

WTO Symposium on Practical Experience of Implementing TF Reforms

- Customs Cooperation -

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Customs Cooperation

1950

1953

Convention establishing the Customs Cooperation Council



<u>First</u> headquarters of the WCO (1953 – 1964)



WCO Tools for Mutual Assistance

1953

• Recommendation on Mutual Administrative Assistance

1954

 Recommendation on Pooling of Information Concerning Persons convicted of Customs Offences

1967

- Recommendation on Pooling of Information Concerning Customs Fraud
- Model Bilateral Agreement on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Customs Matters

1975

 Recommendation on Pooling of Information Concerning Customs Fraud (amended)

Nairobi Convention

1977 Body of the Convention Annex () **Annex XI** Annex I Annex II **Annex III Annex IV** Each deals with specific category of assistance

Annexes Nairobi Convention

- **Annex I** Assistance by Customs on its own initiative
- Annex II Assistance on request in the assessment of duties & taxes
- **Annex III** Assistance on request relating to controls
- Annex IV Assistance on request relating to surveillance
- **Annex V** Enquiry & notification on request for requesting Customs
- Annex VI Appearance by Customs officials before a court
- Annex VII Presence of Customs officials in the requested CP
- Annex VIII Participation in investigations abroad
- **Annex IX Pooling information**
- Annex X Assistance in action against smuggling of narcotic drugs
- Annex XI Assistance in action against smuggling of cultural properties

New Committee and WG

1983

2005

First meeting of the

ENFORCEMENT

COMMITTEE

(EC)

(December)

First meeting of the
WORKING GROUP
ON COMMERCIAL
FRAUD
(December)

Première réunion du

<u>COMITÉ DE</u>

<u>LUTTE CONTRE</u>

<u>LA FRAUDE</u>

(CLF)

(Décembre)

Première réunion du

GROUP DE

TRAVAIL SUR LA

FRAUDE

COMMERCIALE

(Décembre)

RILO & CEN

1993

Launch of the

<u>RILO</u> Project

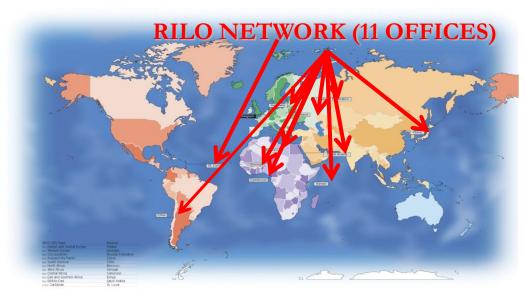
(Regional Intelligence Liaison

Offices)



2000

The <u>CEN</u>
(Customs Enforcement
Network)
is operational





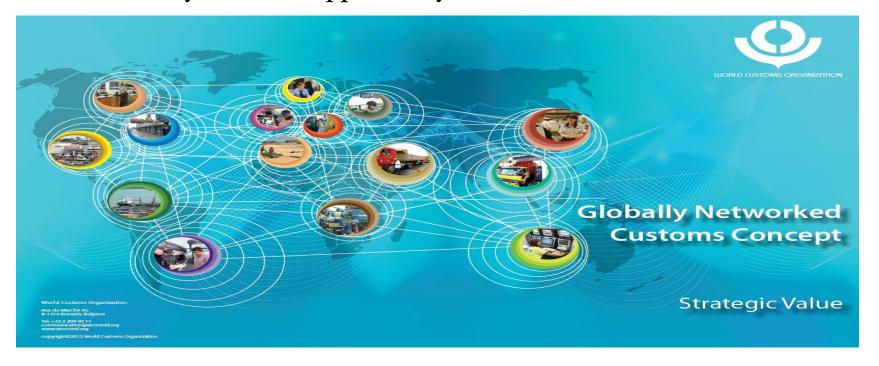




Globally Networked Customs (GNC)

The GNC approach developed by the Feasibility Study:

- To facilitate electronic information exchange;
- In a systematic & incremental approach;
- On agreed areas;
- Among agreed parties; and
- With "Utility Blocks" supported by WCO standards & tools



Globally Networked Customs (GNC)

The way ahead

- Feasibility Report & its Annexes-endorsed
- "Proof-of-concept" Phase
 - ✓ Pilot projects by willing Members for 2-3 years
 - ✓ Two Utility Blocks: AEO & Commercial Fraud
 - ✓ Evaluation & feedback
 - ✓ More willing Members & Utility Blocks for pilot projects
- Administrative structure:
 - ✓ An Informal arrangement similar to the Data Model Project Team
 - ✓ Reporting to the Permanent Technical Committee (PTC)

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