

UPDATES ON CUSTOMS COOPERATION PRIORITY AREAS OCTOBER 2010 TO SEPTEMBER 2011*

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Major achievements	<p>Accession of the Republic of Tajikistan to the international Convention on Simplification and Harmonization of Customs Procedures (Kyoto Convention, 1999). A new format of cargo customs declaration and transit declarations adopted in the Republic of Tajikistan since January 1, 2010 is consistent with the Single Administrative Document (SAD) of the European Union. The new basic customs document is used as a single set of forms of the Cargo Customs Declaration/ Transit Declaration in contrast to earlier existing separate forms of the CCD and forms of the transit declaration, which considerably simplified customs formalities. The Tajik analogue of the SAD accompanies the goods both from the moment they are imported to the customs territory of the Republic of Tajikistan to the destination customs body and from the moment a permit is issued by the departure point customs for export of goods till they</p>	<p>At the moment the automation of the customs system of the Republic of Tajikistan is at the stage of actual implementation. Under the project initiated by the ADB and the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan on customs automation, a pilot project on the Unified Automated Information System was launched in January of this year, and since January 1, 2012 the UAIS will be fully implemented in all customs bodies. Resolution №151-f of the Customs Services under the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan dated August 12, 2011 approved the Temporary Rules for Submission and Acceptance of the Electronic Declaration, as Well as Other Types of Electronic Information Exchange Related to Performing Export, Import and Transit Procedures. As of today the ADB-supported project has rehabilitated 8 and constructed 5 border customs points. This project will enable us</p>	<p>Information and technical support for the risk management system has been put in place in the RISK MANAGEMENT SUBSYSTEM of the Unified Automated Information System of the Customs Service. The major task of the subsystem is to ensure effective customs control based on the principles of selectivity and targeted focus for optimal allocation of resources of the customs bodies of the Republic of Tajikistan to the most important and top priority areas with the purpose to prevent and suppress violations of the customs legislation of the Republic of Tajikistan. The areas for the subsystem application: - customs clearance and control; - post-entry audit.</p>	<p>As for joint customs control and "one-stop" service, it should be noted that the participant countries shall focus on a phased approach to this issue. When implementing joint customs control over the movement of goods and vehicles across the customs border, one should pay special attention to harmonization and simplification of customs procedures and documents.</p>	<p>The Republic of Tajikistan ratified the Agreement on Cross-Border Transport of Persons, Vehicles and Goods under the Central Asian Regional Economic Cooperation (CAREC) signed on December 2, 2010 between the Republic of Tajikistan and the Kyrgyz Republic. The Republic of Tajikistan continues cooperating under the following agreements: on transit Agreement with the Kyrgyz Republic, on cooperation and mutual assistance on customs affairs with the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Azerbaijan Republic and has the intention to sign similar agreements with the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan and the People's Republic of China.</p>

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	actually exit the customs territory of the Republic of Tajikistan.	to significantly accelerate and simplify interagency document turnover and switch to the e-declaration form.			
Issues/Concerns Encountered				The issue preventing the introduction of joint customs control is the problem related to final demarcation of state borders in the region.	
Actions Taken to Address Issues/Concerns					
Future Plans		Implementation of the Single Window into the Unified Automated Information System of customs bodies of Tajikistan.			

*** Please report only major achievements in the priority areas. Please also include your report any action taken on the implementation of the Time Release Study for your country.**

To implement the Time Release Study for goods and vehicles the Customs Service under the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan by its Instruction dated February 1, 2011 introduced amendments and addenda to Instruction №17 of the Customs Services as of February 13, 1997 "On Approval and Introduction of Registers for Entry and Exit of Motor-Vehicles at Border Customs Posts of the Republic of Tajikistan", the registers reflect the time of entry and exit of motor-vehicles.