WCO Support to TFA Implementation Process

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✓ WCO Assistance to Members in National Self Assessments of Needs and Priorities
Converting TFA Measures into Programmes

**Transparency**
- Web Publication of compliance information
- Prior Consultation
- Enquiry points
- Notification of alerts

**Efficiency**
- Electronic Processing
- Dematerialization
- Single Window
- International Standards
- Coordinated Border Management

**Predictability**
- Pre-arrival processing
- Separation of Release & Clearance
- Authorised Operators
- Risk Management
- Post Clearance Audit
- Advance Ruling

**WTO TFA MEASURES**

**PROGRAMMES**
- Risk Management
- Post Clearance Audit
- Single Window
- Dematerialization
- Authorized Operators
- Exchange of Information
- Other Programmes

✓ WCO Assistance in Strategic Planning & Programme Management
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Strategic Planning, Programme Management & Delivery

1. Diagnostic Framework
2. Strategic Planning
3. Business-Case Development
4. Project Implementation
5. Project development
6. Monitoring & Evaluation

The Strategic Framework

Expert Assistance
Programme Delivery
Management Development
Programme Evaluation & Review
Article 10.4: Single Window in Chile

- Chile started a programme of Single Window ‘SICEX’ in 2010
- WCO provided support in select topics (2010-2012)

- Provided support on the use of International Standards & Data Harmonization to a team Chile Customs and other government Agencies
- Provided guidance on international practice in Single Window
- Mode of Delivery: training sessions, workshop & Conference calls
- Focus on developing national competency

Outcome:
- Chile launched a pilot for export in Single Window in 2013
- Rollout of other processes underway
ARTICLE 10.3: Use of International Standards

WCO Data Model Information Packages

- Assist countries in implementing international data standard.
- Ensuring conformant implementation
- Helping trade and industry conform to standards
- Example of countries where assistance was provided:
  - Argentina, Costa Rica, Israel

Standardized Data elements/ Structures/ Business Processes

Standardized Templates for exchange electronic information

Published National/Regional Implementation
Article 10.3: International Standards - OMAN

☑ Oman Customs launched a programme to implement a Single Window
☑ Developed a national process to adopt the WCO Data Model

- Used WCO Data Model Customization Package
- Team from Oman regularly participated in Data Model Project Team
- Regular consultation with WCO Experts & Secretariat

**Outcome:**
☑ Project launched to implement Single Window, January 2014
☑ Around 110 existing forms were analyzed.
☑ Data Elements reduced from 3793 to around 200
☑ Deployment of system underway
Pre-arrival Processing & Risk Assessment

Supports Article 7.1 & Article 7.4

WCO CARGO TARGETTING SYSTEM
Pre-arrival Processing & Risk Assessment

✅ Implementation of Cargo Targeting System (CTS) in Jamaica, Bahamas & Sri Lanka (Article 7.1 & Article 7.4)

- System developed by the WCO for pre-arrival processing of Cargo Report & Risk Assessment
- WCO provided know-how: WCO Risk Management methodology & catalogue of Risk Indicators
- Consultation national Customs administration
- Assistance in pilot & operational phases
  - Software, Hardware, Data Assistance, Training & Mentoring, Deployment
  - Support in integrating current business processes with CTS

Outcome:

✅ System launched in Jamaica, Bahamas in Sri Lanka
✅ Further deployments are currently in advanced planning stages.
Article 12.2 Exchange of Information

✓ South Africa & Swaziland agreed to exchange Customs information under the SACU Framework
✓ Purpose is to enhance Customs co-operation & speed-up border processes

- WCO provided know-how and assistance in preparation and formulation of the programme
- WCO Globally Networked Customs ‘Utility Block Framework’ deployed
- Assistance in the development of data to be exchanged, interface & integration requirements

Outcome:
✓ System of exchange established between Swaziland & South Africa
✓ Daily exchange underway; pilot presently under evaluation.
Article 12.2 Exchange of Information

- WCO Feasibility Report on Globally Networked Customs (GNC)
  - GNC Utility Blocks
- Customs Enforcement Network (CEN)
  - Suite of Applications: nCEN & CENCOMM
  - Applications for the collation and dissemination of data/information and intelligence

Outcomes

- 11 Regional Intelligence Liaison Offices (RILOs) set-up.
- Data Exchange initiatives as GNC Proof of concept projects
  - Utility Blocks being developed for
  - Mutual Recognition of Authorized Economic Operators
  - Control Mutual Recognition
  - EU-China Smart & Secure Trade Lanes Project
  - South Eastern Europe Data Exchange Project
  - MERCOSUR INDIRA project
Article 7.5 Post Clearance Audit

✓ Implementation of Post Clearance Audit (PCA) to secure fair and efficient revenue collection while facilitating international trade

☐ WCO provided know-how and assistance in preparation and formulation of the programme

☐ Target countries: Members of the World Customs Organization (WCO) and the Oceania Customs Organisation (OCO)

Outcome:

✓ The PCA Implementation Guidelines have been developed and adopted in May 2013;

✓ PCA experts have been trained, Training modules for PCA developed;

✓ Five countries OCO region have restructured their PCA Units based on international standards (WCO PCA Guide):
  ✓ Fiji, PNG, Samoa, Tonga and Vanuatu

✓ Implemented PCA in these 5 countries and achieved excellent results.
TFA Implementation Process – Role of ICT

- I.C.T. is a must for 15 out of 45 TFA Measures
- These measures are critical for Border procedures

For Example
- Publication (Articles 1.1 and Articles 1.2)
- Pre-arrival processing (Article 7.1)
- Risk assessment (Article 7.4)
- Post Clearance Audit (Article 7.5)
- Electronic payment (Art. 7.2)
- Use of International Standards (Art. 10.2)
- Single window (Art. 10.4)

- WCO has tailor-made capabilities and instruments
- Technical expertise, Tools/Instruments & Capability
- Track-record in a delivery
WTO Agreement: Aligning ICT Strategy

Programmes for implementing the WTO TFA

- Risk Management
- Post Clearance Audit
- Single Window
- Dematerialization
- Authorized Operators
- Exchange of Information
- Other Programmes

Project Management

CB & Human Resource

Information Technology

WCO underscores the importance of making ICT strategic investments
The WCO is ready to support the implementation of the TFA!

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