

December 2 2010 Open-ended meeting on Border Agency Cooperation Chart

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TN/TF/W/165/Rev.5	PROPOSAL	COMMENTS
<p><b>ARTICLE 9: BORDER AGENCY COOPERATION</b></p> <p><b>1. Coordination of Activities and Requirements of [all] Border Agencies</b></p> <p>1.1 A Member shall [[ensure][endeavour]] that its authorities and agencies involved in border [controls] and other import [, export and transit procedures] [[harmonize their procedures][cooperate and coordinate] [with one another] in order to facilitate trade.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 9: BORDER AGENCY COOPERATION</b></p> <p>1. A Member shall [endeavour to] ensure that its authorities and agencies involved in border controls and procedures dealing with the importation, exportation and transit of goods cooperate with one another and coordinate their activities in order to facilitate trade.</p>	<p>Argentina: make clear divide between external and internal cooperation; add "endeavour to]</p> <p>Guatemala, Colombia, India: keep "and coordinate"</p> <p>Peru: keep "harmonize their procedures"</p> <p>Turkey: "cooperate" is redundant</p> <p>Vietnam: delete subtitle;</p>
<p>1.2 Members [are encouraged to][shall, to the extent possible and practical] [should], [cooperate] with [their] [bordering] Members and coordinate their procedures at border crossings to facilitate cross-border trade. [Where possible and practical] Such cooperation and coordination may include:</p>	<p>2 Members shall, [to the extent possible and practical], cooperate with other Members with whom they share a common border and, [to the extent possible and practical,] coordinate procedures at border crossings to facilitate cross-border trade. Such cooperation and coordination may include:</p>	<p>India: Members to consider which placement of "to the extent possible and practical" is best.</p>
<p>(i) Alignment of [procedures and formalities including] working days and hours;</p> <p>[(ii) [Development and sharing of common facilities or] setting up [of] juxtaposed customs offices;] [and correlating the competence of those offices]</p> <p>[(iii) [[Joint controls] [Development and sharing of common facilities]] ;]</p>	<p>(i) Alignment of [procedures and formalities including] working days and hours</p> <p>(ii) Development and sharing of common facilities;</p> <p>(iii) Joint controls,</p> <p>(iv) One stop border control</p> <p>(v) Provision of expedited processes for goods in transit, such as a designated channel</p> <p>(vi) Development of procedures for sharing of</p>	

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<sup>1</sup> Subject to further negotiations on how a Trade Facilitation Agreement will coexist in relationship to GATT Article X.

<p>[[iv) [[Establishment of one stop border post control] [Alignment of procedures and formalities]] ;]</p> <p>[(v) Joint controls];</p> <p>[[[(v)] [vi]] [[Provision of expedited processes for goods in transit [such as a single channel]] [[To the extent practicable] [Making available]], physically separate transit infrastructure (such as lanes, berths and similar) [[shall] [should]] be made available] for traffic in transit [at border crossings] ]];</p> <p>[[[(vi)][(vii)]] Development of procedures for exchange of [non-confidential] information<sup>1</sup> [ [subject to Article 1 of the Trade Facilitation Agreement] [for conducting joint controls and recognition of inspection results]] ] ;</p>	<p>information [in accordance with national legislation] for conducting joint controls and recognition of inspection results for conducting joint controls and recognition of inspection results;</p>	

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