National Customs Control Measures: Escort of road vehicles (appropriate to Arc. 23 of the Convention)
  - On the basis of a risk management based system
  - Detected risk component (time, risky company, driver, consignee, consignor, goods subjected to the offence)
INTERNATIONAL GUARANTEE SYSTEM (GUARANTEE CHAIN)

Customs Offices

National Guaranteeing Association

International Organization (IRU)

Int. Insurance Company (Zurich Insurance Company)

Local Insurance Company

Carnet Holder
- Electronic control system
- Discharging information (by customs authorities via National Association to IRU)
- Two times a week
• 1229 firms as of 31 December 2008 in TIR system of Turkey

• Turkey & Russian Federation
- Tracking of TIR trucks by TIR/Transit Tracking Program.

- If a Volet-1 (departure or entry customs offices) doesn’t match to Volet-2 (destination or exit customs offices):
  
  ✓ No return to customs office of an departure or entrance
  ✓ An infringement

  legitimate proceedings
  (by local customs offices)

National guaranteeing association  Transporter
INFRINGEMENT

- No satisfactory evidence of discharging of a TIR operation
- Customs duties will be claimed from carnet holder. The guaranteeing association shall be liable, jointly and severally with the carnet holder for payment.
- The scale of unlawfulness, previous infringements, nature of goods

*Physical inspection  *Temporary or certain exclusion  *Cancellation of the authorization from TIR system
One of the most important mission of Turkish Customs as one outstanding member of the TIR system is to bring down illegal trade to the minimum point and to carry legal trade to the maximum point.

Taking into account that Turkey is the country deriving utmost benefit from TIR system and near 50% of its exportation is transported via land route, Turkey has an important advantage of using TIR system.
OUR OBJECTIVE

- To execute road transportation in accordance with provisions of TIR Convention, in the framework of risk analysis reaching nearly %100 of automated customs procedures.

- To conduct the system reliable and efficient by means of coordination with private sector
THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!