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**IMPLEMENTATION OF REVISED KYOTO CONVENTION PROVISIONS  
IN THE CONTEXT OF A CUSTOMS UNION**

**(Item VI on the Agenda)**

1. In accordance with the sixth paragraph of Article 6 of the Revised Kyoto Convention (RKC), the Customs Administration of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) forwarded to the Secretariat a request to include on the Agenda for this meeting a question concerning the problems of implementing the provisions of the RKC in the context of a Customs union. In order to facilitate an understanding of the potential problem encountered by that Administration, they are invited to provide further information.
2. Two scenarios are possible (1) the Customs administration of the UAE submits a respective document or (2) does not submit such a background paper. In the first case and on the basis of the document supplied by the UAE, the Management Committee is invited to examine the various questions raised by this administration and to provide its interpretation. In case there is no paper from the Customs administration of the UAE (second hypothesis), the Management Committee is nevertheless asked to give its interpretation of the question given the fact that several Contracting Parties are members of customs unions and could therefore be concerned about this issue.
3. The first paragraph of Article 6 of the RKC states that the Management Committee was established to consider the application of this Convention and to study any measures to secure uniformity in the interpretation and application thereof, and any amendments proposed thereto.
4. Furthermore, promotional activities have always been one of the Management Committee's main priorities with a view to encouraging Members who are not Contracting Parties to accede to the Convention and assisting Contracting Parties with its implementation.
5. In the light of the foregoing, the Management Committee **is invited to examine** the question raised by the UAE, **to make comments and to provide guidelines for WCO Members (whether or not Contracting Parties to the RKC) concerning the implementation of the RKC in the context of a Customs union.**