Accession of the Republic of Macedonia to the Convention on a common transit procedure

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Customs Blueprint

TRANSIT AND MOVEMENT OF GOODS (Area 14)

The main goal is to develop a transit system which supports effective customs control, facilitates legitimate trade and the movement of goods, uses modern technology and thus meets the requirements of both customs administrations and economic operators.
Convention on a common transit procedure

- Common transit procedure whereby the competent authorities of the Contracting Parties approved the movement from one place to another within the Contracting Parties with the passage of at least one border.
- Common transit procedure is executed by electronic transit declarations are processed in NCTS. Paper transit declarations are used only as an exception.
- Legal basis for the implementation of the common transit procedure is Convention on a common transit procedure of 15 June 1987.
Conditions

- National legislation harmonized with the Convention on a common transit procedure
- Prepared and tested NCTS application
- Providing connection to CCN/CSI
- Trained customs officials and economic operators to use the system
- Accession to the Convention on common transit procedure and Convention on simplification of formalities in trade in goods
Benefits

- Economic operators
- Customs administration
- the Republic of Macedonia
Economic operators

- Easier and faster movement of goods through the implementation of the transit procedure with a single transit document from any departure point to any place of destination within the contracting parties to the Convention
- Single transit guarantee which use within the contracting parties to the Convention
- Simplification of customs formalities
- Reducing the cost of the procedure by allowing the use of electronic transit declarations
Customs administration

- Increasing efficiency in the implementation of transit procedures through the technique of electronic data processing
- Improvement of systems of prevention and detection of fraud
- Increasing security in the implementation of transit operations
The Republic of Macedonia

- Common transit procedure will contribute significantly to accelerating and simplifying the transit operations.

- The Republic of Macedonia will become part of the EU customs system, before becoming its full member.

- For the Republic of Macedonia as a candidate for European Union membership, access to the common transit system plays a key role in the pre-accession strategies.
Our experience

- Observer status since 2007
- NCTS is operational since March 2014
- Traders and customs officers are trained to use the system
- Republic of Macedonia is invited to Join CTC starting 1th of July 2015
- The procedure for ratification of the conventions in Parliament is ongoing
Our expectations

- Easier and cheaper Trade and Transport
- More efficient and faster customs procedure
- Corridor 10 will gain in importance in the international arena
- Improve the situation in all indicators through which the World Bank measure progress in "Trading Across Borders" within the Doing Business, as well as other relevant reports
THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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