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Overview of ESCAP Model on Integrated Controls at Border Crossings and ESCAP Secure Cross-border Transport Model



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I. Model on Integrated Controls at Border Crossings

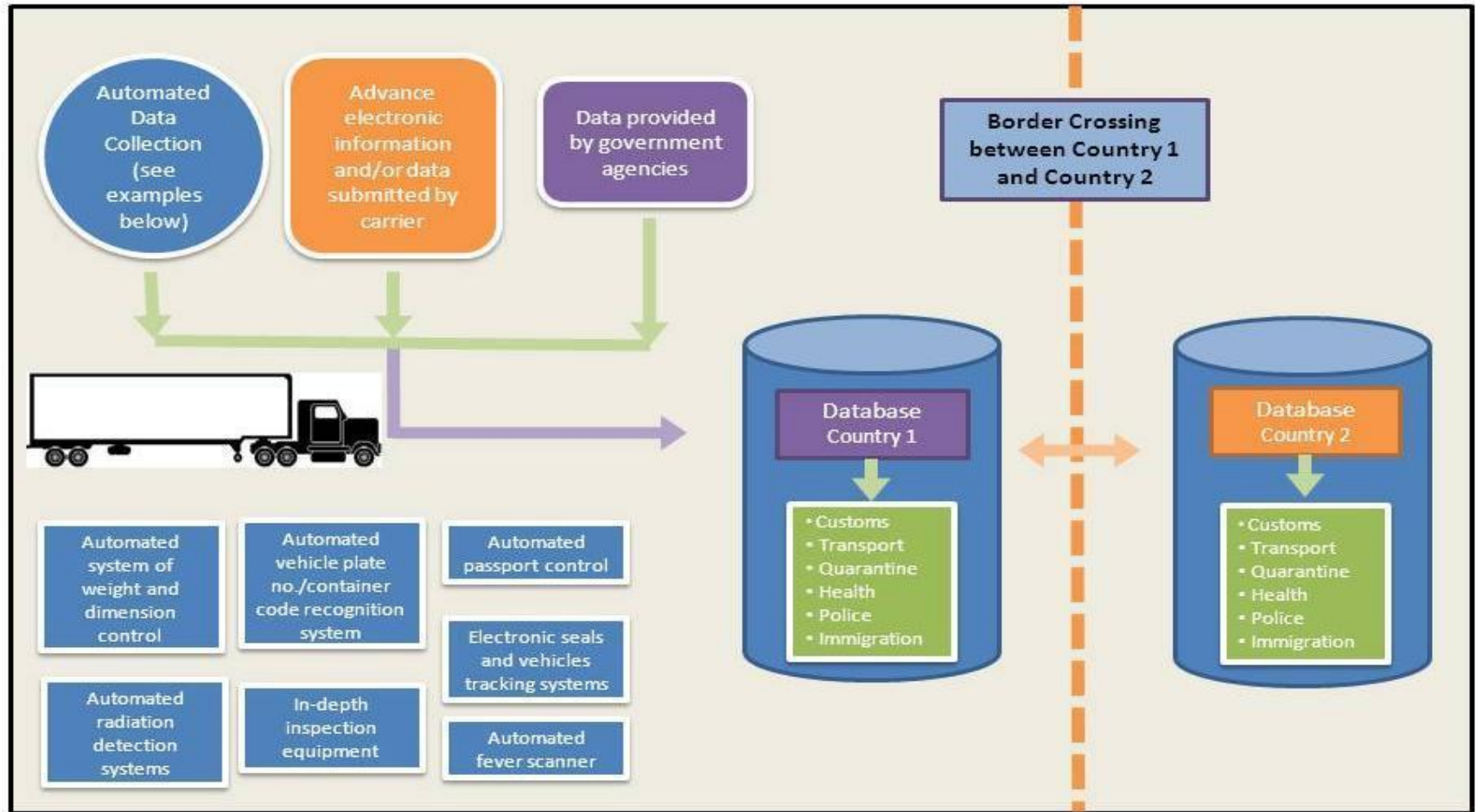
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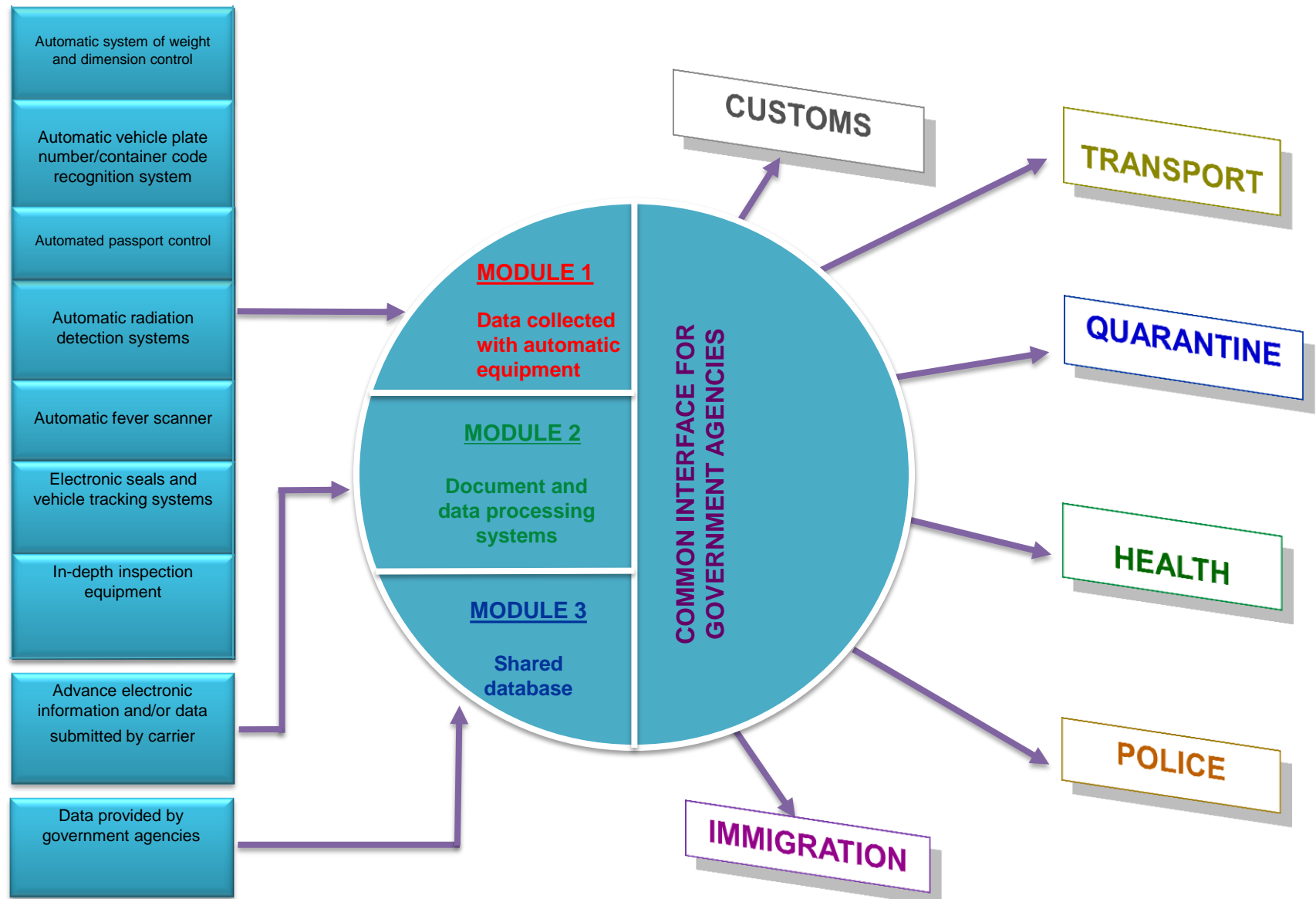
Common regional problems in management of land border crossings:

- Long time of inspection
- Many clearance agencies and separated inspections
- Slow progress in reduction of clearance agencies and promotion of joint controls
- Added inland inspection stations after removal from border crossings in some countries

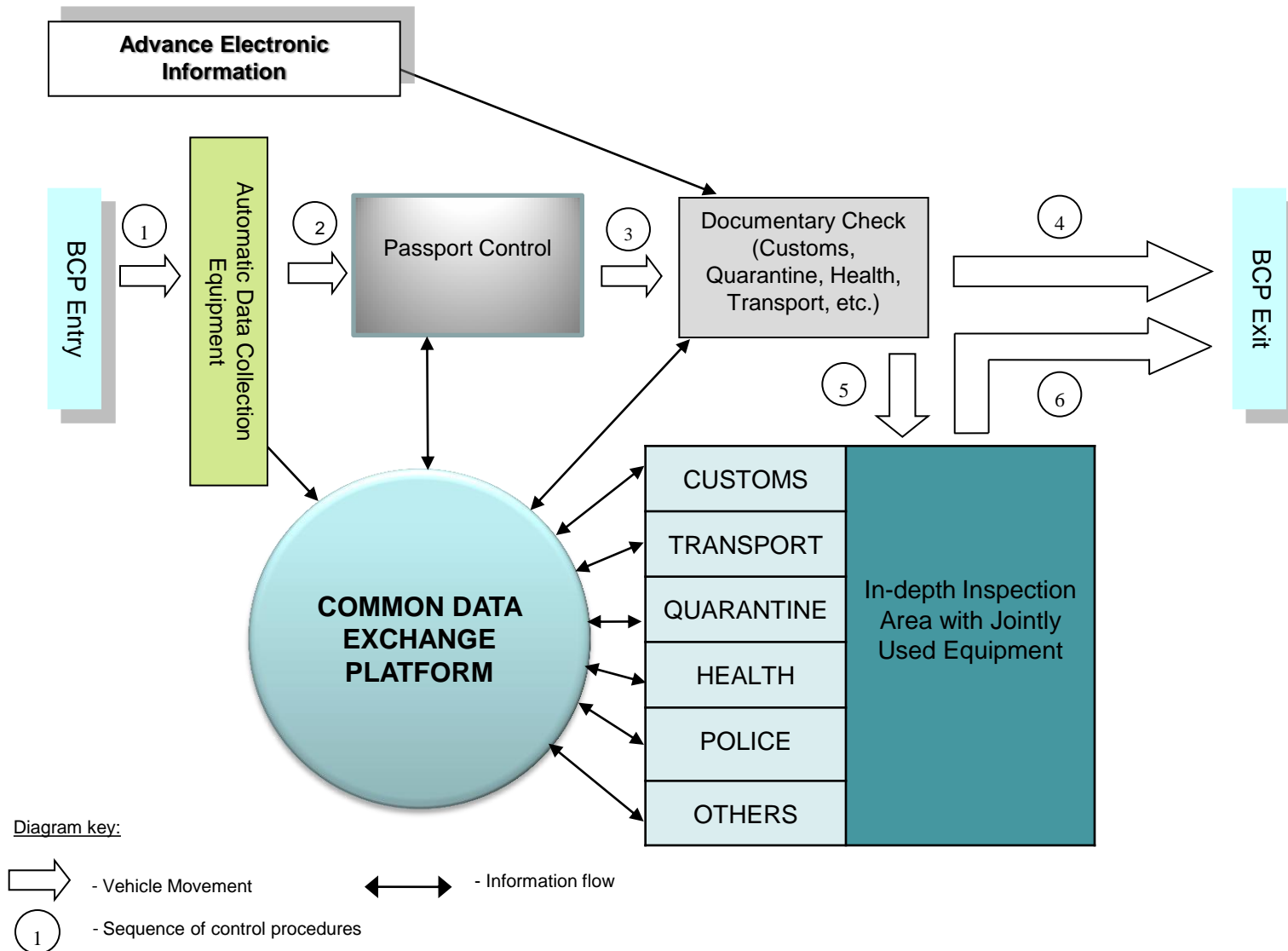
Model on Integrated Controls at Border Crossings



Border Crossing Management Information System (BCMIS) for goods transport



BCMIS-based simplified workflow for the entry of goods



Major potential benefits

For government agencies:

- Highly secured cross-border procedures and formalities
- Increased capacity of border crossings
- Increased time for analysis of data by control authorities to make careful decisions
- Prevented/reduced smuggling and tax evasion
- Easier management reform of border crossing



Major potential benefits

For users:

- Increased cross-border movements of goods and people and better development of international trade
- Reduced time and delays for cross-border procedures and formalities
- Reduced cross-border costs
- More comfortable cross-border formalities
- More transparent rules and formalities



Practical application

- ➔ Full use of the model for busy land border crossings
- ➔ Full use of the model for border crossings under modernization
- ➔ Full use of the model for border crossings with joint control
- ➔ Use of the model for joint control on one side or two sides of a border crossing
- ➔ Partial use of the model for small and less busy border crossings
- ➔ Consultation process:
 - Preliminary discussion led by border crossing coordination agency or Customs to determine primary principles of the model, level of information sharing and work plan etc.
 - Detailed plan for a particular border crossing according to the determined principles
 - Review of the draft detailed plan by all agencies
 - Determination of new working procedures by all agencies and signing of cooperation documents
 - Technical design according to approved detailed plan and working procedures
 - Review and approval of technical design

II. Secure Cross-border Transport Model

Challenges for control authorities

Increase in intra-regional trade requires opening more land borders and increasing efficiency of existing borders. However, control authorities are faced with increasing challenges some of them are mentioned, that make them hesitant to open more borders

- National security
- Trafficking (Drug and Human)
- Smuggling
- Diversion of goods in transit leading to loss in revenue
- Counterfeited goods and currency
- Lack of capacity of officials



Key technical features and functioning of the Model

Tracking Unit

- Contains a SPS module, a CCS module and a radio frequency (RF) module



E-seal

- Contains a normal bolt or cable to lock the door and a mechatronic component to record its status



E-lock

- Combines tracking unit and E-seal, contains SPS module, a CCS module



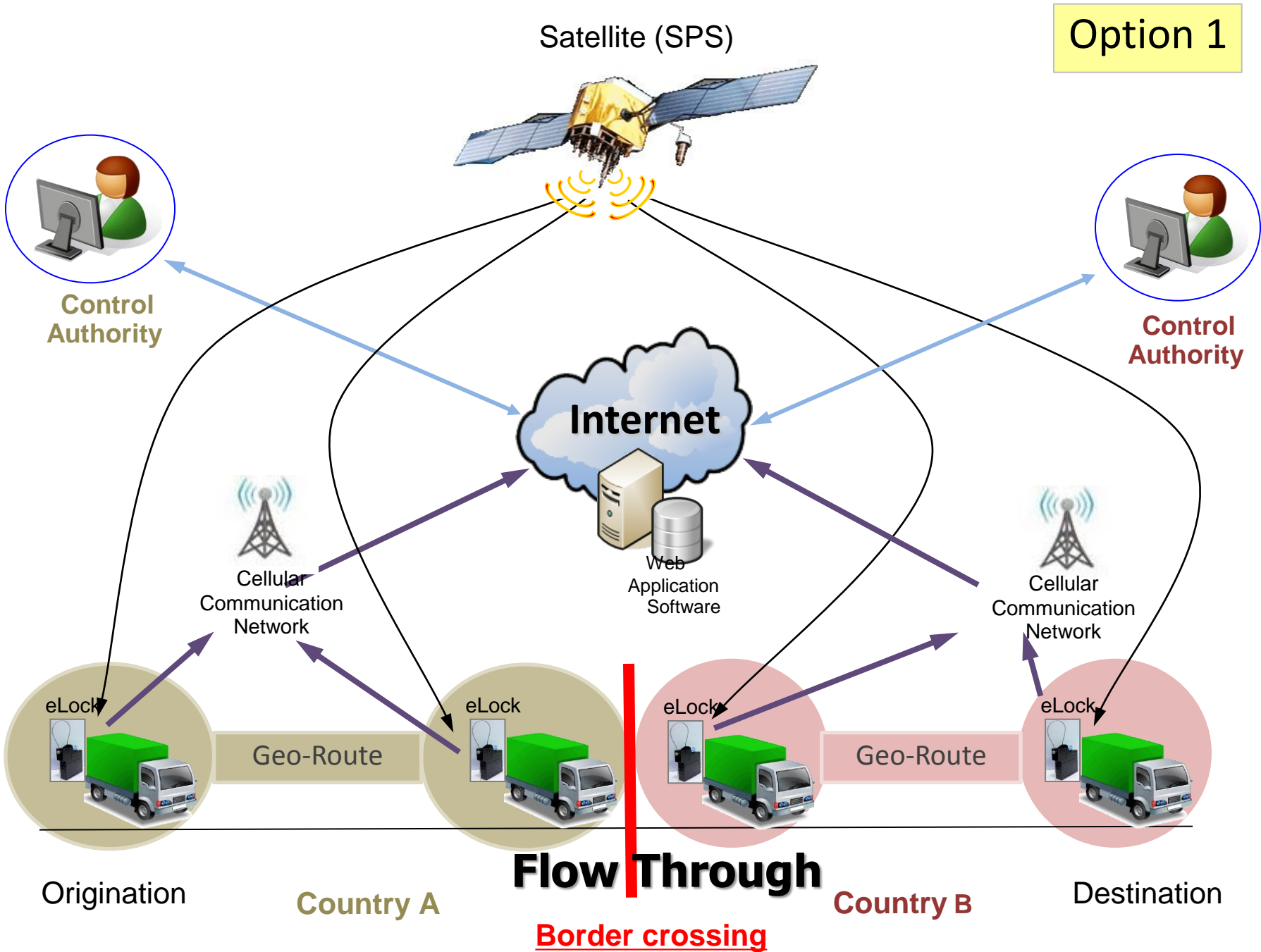
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- Contains central server and application software

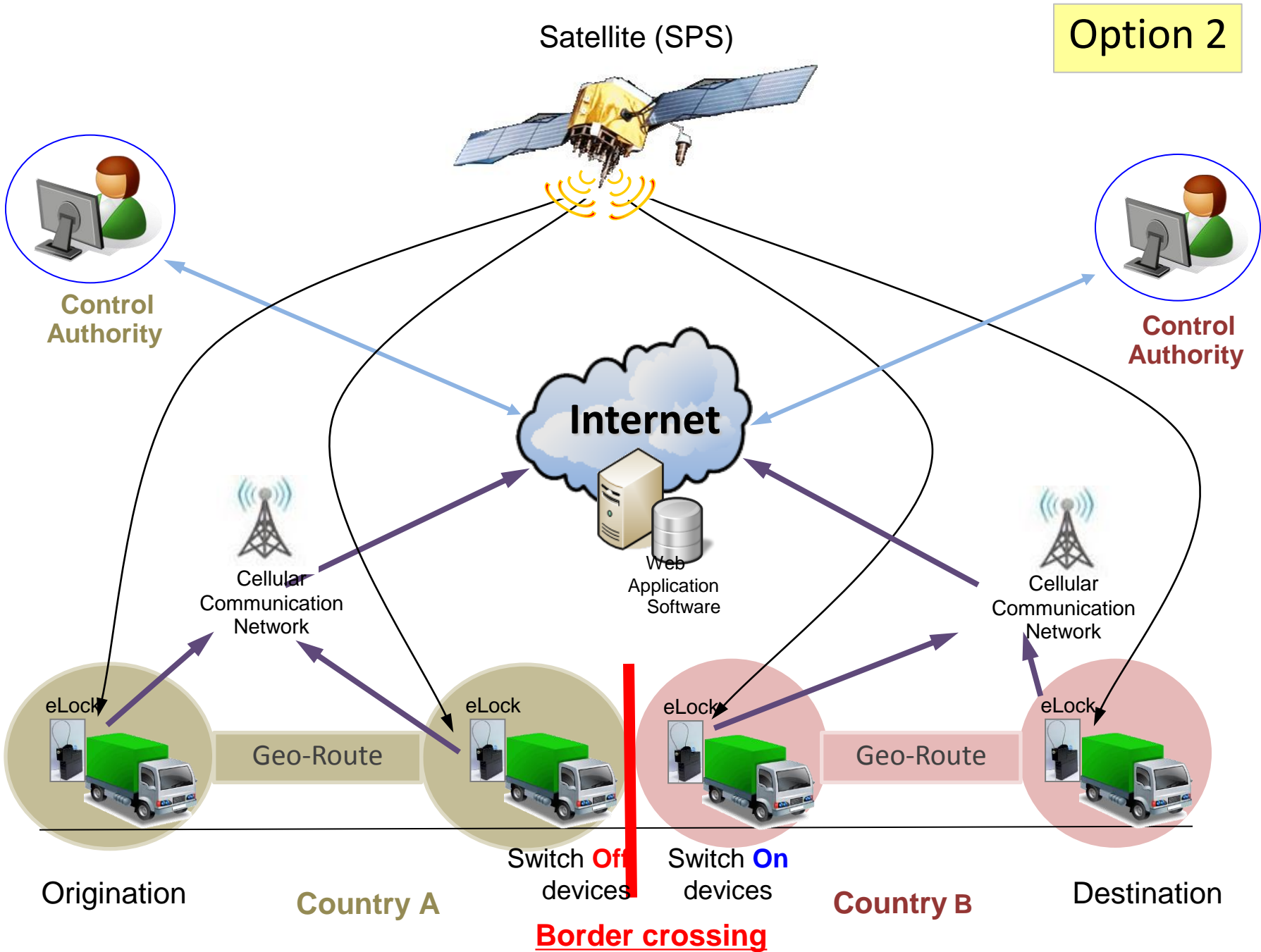
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- To initiate trips

Option 1



Option 2



Possible benefits

For control authorities

- Increase in safety and security
- Real time enforcement possible
- Reduced violations during the trips
- Increased capacity to handle more traffic
- Reduction in the need for Customs escort
- Less congestion at origin, border crossing and destination;

For transport operators

- Reduction in transport time
- Less transaction cost
- Increase predictability of consignment and therefore supply chain
- Optimal fleet management and asset utilization
- Paperless transactions possible



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