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PROVISION ON THE NATIONAL TRANSIT COORDINATOR

COMMUNICATION FROM THE KYRGYZ REPUBLIC

The following communication, dated 12 September 2019, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the Kyrgyz Republic, for Members information.

CHAPTER 1 - GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. The main goal of the activities of the National Transit Coordinator is to coordinate and organize cooperation of authorized state bodies at checkpoints across the customs border of the EAEU in the Kyrgyz Republic on the implementation of transit procedures in the Kyrgyz Republic and information support for transit operations.
2. The National Transit Coordinator is the head of the authorized state body in the field of customs.
3. The National Transit Coordinator in his activities is guided by the Constitution, other regulatory legal acts of the Kyrgyz Republic, international treaties that have entered into force in the manner prescribed by law, to which the Kyrgyz Republic is a party, as well as this Provision.

CHAPTER 2 - POWERS OF THE NATIONAL TRANSIT COORDINATOR

4. The National Transit Coordinator has the following powers:
 - Coordination of the activities of authorized state bodies of the Kyrgyz Republic in the implementation and introduction of best practices in the administration of transit procedures, the development of guideline(s) on transit, including using electronic means of information (electronic services) in accordance with the recommendations of the World Customs Organization;
 - Sending and receiving information, as well as informing the national coordinators of the countries of the World Trade Organization on transit procedures;
 - Creation and maintenance of the transit section on the official website of the National Transit Coordinator, including the state electronic services portal with information on:
 - existing procedures, including procedures at checkpoints;
 - valid documents, forms, blanks;
 - ensuring the fulfilment of the obligation to pay customs duties and taxes during the customs procedure of customs transit;
 - payments and fees charged by government;
 - current restrictions or prohibitions;
 - fines and other sanctions for violations;
 - current recourses and appeals procedures;
 - current international treaties or their individual provisions regarding transit procedures.

CHAPTER 3 - FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS OF THE NATIONAL TRANSIT COORDINATOR

5. The National Transit Coordinator, within the limits of his authority and competence, is entitled in the prescribed manner:

- To request and receive in the prescribed manner from the state bodies and other organizations of the Kyrgyz Republic the necessary information;
- To request and receive from the national transit coordinators of the member countries of the World Trade Organization the necessary information on transit and other procedures;
- To participate in regional and international transit procedures;
- To develop and represent, within its competence, a position that meets the interests of the Kyrgyz Republic at international events;
- In agreement with the heads of state bodies of the Kyrgyz Republic, to use their information databases;
- To conduct official correspondence with state bodies, institutions, as well as with other commercial and non-commercial organizations and organize consultations on the implementation of international treaties, as well as generally recognized principles and norms of international law relating to issues of simplification of transit procedures;
- By agreement with the heads of state bodies and organizations, local government bodies, to involve their employees in resolving issues under the responsibility of the National Transit Coordinator;
- To create permanent or temporary working groups, interdepartmental, expert commissions, to attract specialists of state bodies, representatives of the business community and international organizations for these purposes;
- To make suggestions and recommendations to the Council on Trade Facilitation and the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic on the practical implementation of the Agreement on Trade Facilitation in terms of transit procedures;
- To hold coordination and other meetings (meetings, consultations, discussions and others).

CHAPTER 4 - COORDINATION MEETINGS WITH THE NATIONAL TRANSIT COORDINATOR

6. Coordination meetings are held in order to consider and develop common decisions on issues arising from the competence of the National Transit Coordinator.

7. Coordination meetings are held by decision of the National Transit Coordinator, but at least 1 time per year.

8. Permanent participants of the Coordination meeting are:

- Chairman of the State Customs Service under the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic - National Transit Coordinator, Chairman of the Coordination Meeting;
- Deputy Minister of Economy of the Kyrgyz Republic;
- Deputy Minister of Transport and Roads of the Kyrgyz Republic;
- Deputy Chairman of the State Border Service of the Kyrgyz Republic;
- Deputy Director of the State Inspectorate for Veterinary and Phytosanitary Safety under the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic;
- Deputy Director of the Agency for Road, Water Transport and Weight and Dimension Control under the Ministry of Transport and Roads of the Kyrgyz Republic;
- Head of the Organizational bureau of the National Transit Coordinator.

If necessary, representatives of interested government bodies, the business community and international organizations may be invited to the Coordination Meeting.

9. Decisions of the Coordination Meeting are drawn up in the form of a protocol.

CHAPTER 5 - SUPPORT FOR THE ACTIVITIES OF THE NATIONAL TRANSIT COORDINATOR

10. The activities of the National Transit Coordinator are provided by the Organizational bureau.

The composition and the head of the Organizational bureau of the National Transit Coordinator is appointed by order of the head of the authorized state body in the field of customs.

The Organizational bureau may include representatives of other state bodies of the Kyrgyz Republic, the business community and international organizations.

The Organizational bureau organizes its activities in accordance with the work plan approved by the National Transit Coordinator.

11. National Transit Coordinator and members of the Organizational bureau operate on a voluntary basis.

Financing of the activities of the National Transit Coordinator and the Organizational bureau is carried out as part of their core business, with the possible involvement of financing from development partners.

CHAPTER 6 - FINAL PROVISIONS

12. The national transit coordinator annually submits a report on its activities to the Council on Trade Facilitation.
