Amendment proposals to the eTIR Reference Model
International declaration mechanisms

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Outline

- Background
- Definitions
- Current procedure (WP.30/2011/4)
- Proposed amendment (Annex GE.1/2011/9)
- Survey
- Comments on the document
Further to UNECE-IRU meeting on 15 February 2011

2 Proposals of which:

- introduce international declaration mechanisms (ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2011/9)
Background

- Available options:
  - Sending EDI messages to Customs
  - Using a Customs web application (form)
  - Customs brokers
  - IRU TIR-EPD

- All solutions have direct or indirect financial consequences for the holders

- In the RM: Standard messages but no standard procedures (issue of authentication)
Definitions

- **Advance cargo information**: Information provided to the competent Customs authorities within the prescribed deadlines and in the prescribed form and manner of the intention of the holder to place goods under the TIR procedure or pursue a TIR transport.

- **Declaration**: Act whereby the holder, or his representative, indicates in the prescribed form and manner a wish to place goods under the TIR procedure.
Current procedure (Departure)
Current procedure (Entry)

1. Advance cargo information, incl. previously accepted declaration(s) + other TIR transport info

2. Risk analysis

3. Customs along the itinerary

4. eTIR international system

5. National information system

6. ITDB

7. Holder

8. Sealed vehicle

Accompanying document

Customs office of entry
Proposed amendment

Private

Holder

B2B: Guarantee info

National Association

International organization

Guarantee Chain

Public

Customs

B2C: Declaration (including via 3rd party solutions)

eTIR International system

B2C: Declaration

C2C: Transport, operations, Guarantee and declaration info

C2B: Transport & operations info

ITDB

National

International

ITDB
Issues for considerations

- Authentication
  - Direct representative
  - International certification authority
  - ...

- Technical alternatives
  - EDI
  - Web based

- Authentication as part of the authorization procedure?
Survey

- Is authentication required for sending advance cargo information?
- Current and future use of authentication and electronic signature in TIR CP?
- Is it possible to rely on foreign certifications authorities (CA)?
- Would it be possible to create an international CA?
Comments on the document

- France: Legal vs physical person
- UK: Declarations made to the “home country”
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