MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

THE CUSTOMS CO-OPERATION COUNCIL

AND

THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PORTS AND HARBORS
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thereby facilitating a productive exchange of
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Done at Brussels on 21 August 1987.

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Chairman,
Facilitation Committee
International
Association of Ports
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General Manager
Port of Antwerp.

G.R. DICKERSON,
Secretary General
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Customs Co-operation
Council.
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