MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
between
the World Customs Organization
and
the Directorate General of Customs and Excise, Ministry of Finance, Indonesia
regarding the establishment of a World Customs Organization
Regional Dog Training Centre
in Indonesia

This Memorandum of Understanding is concluded between the World Customs Organization, hereinafter referred to as “the WCO”, and the Directorate General of Customs and Excise, Ministry of Finance, Indonesia, hereinafter referred to as “the DGCE”. Each entity is individually referred to as “the Party” and collectively referred to as “the Parties”.

ACKNOWLEDGING the enormous challenges facing Customs administrations due to increasing volumes of trade, globalization of trade, and regional integration;

ACKNOWLEDGING that changing trading patterns, the need for more facilitation of trade and the requirement to produce more with limited resources calls for enhanced cooperation among Customs administrations and with the WCO;

RECOGNIZING that the dissemination of information, training and technical assistance are indispensable for the uniform implementation of key Customs-related international conventions, recommendations and other standards;

RECOGNIZING the important role and the significant potential of the DGCE in supporting the WCO in providing relevant and meaningful training and technical assistance to its Members;
Have agreed as follows:

**Article 1**

*Purpose and Principle*

1. The Parties will establish a WCO Regional Dog Training Centre in Indonesia, hereinafter referred to as the Dog Training Centre, which will be hosted by the DGCE, located at DGCE’s Headquarter in Jakarta, Indonesia.

2. The WCO will use the facilities of the Dog Training Centre for the purposes of training of dogs and of personnel related to detector dog programmes.

**Article 2**

*Area for Development Cooperation*

1. In order to achieve the objectives laid down in Article 1, the Directorate General of Customs and Excise will make the abovementioned Dog Training Centre available to the WCO.

2. The Directorate General of Customs and Excise will continue to own and run the Dog Training Centre, and use it for its own national and international programs.

**Article 3**

*Implementation*

1. The Parties will communicate to each other their training plans in order to define the use of the facilities of the WCO Regional Dog Training Centre.

2. The WCO should give the DGCE advance notice of not less than two (2) months before each planned event, along with the necessary information to confirm the event.

3. Within 1 (one) month from the date of signing of this Memorandum of Understanding the Parties will designate liaison officers to coordinate matters arising from its implementation.
Article 4
Technical conditions for the use of the WCO Regional Dog Training Centre

The DGCE will make available training courts, classrooms together with training aids, meeting rooms, accommodation for students, enclosures for the dogs, special transport means and other service facilities of the Dog Training Centre, for use by the WCO.

Article 5
Settlement of Dispute

Any difference or dispute that may arise over the interpretation or implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding, shall be resolved amicably through direct negotiations or consultations between the Parties.

Article 6
Amendment

This Memorandum of Understanding may be reviewed or amended at any time by mutual consultation and consent in writing by the Parties. Such amendments shall enter into force on such date as may be determined by the Parties and shall form an integral part of this Memorandum of Understanding.

Article 7
Entry into Force, Duration, and Termination

1. This Memorandum of Understanding shall enter into force on the date of its signature.

2. This Memorandum of Understanding shall remain in force for a period of 5 (five) years, and could be extended with the consent of the Parties.

3. In the event of an extension, notification should be given to the other Party not less than 6 (six) months before the expiration of validity period.

4. This Memorandum of Understanding may be terminated by either Party at any time, by written notification to the other Party. This Memorandum of Understanding shall cease to have effect immediately after the receipt of such notification by the other Party.
Done in Brussels, Belgium on 24 June 2023, in four original copies, two copies in English and two copies in Bahasa Indonesia, all texts being equally authentic. In case of any divergence of interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

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