Customs-Railway Cooperation

Turkish Experience
Advance Information
Previously: ENS and NoA were lodged from the PC rooms located in the customs offices.
As of end of 2017, e-signature is used to lodge ENS and NoA. When the CIM information is recorded in the IT system of Turkish Railways (TCDD) the ENS is simultaneously created and sent to Turkish Customs’ IT system.
Simplifications
Common Transit Convention (CTC)

Article 55(f): Types of transit simplifications

- the use of the paper-based common transit procedure specific for the goods carried by rail

Article 57(4): Conditions required for applying Authorisation for simplification for the goods carried by rail

National Legislation
Authorization of TCDD

TCDD is authorized on 26.04.2016
CIM can be used for both National (According to Turkish Customs Code) and International (According to CTC) Transports by rail under the transit procedure.

When CIM is used for simplified transit, CIM replaces the transit declaration.
Guarantee Usage in Railway

- No Guarantee needed for authorizations given before 1 May 2016 (the date Union Customs Code (UCC) entered into force)
- After May 2016 Guarantee needed for all new authorizations

Guarantee needed for all transit declarations. The holder of transit procedure has 2 options for the guarantee (CTC Article 10(2) (a),(b):
- Comprehensive Guarantee
- Individual Guarantee
Key Points for Simplification

- Pictogram on wagons and CIM document
- Checking the related box on CIM for simplification
- TCDD gives access to Customs for CIM information and related accounting records
- Transit Notice
Harmonization of Data

What Customs Needs ➔ What TCDD can provide
First Phase/ Import Process

Bulgaria

Kapitan Andreevo

TCDD receives the train from Bulgarian side and records the CIM Data

Turkey

Kapıkule

When train arrives at Kapıkule Station, TCDD sends Notification of Arrival to Customs IT System, which relates to the entry summary declarations

Border crossing transactions, Control of the seals, Passport Control etc.

Halkalı (İstanbul)

Customs physically confirms the arrival of the train at Halkalı Station with paper based CIMs. After this, TCDD enters the CIM data to the Customs’ IT system to be further used as a basis for customs approved treatment or use.

Without lodging a transit declaration by TCDD, train moves to the Halkalı Station with paper based CIMs matching the data on summary declarations
Phase 2 /Import Process

Customs Procedure carried out in the Customs Office of Departure

- The CIM document replaces the Transit Declaration
- TCDD lodges Entry Summary Declaration created simultaneously with CIM Data.
- Notification of arrival also sent by TCDD upon arrival of the train.
- Furthermore, a Transit Notice is sent by TCDD to Customs with a reference to the entry summary declarations, which also contains the wagon no, CIM no, departure date and office of destination.
- Next step is the releasing of the train by customs for the next station (office of destination).
- All above data are submitted using e-signature.
Customs Procedure carried out in the Customs Office of Destinations

- When train arrives at the office of destination, there is no longer need of data submission by TCDD thanks to the Transit Notice already given.
- Customs Office of Destination confirms the arrival of the train and approves the Transit Notice for further customs procedures.
Phase 2 /Export Process

Customs Procedure carried out in the Customs Office of Departure

- The CIM document replaces the Transit Declaration
- TCDD sends Transit notice, including a reference to the Export Declaration number to customs in an electronic environment and a registration number is taken automatically representing this Transit Notice.
- Train is released by customs for the next station.
Phase 2 /Export Process

Customs Procedure carried out in Customs Office of Destination

- Customs Office of Destination confirms the arrival of the train and approves the Transit Notice for Exit Operations
- Exit notification with reference to export declarations sent by TCDD to customs by using e-signature
- The train leaves the territory of Turkey and export declaration is closed automatically upon approval of the exit notification by customs
Turkish Ministry of Customs and Trade has access by web service to CIM information and related accounting records created by TCDD in their electronic environment since about 10 months.

We made the necessary arrangements for the Local Customs Offices to have access to these information through our website.
Security Measures
X-RAY

2013 – KAPIKOY (IRANIAN BORDER)

2017- KAPIKULE (BULGARIAN BORDER)

2019- CANBAZ (GEORGIAN BORDER)
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