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SAFE and Customs to Business Partnerships

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Background

- The global trading system is vulnerable to terrorist exploitation.
- Customs administrations can provide increased security to the global supply chain.
- Securing the international trade supply chain is only one step for Customs administrations for the 21st Century.
- SAFE Framework of Standards to secure and facilitate global trade (SAFE FoS) adopted by WCO Council in June 2005.
- 168 of WCO's 179 Members committed to implement SAFE FoS



Objectives and principles

- ◆ The SAFE Framework aims to :
 - Establish standards that provide supply chain security and facilitation at a global level to promote certainty and predictability.
 - Enable integrated supply chain management for all modes of transport.
 - Enhance the role, functions and capabilities of Customs to meet the challenges and opportunities of the 21st Century.
 - Strengthen co-operation between Customs administrations to improve their capability to detect high-risk consignments.
 - **Strengthen Customs/Business co-operation.**
 - Promote the seamless movement of goods through secure international trade supply chains.



Four Core Principles



Advance electronic information

Harmonize the advance electronic information requirement on inbound, outbound and transit shipments.



Risk management

Commit to employing a consistent risk management approach to address security threats.



Outbound inspection

Outbound inspection of high risk consignments being exported, preferably using non-intrusive inspection methods.



Business partnerships

Customs will provide benefits to businesses that meet minimal supply chain security standards and best practices.



Two Pillars

Customs-to-Customs Pillar	Customs-to-Business Pillar
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Integrated Supply Chain management2. Cargo Inspection Authority3. Modern Technology in Inspection Equipment4. Risk-Management Systems5. High-risk Cargo or Container6. Advance Electronic Information7. Targeting and Communication8. Performance Measures9. Security Assessments10. Employee Integrity11. Outbound Security Inspections	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. <u>Partnership</u>2. <u>Security</u>3. <u>Benefits</u>4. <u>Technology</u>5. <u>Communication</u>6. <u>Facilitation</u>



Customs-to-Business Pillar

◆ Standard 1 – Partnership

- a self-assessment process measured against pre-determined security standards and best practices to ensure adequate safeguards against the compromise of their shipments and containers until they are released from Customs control at destination.

◆ Standard 2 – Security

- AEO will incorporate pre-determined security best practices into their existing business practices.

◆ Standard 3 – Authorization

- The Customs administration, and the trade community, will design validation processes or quality accreditation procedures that offer incentives to businesses through their status as AEO.



Customs-to-Business Pillar

◆ Standard 4 – Technology

- All parties will maintain cargo and container integrity by facilitating the use of modern technology.

◆ Standard 5 – Communication

- The Customs administration will regularly update Customs-Business partnership programs to promote minimum security standards and supply chain security best practices.

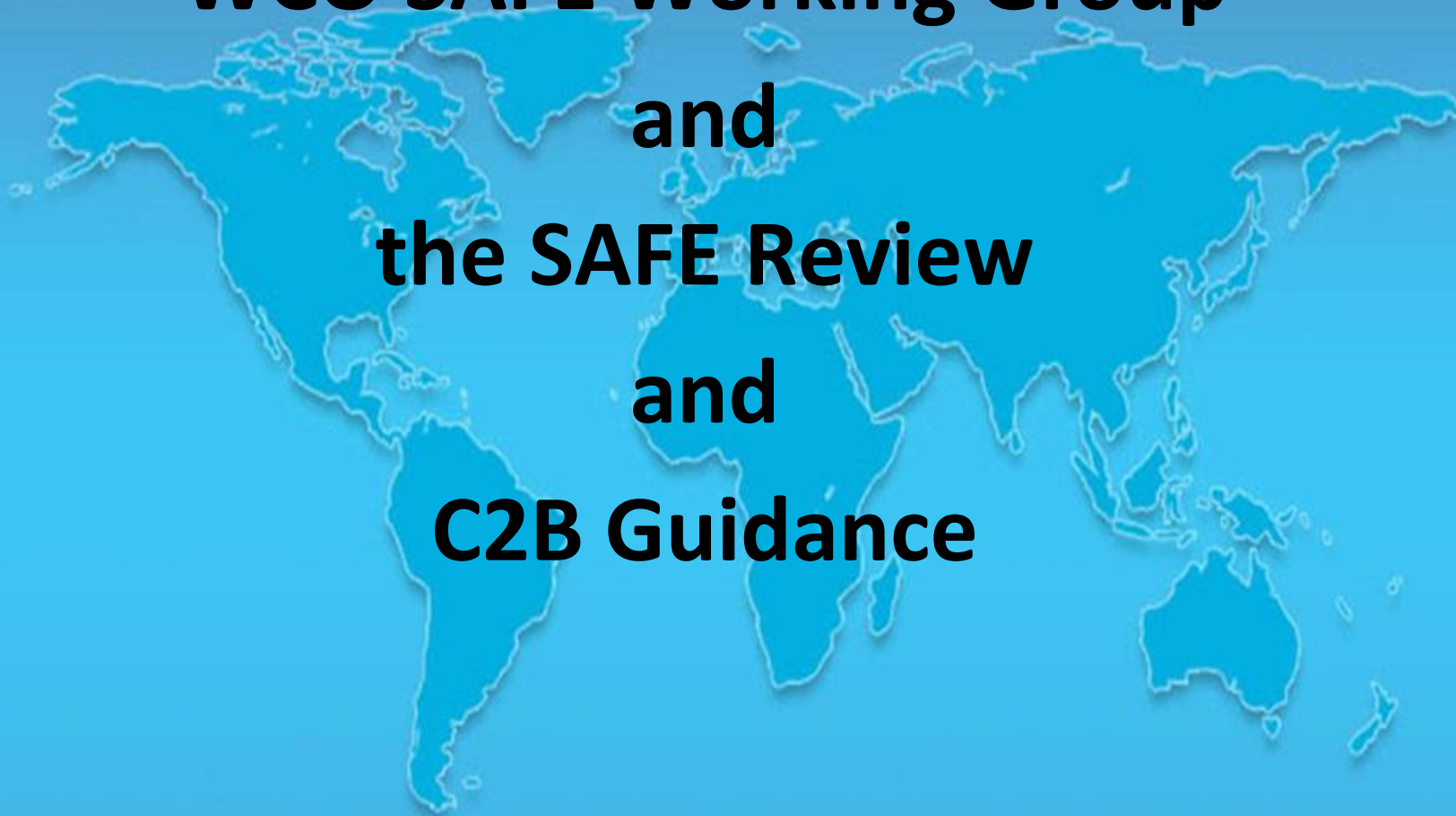
◆ Standard 6 – Facilitation

- The Customs administration will work co-operatively with AEO to maximize security and facilitation of the international trade supply chain originating in or moving through its Customs territory.



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**WCO SAFE Working Group
and
the SAFE Review
and
C2B Guidance**





“Partnership”

- Success factors
 - Development of Trust
 - Approaches to accomplish?
 - Engagement/consultation
 - Beginning of AEO development
 - Ongoing engagements
 - Associations versus individual companies?
 - ‘Training’/familiarization with roles, priorities and challenges
 - Commitment at all levels



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Thank you