

Situation Regarding Acceptances of WCO Recommendations

(18 May 2016)

The attached tables show the position as regards acceptances of the Recommendations concerning the Permanent Technical Committee, grouped as follows:

- A. Recommendations designed to promote co-operation between Customs administrations;
- B. Recommendations designed to secure uniformity in practices as regards duty-free admission or the repayment or remission of duties;
- C. Recommendations concerning Transport, Travel and Tourism;
- D. Recommendations concerning Information Technologies;
- E. Recommendations related to Compliance and Enforcement
- F. Other recommendations

Caption:

* Non-Member country.

** Status akin to WCO membership

+ Recommendation accepted.

x Recommendation applied (but not formally accepted).

(+) or (x) Recommendation accepted or applied, subject to reservation.

Members who have not accepted any Recommendation in the table are not included therein.

MEMBER, STATE OR CUSTOMS TERRITORY	A. Recommendations designed to promote co-operation between Customs administrations				B. Recommendations designed to secure uniformity in practices as regards duty-free admission or the repayment or remission of duties								
	Customs question International level (1956)	Information Document (1963)	Revenue Status of goods (1963)	Technical co-operation (1981)	Goods not conforming to contract (1957)	Tax-free shops (1960)	Goods destroyed or lost (1962)	Transfer of residence (1972)	Shortages (1962)	Reimported goods (1967)	Gift consignments (1968 amended 1978)	Relief consignments (1970)	Products imported for testing (1972)
Hungary				+	+	+	+	+	+	+		+	
India									+		(+)		
Indonesia	+				+								
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	+	+	+				+	(+)				+	
Ireland	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+		(+)
Israel	+	+	+		+	+	+	(+)	+	+	(+)	+	+
Italy	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	(+)	+	+	+
Japan	+	+			+	+	+	(+)	+	+	+	(+)	
Kenya	+				+	+		+	+				
Korea (Rep. of)	+												
Lebanon		+					+		+				
Lesotho	+		+		+	+	+	+	+	+	(+)	+	+
Lithuania				+									
Luxembourg	+	+	+		(+)	+	+	+	+	+	+		
Macau, China													
Madagascar												+	
Malta		+					+			+	(+)	+	
Mauritania													
Mauritius												+	+
Netherlands	+	+		+	(+)	+	+	+	+	+	+		
New Zealand	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	(+)	+	(+)	+	+	
Nigeria			+	+	+	+	(+)		+	(+)			
Norway	+	+			(+)	+	+	(+)	+	+		+	+

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Pakistan	+	+	+			+	(+)	(+)	+	(+)	(+)	(+)	+	
Poland				+									x	
Portugal	+	+	+	+		+	+				(+)	+	+	
Romania		+	+									+		
Russian Federation												(x)		
Rwanda	+		+		+	+	+	+	+					
Senegal				+							+			
Serbia	+				+	+						+		
Slovakia	+						+					+	+	
Slovenia		+										+		
South Africa	+		+		(+)	+	+	(+)	+	+	(+)	+	(+)	
South Sudan														
Spain	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	(+)	+	+	(+)	+	+	
Sri Lanka														
Sudan								(+)						
Sweden	+	+			+	+	+	+	+	+	(+)	+	+	
Switzerland	+	+		+	(+)		+	+	+	+	+	+	+	
The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	+		+		+	+						+		
Togo													+	
Tunisia									+		+			
Turkey	+	+		+								+		
United Kingdom	+	+			+	+	+	+	+	(+)		(+)		
United States	+	+	+	+	(+)		+	(+)	+		+	+	+	

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*Equatorial Guinea												+	
**European Union				+									
TOTAL	40	34	23	24	35	36	35	30	34	33	27	40	23

MEMBER, STATE OR CUSTOMS TERRITORY	C. Recommendations Concerning Transport, Travel and Tourism																		
	Radio and television vans (1955)	Radio and television vans (1977)	Radio and television broadcasting equipment(1985)	Provisions on international trains (1960)	Registered baggage(1962)	Customs seals (1968)	Fiat rate (1968)	Dual-channel system at airports (1971)	Dual-channel system at seaports (1972)	Lighters (LASH-type vessels)(1972)	Application of ITI Convention (1973)	Special equipment transport radio-active materials(1977)	Links between transit systems (1982)	Acceptance of ATA Carnet (1992)	Acceptance of CPD Carnet (1992)	API and PNR (2012)	Container Security Devices (2013)	Data Quality (2015)	API and PNR (2015)
Algeria							+	+		+			+						
Australia		(+)					(+)			+		(+)		+		+			
Austria		+		+	+		+	+		+		+	+	x	x				
Belgium	+		+	+	+	+	(+)	+	+				+	x			+		
Bosnia and Herzegovina																	(+)		
Brazil													+						
Bulgaria	+			+										+	+				
Burkina Faso							+												
Cameroon												+							
Canada										+			+	+					
Cape Verde																	+		
Chile						+													
Congo (Democratic Republic of the)																	+		
Côte d'Ivoire	+				+														
Croatia														+			+		
Cyprus		+						+				(+)		+			+		
Czech. (Rep.)			+	+	+	+							+	+					
Denmark		+		+	+					+		+	+	+					
Egypt	+																		
Finland		+			+			+	+	+		+	+	+	+				

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France		+	(+)	+	+		+	+	+			+	+	+					
Germany		+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+		+	+	+	+				
Ghana																			
Greece	+			+	+			+					+	+					
Hungary		+						+											
India								+	(+)										
Indonesia	+																		
Iran (Islamic Republic of)								+					+						
Ireland		+					(+)	+	+			+		+					
Israel		+					(+)	+	+										
Italy	(+)	+	+	+	+	+	(+)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+		
Japan		+				+	(+)			+						+	+		+
Kazakhstan																+			
Kenya								+											
Korea (Rep.)																			+
Lesotho		(+)					(+)	+					+						
Lithuania					+								+	+			+		
Luxembourg	+			+	+	+	(+)	+											
Madagascar								+	+								+		
Malta	+					+	(+)	+						+					
Mauritius														+					
Morocco																	+		
Netherlands		+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+		+	+						

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Tunisia							(+)						+						
Turkey		+											+	+		+	+		+
Ukraine																	+		
United Kingdom		+				+	(+)	+	+	+		+	+	+					
United States		+				+	(+)			+			+			+	+	+	+
Vanuatu																+			
** European Union			+		+								+	+	+				
TOTAL	12	26	11	20	24	17	25	30	13	20	2	19	25	26	8	8	15	2	5

D. Recommendation concerning Information Technologies

MEMBER, STATE OR CUSTOMS TERRITORY	Good declarations processed by computer (1996)	Code for data elements (1984)	CCC/IIATA Standards (1988)	UN/EDIFACT rules (1990)	UNTED (1990)	Advance Passenger Information (1993)	WCO Data for UN/EDIFACT message (1995)	Use of world wide web sites (1999)	Unique Consignment Reference (2004)	WCO Data Model (2009)	Dematerialization of Supporting documents (2012)
Algeria		(+)									
Australia		(+)									
Austria		+									
Barbados											+
Belgium		+									
Brazil		(+)									
Cameroon						+					
Canada	+	+									
Czech. (Rep.)				+	+		+				+
Finland		(+)									
France		+									
Germany		+									
Iran(Islamic Republic of)		(+)									
Lithuania		+									
Netherlands		+									
New Zealand	(+)	(+)									
Norway		(+)									
Pakistan		(+)									
Poland		+									
Saudi Arabia											+
Senegal		+									
South Africa		+									
Sweden		(+)									
Switzerland		+	+	+	+						+

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Tunisia	+	(±)									
United Kingdom		(±)		+							
United States	+	(±)						+			+
Zimbabwe		(±)									
** European Union		+									
TOTAL	4	25	1	3	2	1	1	1	0	0	5

E. Recommendations related to Compliance and Enforcement

MEMBER, STATE OR CUSTOMS TERRITORY	Mutual administrative assistance (5 December 1953)	The pooling of information concerning commercial fraud (8 June 1967)	The spontaneous exchange of information on illicit trafficking in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances (8 June 1971)	The pooling of information concerning Customs fraud (22 May 1975)	Action against Customs fraud relating to containers (15 June 1983)	The development of co-ordinated enforcement and intelligence operations aimed at identifying and intercepting concealed illicit drugs (13 June 1985)	Action against Customs valuation fraud (22 June 1988)	The need to develop more effective Customs controls aimed at the prevention of international trade in IPR infringing goods (21 June 1994)	Bilateral agreement on mutual administrative assistance (21 June 1995)	Transnational organized crime (18 June 1997)	Action against illicit cross-border movement of nuclear and hazardous material (including their wastes) (19 June 1997)
Algeria	+	+			+						
Argentina	+	+									
Australia	+	+	+	+	+	+					
Austria	+	+	+		+						
Azerbaijan											
Belgium	+	+	+	+							
Bulgaria	+				+						
Cameroon		+		+			+				
Canada	+	+	+	+		+		+			
China											
Côte d'Ivoire		+	+								
Cyprus	+	+	+	+	+	+	+				
Czech. (Rep.)	+	+	+		+			+			
Denmark	+	+	+	+							
Egypt	+	+									
El Salvador											
Estonia											
Finland	+	+	+	+							
France	+	+	+	+	+			+			

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Georgia											
Germany	+	+	+	+	+						
Greece	+	+	+	+	+						
Guinea											
Haiti					+						
Iceland	+										
India	+		+								
Indonesia											
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	+	+	+	+	+						
Ireland	+	+	+	+							
Israel	+	+	+		+	+					
Italy	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	
Japan	+	+	+	+							
Kenya			+								
Korea (Rep.)	+	+	+	+							
Kuwait							+				
Latvia											
Lebanon											
Lesotho	+	+	+		+	+	+				

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Russian Federation											
Rwanda	+	+									
Saudi Arabia											
Senegal	+	+		+	+		+				
Slovakia	+										
Slovenia											
South Africa			+			+	+				
Spain	+	+	+								
Sudan			+								
Sweden	+	+	+	+			+			+	
Switzerland		+	+								
Tanzania	+	+									
Thailand	+	+	+								
The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia							+				
Tonga					+	+					
Tunisia	+	+	+								
Turkey	+		+			+					
Uganda		+	+								
United Kingdom	+	+	+	+		+		+			

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United States	+	+	+	+	+	+		+		+	+
Zimbabwe					+						
*Cook Islands						+					
** European Union					+						
TOTAL	48	45	42	26	25	16	13	7	1	2	3

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MEMBER, STATE OR CUSTOMS TERRITORY	The need to develop and strengthen the role of Customs administrations in tackling money laundering and in recovering the proceeds of crime (June 2001 as amended June 2005)	Concerning the Protocol against the illicit manufacturing of and trafficking in firearms, their parts and components and ammunition, supplementing the United Nations convention against transnational organized crime (June 2002)	The operation of the global network of RILO (June 2003)	Action against Customs Commercial fraud (1 July 2006)	Actions against cross-border environmental offences (28 June 2008)
Algeria					
Argentina		+		+	
Australia					
Austria					
Azerbaijan	+	+		+	
Belgium					
Bulgaria	+			+	
Cameroon	+			+	+
Canada					
China	+	+	+	+	
Côte d'Ivoire					
Cyprus					
Czech. (Rep.)			+		
Denmark					
Egypt	+				
El Salvador	+			+	
Estonia	+			+	
Finland					
France					
Georgia		+			
Germany	+				
Greece					

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Guinea			+		
Haiti					
Iceland					
India					
Indonesia					+
Iran(Islamic Republic of)					
Ireland					
Israel			+ (excl. 1)	+ (excl. 5)	
Italy	+	+	+	+	+
Japan			+		
Kenya			+		
Korea (Rep.)					
Kuwait					
Latvia		+			
Lebanon				+	
Lesotho					
Libya				+	
Luxembourg					
Malawi					
Malaysia					
Malta					

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Mauritius					
Mexico		+		+	
Montenegro					+
Morocco					
Mozambique					+
Netherlands					
New Zealand	+				
Nigeria					
Norway	+ (excl. 6 & 7)		+		
Pakistan					
Philippines					
Poland					
Portugal					
Romania	+	+			
Russian Federation	+				+
Rwanda					
Saudi Arabia		+		+	
Senegal			+		
Slovakia					
Slovenia		+ (excl. 4 & 12)			

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South Africa					
Spain					
Sudan				+	
Sweden					
Switzerland					
Tanzania					
Thailand					
The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia					
Tonga					
Tunisia					
Turkey					
Uganda					
United Kingdom					
United States	+ (excl.14)			+ (excl.8,9 &10)	+
Zimbabwe					
*Cook Islands					
** European Union					
TOTAL	14	10	9	15	7

MEMBER, STATE OR CUSTOMS TERRITORY	F. Other recommendation						
	Samples of negligible value (1956)	Lay-out key for the Goods declarations (outwards) (1965)	Right of appeal (1967)	Standard form certificate of origin(1973)	Commercial invoices (1979)	Single Goods Declaration (1990)	Glossary (1993)
Algeria	+						
Australia	+				+		
Austria	+		+	+	+		
Bangladesh					+		
Belgium	+		(+)	+	+		
Botswana				+			
Bulgaria			+				
Burkina Faso	+						
Burundi				+			
Canada	+	+		+	+		
Chad					(+)		(+)
Côte d'Ivoire	(+)						
Cyprus	(+)	+	+	+	+		
Czech. (Rep.)	+			+			
Denmark	+		+	+			
Egypt	+		+				
Finland	+	+	+	+	+		
France	+	+	+	+	+		
Germany	+	+	+	+	+		
Greece					+		
Hungary	+		X		+		
India			+				
Indonesia	+						

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Iran(Islamic Republic of)		+		+	+		
Ireland	(+)		+	+	+		
Israel	+	+	+	+			
Italy	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Japan	+		+				
Kenya		+		+			
Korea (Rep. of)				+			
Lesotho	(+)		+		+		
Lithuania					+		
Luxembourg	+		+	+			
Malta	+		+				
Netherlands	+		+	+	+		
New Zealand	+	+	+	+	+		
Nigeria	+		+	+			
Norway	(+)	+	+	+	+		
Oman							
Pakistan	+		(+)	+			
Poland				X	+		
Portugal			+	+	+		
Romania	+	+					
Rwanda	+	+					
Sierra Leone				+			
Singapore					(+)		
Slovakia	+			+			

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Slovenia	+						
South Africa	(+)		+				
Spain	+	+	+		+		
Sudan					+		
Sweden	+	x	(+)	+	+		
Switzerland	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	+						
Turkey				+			
United Kingdom		+	+	+			
United States	+	+	+		+		
TOTAL	38	18	30	31	28	2	3