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COUNTRY REPORT

State Customs Service of Turkmenistan

Dear Organizers of the Workshop!

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen!

To begin with, let me express gratitude to the Workshop Organizers for the invitation and an opportunity to discuss burning for customs services issues of risk management and post-entry audit.

As experience of other countries shows, risk assessment and management becomes an important direction of customs activity. However, given all methods and criteria of risky goods determination, utilization of broad data base with considerable level of description to record all micro types of customs fraud, analysis of trade flow in light of goods and countries from macroeconomic point of view, detection of early signals warning about customs risks, review of cause-effect relation of tariff and non-tariff regulation with violations of customs legislation – all that makes risk assessment and management to be a new activity, thus, it requires a lot of research work.

Turkmenistan Customs considers introduction of risk management systems and audit as promising step, it will enable to achieve high-quality level of customs administration and efficient customs control, as well as simplification of customs clearance procedures.

Differentiated approach to participants of external economic activity, motivating them to meet requirements of customs legislation (compliance encouragement), simplification and speeding-up of customs procedures will not only facilitate

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development of foreign trade but also will create conditions to improve efficiency of fulfilling fiscal and law-enforcement functions of customs service.

Currently, Turkmenistan State Customs undertakes certain activity in that direction, namely, list of goods which customs clearance requires participation of concerned state agencies, and list of goods which import requires compulsory customs tracking are approved, there developed process flowsheets and methodological recommendations to carry-out customs examination of vehicles and goods. Based on developed criteria, goods moving through the Turkmenistan border are determined which have risk of customs rules violation.

Besides, at the beginning of the current year to enhance quality of customs administration, customs structures were revised, in particular, divisions of customs inspection of goods were established, their main assignments are detection and analysis of possible violations of customs and other legislation during customs clearance and control of goods and vehicles, and participation in customs examination of goods together with border post personnel, and re-audit to reveal unfair customs officials.

In addition, information management systems are being developed, based on them data will be processed for more complicated statistical analysis.

We face challenge to establish integral system of risk management; study of experience of our Chinese colleagues is sure to help in that.

Regular workshops conducted by the Asian Development Bank, provided materials and recommendations undoubtedly have positive impact on reforming customs policy and increasing efficiency of customs operations.