TRADE FACILITATION IN TRADE and TRANSPORT AND GOOD GOVERNANCE (ideas for intra UNECE cooperation)

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE TRANSACTION PROCESS

BUY

SHIP

PAY

INVolVES

Prepare For Export

Export

Transport

Prepare For Import

Import

COMMERCIAL PROCEDURES
- Establish Contract
- Order Goods
- Advise On Delivery
- Request Payment

TRANSPORT PROCEDURES
- Establish Transport Contract
- Collect, Transport and Deliver Goods
- Provide Waybill, Goods Receipt, Status report

REGULATORY PROCEDURES
- Obtain Import/Export Licences etc
- Provide Customs Declarations
- Provide Cargo Declaration
- Apply Trade Security Procedures
- Clear Goods for Export/Import

FINANCIAL PROCEDURES
- Provide Credit Rating
- Provide Insurance
- Provide Credit
- Execute Payment
- Issue Statements
What is Trade Facilitation

• It encompasses the systematic rationalization of processes, procedures, infrastructures and documentation for international trade.

• Involves customs, other regulatory agencies, transport, ports, customs brokers, freight forwarders, finance, insurance, legal issues, etc

• It requires strong dialogue and partnership between government and the business community

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Trade Facilitation and ICT

Goods cannot move faster than the information that controls them

• Strong link for many years – UN/CEFACT, UN/EDIFACT
• NEW EMPHASIS: WTO discussions and Security Concerns
• Focus on advance information puts ICT - and the link between TF and ICT - in the spotlight (intentional supply chains, security, etc), risk analysis, ACI, etc
• Single window; New projects - UNeDocs

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UN/CEFACT Standards and Recommendations

• UN Layout Key for Trade Documents (ISO 6422)
• UN/EDIFACT (ISO 9735)
• UNTDED (ISO 7372)
• UNeDocs
• Single Window (Rec. 33)
• Compendium of Recommendations
• Recommendation 4 on TF Structures
• New (draft) Recommendations – 34, 35…
Data Simplification, Harmonization, Standardization

UN/CEFACT (draft) Recommendation 34
Rec.- 34 Format/Features

• organizing harmonization process
• data harmonization steps
• size of the standard data set
• achieving greater definition in UNTDED
• Consultations with trade and transport community
• Impact on legacy systems
• Case studies
Proposed Recommendation (Steps):

• Prepare national data inventory
• Consolidate data inventory into harmonized and simplified national data set
• Standardize national data set by mapping to UNTDED (goal: regional/international agreements on data requirements)
• Map the standardized national data set to a data model for Cross Border Data Exchange (based on UNCEFACT CCL). Goal: provide harmonized national message specifications for EDI in UN/EDIFACT or XML format
• Combine national subsets of 2 or more countries into a multilateral subset of a cross border reference data model (goal: provide multilateral message specifications for EDI) in UN/EDIFACT or XML format
Recommendation 34- scope and users

Shall Governments (all governmental agencies):

- Simplify their data requirements?
- Cooperate with other national agencies on harmonization of common data requirements and of format of their presentation/submission?
- Use relevant international and regional standards for harmonization?

*Shall Rec.34 be only for e-users in trade or for all governmental agencies and shall concern all regulatory data requirements?*
You are very welcome to join us

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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