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PROGRESS REPORT ON THE ECP ACTION PLAN

(Item III. (a) on the Agenda)

I. Background

1. The Economic Competitiveness Package (ECP) Action Plan was endorsed at the Policy Commission's 68th Session in December 2012, with the objective of implementing and developing the Package. The ECP Action Plan requires the Secretariat to present a progress report to the Permanent Technical Committee (PTC) on a regular basis. The latest progress report for the PTC was presented at its 203rd/204th Sessions in March 2014 (Doc. PC0358). In addition to reports for the PTC, progress was reported to the Policy Commission at its 69th Session in June 2013, 70th Session in December 2013 and 71st Session in June 2014 (Doc. SP0456).

II. Progress in implementing the ECP Action Plan

2. The ECP Action Plan sets out 21 Actions, indicating deadlines where appropriate, and the bodies responsible for the specific Actions. The Secretariat has produced a table, set out at Annex I hereto, to show the progress made from January 2013 to 20 September 2014 in respect of each Action. In particular, progress has been made in the following areas.

Awareness-raising and Members' needs assessment

- Attention has been drawn to the ECP and relevant tools and instruments at over 80 meetings.
- Regional workshops on the ECP have been held in all six WCO regions.
- Useful materials, including the ECP Toolkit, WTO Trade Facilitation Toolkit and Revised Kyoto Convention (RKC) Toolkit, have been developed.

Promotion of existing instruments and tools

- Regional priorities and activities required for economic competitiveness at regional level were reported to the Policy Commission in June 2014.
- Over 40 national or regional capacity building workshops on the ECP or relevant tools have been delivered.
- Thirteen experts have been accredited to conduct capacity building activities.
- Four regional donor coordination meetings have been convened.
- Twenty regional/national seminars on the RKC have been held.

Collection and dissemination of innovative and best practices

- Innovative practices on informal trade, Coordinated Border Management (CBM), small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), transit and other areas (e.g. Single Window and Authorized Economic Operator (AEO) programmes) have been collected.
- A Research Conference on Informality, International Trade and Customs was held in June 2013.

Development and elaboration of the ECP

- The development of new tools and instruments, including the CBM Compendium, Transit Handbook, Model Business Lens Checklist for SMEs and Customs-Business Partnership Guidelines, is being discussed in the relevant WCO working bodies.

III. Action required

3. The PTC is invited to take note of the progress made with the implementation of the ECP Action Plan.

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PROGRESS IN IMPLEMENTING THE ECP ACTION PLAN (as of 20 September 2014)

1. AWARENESS-RAISING AND MEMBERS' NEEDS ASSESSMENT

	Action	Responsible body	Timeframe/ Deadline	Progress
1	Use of meetings held in the regions to raise awareness and collect Members' needs	WCO Secretariat	Continuous activity	<p>Attention was drawn to the ECP Action Plan at the following meetings :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - WTO Trade Facilitation National Self-Assessment (Mauritius, 28-31 January 2013) - APEC Sub-Committee on Customs Procedures (Indonesia, 29-31 January 2013) - Codex Committee CCFICS (Thailand, 18-22 February 2013) - Workshop on Informal Trade Practices for West and Central Africa (Togo, 19-20 February 2013) - OECD Advisory Meeting (France, 5-6 March 2013) - IATA World Cargo Symposium (Qatar, 10-13 March 2013) - Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries (CPLP) Working Group on the RKC (Portugal, 11-15 March 2013) - Joint BSEC-OSCE Workshop on Best Practices at Border Crossings in the BSEC (Turkey, 3 April 2013) - UN-ESCWA Training Workshop on Trade Costs (Dubai, United Arab Emirates (UAE), 8-9 April 2013) - FAL Committee (United Kingdom, 8-12 April 2013) - ICAO Aviation Security Panel, 24th Meeting (Canada, 8-12 April 2013) - UN-ESCWA Expert Group Meeting on Transport and Trade Facilitation in the ESCWA Region (Dubai, UAE, 10-11 April 2013) - UN/CEFACT Forum (Switzerland, 15-19 April 2013) - Conference on Trade Facilitation and the Single Window (Russian Federation, 23-24 April 2013) - High-Level Working Group of the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries (CPLP) (Brazil, 23-26 April 2013) - WCO IT Conference and Exhibition (UAE, 14-16 May 2013) - ASEM Working Group on Customs Matters (Czech Republic, 14-17 May 2013) - WTO Special Session on Matching Needs with Resources (Switzerland, 21 May 2013)

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - UNECE Working Party (WP 30) (Switzerland, 12 June 2013) - IRU Euro-Asian Road Transport Conference (Jordan, 12-13 June 2013) - APEC Sub-Committee on Customs Procedures (Indonesia, 18-22 June 2013) - Global Review of Aid for Trade, Connecting to Value Chains (Switzerland, 8-10 July 2013) - WTO Informal Group on Developing Countries Workshop on Trade Facilitation (Switzerland, 11 July 2013) - West African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU) Regional Workshop on the RKC (Côte d'Ivoire, 15-19 July 2013) - Asia/Pacific Trade Facilitation Forum (China, 11-12 September 2013) - International Single Window Conference (Madagascar, 16-18 September 2013) - International Conference on Road Transport and Transit in Central Asia (Tajikistan, 17-18 September 2013) - PICARD Conference (Russian Federation, 18-20 September 2013) - WTO Trade Facilitation - Public Forum (Switzerland, 3 October 2013) - UPU Workshop on Making the Digital Economy Work for Small Businesses : Customs and Delivery as Trade Enablers (Switzerland, 3 October 2013) - Meeting on the OSCE Handbook of Best Practices at Border Crossings (Albania, 3 October 2013) - Research Workshop on Quantitative and Qualitative Research Approaches Applied to Expertise and Development (Algeria, 6-9 October 2013) - Council Meeting of the Directors General of CPLP Customs (Timor-Leste, 7-11 October 2013) - Regional Contact Point Meeting (Malaysia, 22-24 October 2013) - APEC Conference on Facilitating Trade in a Secure Trading Environment (Malaysia, 28 October-1 November 2013) - Regional Training Centres Meeting (Fiji, 5-6 November 2013) - UNECE and the EEC Seminar on Single Window Implementation (Russia, 24-25 November 2013) - UNCTAD East Africa-South Asia Interregional Forum on Trade Facilitation (Switzerland, 25-29 November 2013) - Inception Workshop on Trade and Transport Facilitation Performance Monitoring (Thailand, 26-27 November 2013)

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Arab League Meeting (Egypt, 3-5 December 2013) - Inter-Agency Liaison Group on Invasive Alien Species (Kenya, 13-15 January 2014) - WTO Trade Facilitation Donor Coordination Meeting (Switzerland, 5 February 2014) - UNCITRAL Working Group on Micro, Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises (MSMEs) (United States, 10-14 February 2014) - APEC Sub-Committee on Customs Procedures (Indonesia, 19-21 February 2014) - Inter-Agency Consultative Group Meeting on the Preparatory Process for the UN Conference on LLDCs (20 February 2014) - Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (COMCEC) (Turkey, 27 February 2014) - FIATA Headquarters Session (Switzerland, 19-23 March 2014) - UPU E-Commerce Forum (Switzerland, 26-27 March 2014) - IPCC Commission on Phytosanitary Measures (Italy, 31 March-4 April 2014) - UPU, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise Business Development Group (Switzerland, 4 April 2014) - Working Visit to Support Development of RKC Storyboards for E-Learning Package (Germany, 7-8 April 2014) - CAREC Trade Facilitation : Customs Cooperation Committee Technical Assistance Inception Workshop (Azerbaijan, 7-11 April 2014) - UN/CEFACT Forum and UN/CEFACT Plenary Meeting (Switzerland, 7-11 April 2014) - ICC Forum on Facilitating Trade in the Digital Economy (Switzerland, 8-9 April 2014) - WTO Committee on Trade and Development, Aid for Trade (Switzerland, 9 April 2014) - 2nd ICAO-WCO Joint Conference on Enhancing Air Cargo Security and Facilitation (Bahrain, 16-17 April 2014) - WTO Trade Facilitation Needs Assessment (Mozambique, 14-18 April 2014) - TIACA Executive Summit (Turkey, 24-25 April 2014) - 2nd Global AEO Conference (Spain, 28-30 April 2014) - ECAC 48th Meeting of the Facilitation Working Group (Czech Republic,

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				<p>29-30 April 2014)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TICAD V Ministerial Meeting (Cameroon, 3-5 May 2014) - Regional Round Table on Single Window (Uzbekistan, 5-6 May 2014) - WCO IT Conference and Exhibition (Australia, 5-7 May 2014) - Regional Workshop on Leadership in Single Window and WCO Data Model (Australia, 5-9 May 2014) - Regional Stakeholder Consultative Workshop on the COMESA Customs Union (Malawi, 5-9 May 2014) - APEC Workshop on Global Data Standards (China, 9 May 2014) - WTO regional Trade Facilitation Needs Assessment Workshop for 6 Pacific Islands countries (Fiji, 12-15 May 2014) - Caribbean Customs Law Enforcement Council Conference - The Role of Customs In Economic Development (Anguilla, 12-16 May 2014) - WTO Trade Facilitation National Self-Assessment (Seychelles, 19-23 May 2014) - WTO Trade Facilitation National Self-Assessment (Burkina Faso, 19-23 May 2014) - Astana Economic Forum (Kazakhstan, 21-23 May 2014) - South Asia Sub-regional Economic Cooperation (SASEC) Customs Subgroup (Bhutan, 22-23 May 2014) - Silk Road Economic Belt Forum on Customs Clearance Facilitation (China, 23-24 May 2014) - High-Level International Workshop on "WTO Agreement on Trade Facilitation: Implications for LLDCs" (Mongolia, 2-3 June 2014) - IRU Academy Seminar(UAE, 4-5 June 2014ai) - WTO Trade Facilitation Supporting Implementation of the Trade Facilitation Agreement in the Post-Bali Context (Switzerland, 10 June 2014) - Annual Meeting of the OSCE Border Security and Management National Focal Points Network Meeting (Austria, 10-12 June 2014) - International Conference on Measuring the performance of tax and customs administrations in emerging and developing countries (France, 12 June 2014) - EU Eastern Partnership Integrated Border Management Panel (Belarus, 11 June 2014) - ICC Customs and Trade Facilitation Commission meeting (France, 12-13 June 2014)

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - WTO Trade Facilitation Needs Assessment update for CEMAC countries (Cameroon, 16-21 June 2014) - WCO Information Session "Supporting Implementation of the WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement" (Switzerland, 14 June 2014) - UNCTAD Multi-year Expert Meeting on Transport, Trade Logistics and Trade Facilitation and Ad Hoc Expert Meeting (Switzerland, 1- 5 July 2014) - Regional Forum on Trade Facilitation for East African Community (Kenya, 16-18 July 2014) - ICAO AVSEC Panel Working Group on Air Cargo Security(WGACS)& Joint ICAO-WCO WG on Advance Cargo Information (JWGACI) (Singapore, 29-31 July 2014) - APEC Sub-Committee on Customs Procedures (China, 11-13 August 2014) - National High-Level Policy Dialogue meeting (Mozambique, 8-9 September 2014) - Rwanda, National High-Level Policy Dialogue meeting (Rwanda, 11-12 September 2014)
2	Organization of Regional Workshops/Seminars in all WCO regions to promote the ECP	WCO Secretariat	June 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - High-Level Workshop on the RKC and ECP in the ESA Region (Malawi, 22 May 2013) - Regional Workshop on the ECP in the A/P Region (Hong Kong, China, 3-5 June 2013) - Regional Workshop on the ECP in the Americas/Caribbean Region (Brazil, 12-13 June 2013) - Regional Workshop on the ECP in the Europe Region (Belgium, 12 November 2013) - Regional Workshop on the ECP in the MENA Region (UAE, 19-20 November 2013) - Regional Workshop on the ECP in the WCA Region (Cameroon, 12 March 2014)
3	Publication of useful materials for awareness-raising, such as a pamphlet on the ECP	WCO Secretariat	Continuous activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ECP Toolkit developed - WTO Trade Facilitation Toolkit developed - RKC Toolkit developed - ECP logo mark developed - WCO Webpage improved - Performance Indicators for the TFA developed

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Flyers on the implementation of the TFA developed - Standard presentation on the implementation of the ATF developed - WCO Webpage on the implementation of the TFA launched - Implementation Guidance on the TFA developed - Information sheets on the implementation of TFA and the Mercator Programme developed
4	Continue needs assessment to identify gaps and needs through coordination at regional level and continuation of capacity building and technical assistance, including by making use of diagnostic mission reports as allowed by the countries concerned	WCO Secretariat, Regional Vice-Chairs, Regional Offices for Capacity Building	Continuous activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Letter sent to all Vice-Chairs to obtain information on the needs and priorities of their regions - Regional priorities were reported to the Policy Commission in June 2014

2. PROMOTION OF EXISTING INSTRUMENTS AND TOOLS

	Action	Responsible body	Timeframe/ Deadline	Progress
5	Adoption of Regional Strategic Plans to identify regional priorities and necessary activities	Regional Vice-Chairs, Regional Offices for Capacity Building	June 2014	- Regional priorities were reported to the Policy Commission in June 2014
6	Capacity building to support the implementation of the WCO's existing instruments and tools	WCO Secretariat	Continuous activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - National Seminar on Time Release Study (TRS) (Côte d'Ivoire, 21-25 January 2013) - Risk Management Workshop (Yemen, 3-7 February 2013) - RKC Mission - Gap Analysis in the Process of Accession to the RKC (Togo, 4-8 February 2013) - National Workshop on Risk Assessment (Thailand, 26-28 February 2013) - APEC Regional Workshop on AEO (Thailand, 27-28 February 2013) - Regional Workshop on Time Release Study (Japan, 4-8 March 2013) - National Workshop on Risk Assessment (Malaysia, 12-14 March 2013) - Risk Management Workshop (Qatar, 31 March-2 April 2013) - Risk Management Workshop (Brazil, March 2013) - Regional Seminar on AEO (Hungary, 3-5 April 2013) - Risk Management Workshop (Kyrgyzstan, 8-12 April 2013) - Risk Management Workshop (Sierra Leone, 13-16 May 2013) - SW/CBM Workshop (Belarus, 22-24 May 2013) - Sub-Regional Workshop on the SAFE FoS and AEO (Singapore, 27-31 May 2013) - Risk Management Workshop (Jordan, 28-30 May 2013) - SAFE/AEO Regional Workshop (Morocco, 10-15 June 2013) - AEO Regional Accreditation Workshop (Argentina, 1-5 July 2013) - Risk Management Workshop (Ukraine, 16-18 July 2013) - WCO Regional Workshop on NII for ESA (Mozambique, 22-26 July 2013) - Training Workshop on Time Release Study (Uzbekistan, 20-21 August 2013) - Joint WCO/UPU Customs Workshop (South Africa, 26-29 August 2013) - WCO Expert Accreditation Workshop in the Area of Single Window

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				<p>Implementation (Korea, 23-27 September 2013)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Training Workshop on Time Release Study (Angola, 14-18 October 2013) - Seminar on the Role of Customs in Natural Disaster Relief (Kazakhstan, 28-29 October 2013) - Training Workshop on Time Release Study (Union of Myanmar, 3-6 November 2013) - Regional Workshop on Risk Assessment and Selectivity Advisors' Accreditation (Qatar, 25-28 November 2013) - National Workshop on AEO (Kazakhstan, 25-29 November 2013) - National Workshop on Single Window (Costa Rica, 25-29 November 2013) - Regional Workshop on AEO (Ethiopia , 8-10 December 2013) - Training Workshop on Time Release Study (Brunei Darussalam, 9-10 December 2013) - Risk Management/Assessment Workshop (Turkey, 28-30 December 2013) - Risk Management Workshop (Greece, 10-14 February 2014) - National Training Workshop on TRS, (Congo, Rep. of 10-14 February 2014) - Supporting Time Release Study Pilot (Angola, 17-20 February 2014) - EAC Time Release Study Workshop (Tanzania, 24-28 February 2014) - National SAFE Framework and AEO Workshop (Doha, 3-6 March 2014) - Risk Management/Assessment Workshop (Bahrain, 10-13 March 2014) - Regional Workshop on CBM, the Single Window and WCO Data Model (Malawi, 26-28 March 2014) - CAREC Trade Facilitation: Customs Cooperation Committee Technical Assistance Inception Workshop, (Azerbaijan, 7-8 April 2014) - Workshop on Leadership in Single Window & WCO Data Model (Australia, 5-7 May 2014) - National Workshop on SAFE and AEO (Bahrain 26 - 28 May 2014) - Risk management and assessment workshop (Tunisia, 9 -12 June 2014) - Regional Workshop on Risk-Based Passenger Selectivity (Korea, 9-13 June 2014) - National Trade Facilitation Roadmap Strategy (Greece, 30 June - 10 July 2014) - National Seminar on Time Release Study (TRS) (Mongolia, 29 July – 1 August 2014) - Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) Customs Trade Facilitation (CTF) Forum

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				(India, 15-17 September 2014) - National Workshop for the TRS data analysis and draft TRS report (Côte d'Ivoire, 15-19 September 2014)
7	Accreditation of more experts to enhance capacity building activities	WCO Secretariat	Continuous activity	- 9 experts on Risk Management and 6 experts on AEO were accredited
8	Holding regional donor coordination meetings	WCO Secretariat	Continuous activity	- Donor Coordination Meeting for the Americas/Caribbean Region (United States, 28 January-2 February 2013) - Integrated Trade Facilitation at the Border and Behind the Border - Reforms and Implementation - supported by the Asian Development Bank (Georgia, 9-12 April 2013) - Regional Planning and Donor Meeting (United States, 29 January-1 February 2014) - Regional Workshop on Resource Mobilization for A/P Region (Malaysia, 24-28 February 2014)
9	The development/ modification of RKC Guidelines	Management Committee on RKC	Continuous activity	- ICT Guidelines (General Annex, Chapter 7 to the RKC) updated at the RKC/MC in November 2013
10	Organization of regional seminars and workshops to encourage more Members to accede to and implement the RKC	WCO Secretariat, accredited experts, WCO Members and other relevant entities	Continuous activity	- National Seminar on the RKC (Togo, 4-8 February 2013) - CAREC Workshop on the RKC (Kazakhstan, 27-28 February 2013) - Sub-Regional Workshop on the RKC for Southeast Asian Members (Malaysia, 8-12 April 2013) - National Seminar on the RKC (Côte d'Ivoire, 13-17 May 2013) - High-Level Workshop on the RKC and ECP in the ESA Region (Malawi, 22 May 2013) - RKC Regional Seminar organized with the African Union Commission (Kenya, 19-22 June 2013) - Sub-Regional Seminar on the RKC for UEMOA (West African Economic and Monetary Union) countries (Côte d'Ivoire, 15-19 July 2013) - National Workshop on the RKC (Lao PDR, 6-8 August 2013) - National Workshop on the RKC (Maldives, 31 August-4 September 2013) - National Seminar on the RKC (Mali, 23-27 September 2013) - National Seminar on the RKC (Tunisia, 2-6 December 2013)

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - National Workshop on the RKC (Brunei Darussalam, 13-16 January 2014) - Awareness Raising Workshop on the Revised Kyoto Convention (RKC) for Community of Portuguese Language Countries (CPLP), (Cape Verde, 10-14 March 2014) - National Workshop on the RKC (Qatar, 23 to 27 March 2014) - National Workshop on the RKC (Kyrgyzstan, 31 March-4 April 2014) - National Workshop on Revised Kyoto Convention (Myanmar, 28-30 May 2014) - Regional workshop on Revised Kyoto Convention RKC for WCO EUR Region, (Hungary, 2 – 6 June 2014) - National Workshop on RKC (Bhutan, 9-12 June 2014) - Seminar on the RKC for Dominican Republic and Haiti Customs, (Dominican Republic, 3-5 September 2014)
11	Consultation with Members to assess the priority of encouraging implementation of instruments and tools other than the RKC (e.g. SAFE and CBM)	WCO Secretariat, WCO Members	Continuous activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - This was discussed at the six Regional Workshops (see 2 above) and regional meetings - Regional priorities were reported to the Policy Commission in June 2014
12	Preparation and launch of an e-learning module on the RKC	WCO Secretariat	June 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The specialist (Vivekanand Ramburun, WCO RKC accredited expert) has developed all the teaching materials and submitted them to the Secretariat for review - This review is currently being carried out within the Secretariat and by an external reviewer (Former Deputy Director in charge of the WCO Facilitation and Procedures Sub-Directorate) - Kick-off meeting with the IT company selected for the development of the e-learning module (29 January 2014) - Presentation of the preliminary work on the modules by the IT Company (June 2014), - Reviewing of the preliminary work by the WCO Secretariat and the IT Company, (ongoing work started on June 2014)

3. COLLECTION AND DISSEMINATION OF INNOVATIVE AND BEST PRACTICES

	Action	Responsible body	Timeframe/ Deadline	Progress
13	Collection and dissemination of innovative and best practices on Informal Trade	Interested WCO Members, WCO Secretariat	December 2013	- 8 Members have submitted innovative practices on Informal Trade
14	Collection and dissemination of innovative and best practices on CBM	Interested WCO Members, WCO Secretariat	December 2013	- 18 Members have submitted innovative practices on CBM
15	Holding Research Conference on Informal Trade Practices	WCO Secretariat	June 2013	- A Research Conference on Informality, International Trade and Customs was held on 3-4 June 2013, and the outcomes were presented at the November 2013 PTC - <i>The Journal of Borderland Studies</i> (University of Victoria, Canada) will publish, in late 2014 or 2015, a special issue consisting of several papers presented at the aforementioned WCO Research Conference
16	Collection and dissemination of innovative and best practices on SMEs	Interested WCO Members, WCO Secretariat	December 2013	- 7 Members have submitted innovative practices on SMEs
17	Collection and dissemination of innovative and best practices on Transit	Interested WCO Members, WCO Secretariat	December 2013	- 17 Members have submitted innovative practices on Transit

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18	Collection and dissemination of innovative and best practices on other facilitation areas, such as risk management, Information and Communication Technology (ICT), client service delivery, post clearance audit, Customs-Trade Partnership and supply chain security	Interested WCO Members, WCO Secretariat	December 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 5 Members have submitted innovative practices on the Single Window - 1 Member has submitted an innovative practice on the RKC - 5 Members have submitted innovative practices on Customs-Trade Partnership - 3 Members have submitted innovative practices on AEO - 12 Members have submitted innovative practices on other facilitation areas - 1 Member has submitted an innovative practice on the dissemination of compliance and regulatory information through Websites - 1 Member has submitted an innovative practice on Customs Valuation – transfer pricing policy

4. DEVELOPMENT AND ELABORATION OF THE ECP

	Action	Responsible body	Timeframe/ Deadline	Progress
19	Development of new WCO instruments and tools for ECP, based on the collection of innovative and best practices, as well as gap analysis	Related WCO committees or working groups	December 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Outline and possible content of the revised CBM Compendium discussed at the PTC and the joint session of the PTC and Enforcement Committee (March 2013) - The conceptual framework and a first draft of the revised CBM Compendium were discussed at the PTC in November 2013, together with ideas to involve Members and international organizations in the drafting process - In March 2014, the PTC discussed Chapter 5 of the CBM Compendium and was informed about the development of a CBM e-learning tool - A proposal to develop a Transit Handbook was endorsed at the PTC in November 2013 - A proposal to develop a model Business Lens Checklist for SMEs was endorsed at the PTC in November 2013 - In March 2014, the PTC discussed a draft model Business Lens Checklist for SMEs - Draft Customs-Business Partnership/Consultation Guidance was discussed at the PTC (March 2014). The final draft Guidance will be submitted to the SWG and the PTC in October 2014, for endorsement. - Revised AEO Compendium 2014 uploaded on WCO Website - In November 2013, the PTC decided to develop a Customs Compliance Framework that includes Voluntary Disclosure and Data Quality. The first draft of the Framework was discussed at the Joint Session of the PTC and Enforcement Committee in March 2014. The Joint Session supported the draft and decided to further develop the tool - Update of the Single Window Compendium is underway and will be completed by the end of this year - Joint WCO/UPU Postal Customs Guide adopted by the June 2014 Council - Joint WCO/UPU Guidelines for Developing and MoU between Customs and Posts adopted by the June 2014 Council

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20	Further analysis on the ECP to support "Customs in the 21 st Century" which includes Customs-Trade Partnership and CBM as well as the contribution of Customs to economic competitiveness, including revenue collection and societal protection	WCO Secretariat	December 2013	- A research paper on the contribution of Customs to economic competitiveness has been refined
21	Regular reporting to the Permanent Technical Committee	WCO Secretariat, virtual working group on ECP	PTC sessions (twice a year)	- First report (Doc. PC0313) provided to the PTC (March 2013) - Second report (Doc. PC0328) provided to the PTC (November 2013) - Third report (Doc. PC0358) provided to the PTC (March 2014)