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***SIXTH INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC-PRACTICAL SEMINAR ON TRADE
DEVELOPMENT AND FACILITATION***

**TRADE FACILITATION: PUBLIC-PRIVATE
COOPERATION AND LEGAL REGULATION**

***DEVELOPING SINGLE WINDOW SYSTEMS TO
FACILITATE EXTERNAL AND MUTUAL TRADE IN THE
EURASIAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY: LEGAL AND
TECHNICAL ASPECTS***

PROGRAMME

8 October 2010
Geneva, Switzerland
Palais des Nations
Hall XXIV

The United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) through its Committee on Trade and the Interparliamentary Assembly of the Eurasian Economic Community (EurAsEC) are organizing an international scientific-practical seminar on trade development and Single Window system, with a view to facilitate trade in the EurAsEC region. The seminar is expected to concentrate on the legal and technical aspects of trade development and facilitation in the following areas:

(1) Building on the experience and results of the seminars, organized by EurAsEC and UNECE in Moscow (2006), Almaty (2007), St. Petersburg (2008 and 2009), and in Geneva (2009), review progress in developing trade legislation after the creation of the Customs Union. The discussion is expected focus on the steps in establishing the enabling organizational environment for establishing a Single Window, and border-crossing facilitation on the frontiers of the Customs Union, electronic declaration and related issues of electronic commerce, electronic documents and digital signatures.

(2) Examine the experience of developing Single Window systems in the European Union and possibilities for implementation in the EurAsEC countries. Discuss the experience of the EurAsEC countries in the implementation of the Single Administrative Document in the countries of the Customs Union, and analysis of reforms in the EurAsEC countries with reference to the accession to the International Convention on the Simplification and Harmonization of Customs Procedures (Revised Kyoto Convention). Discuss issues of risks management in the implementation of standards and regulations, with a view to include them in effective legislative mechanisms. Review possibilities of including agricultural quality standards in the legal enforcement systems of the EurAsEC countries as a means to enhance their export potential.

(3) Experience of the establishment of the Customs Union of the Republic of Belarus, the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Russian Federation.

Representatives from EurAsEC member states – Members of Parliament, representatives of Customs agencies, ministries of economy and trade, and international experts will participate in the seminar.

7 October

- 16 :00 Arrival of the participants
16:00-17:00 Meetings of parliamentarians and other delegates from the EurAsEC countries with UNECE and UNOG management (upon invitation)

8 October

Room XXIV

- 8:30 – 10:00 **Joint session of 3 permanent committees of EurAsEC's Interparliamentary Assembly:**
- on legal issues;
 - on Customs regulation and border policy
 - on trade policy and international cooperation

10:00 – 10:20

OPENING OF THE SEMINAR

Opening statements

P.B. Zverev, Executive Secretary, Interparliamentary Assembly, EurAsEC
Ján Kubiš, Executive Secretary, UN Economic Commission for Europe

Moderators:

Petr B. Zverev, Executive Secretary, Interparliamentary Assembly, EurAsEC
Mario Apostolov, Regional Adviser, UNECE Trade Division

- 10:20 – 11:00 **Session I: Trade Procedures and Facilitation: International experience and experience of the countries participating in the Customs Union of EurAsEC**

Issues of legal support for the creation of the Customs Union within the EurAsEC: first experience of Belarus, Kazakhstan and Russia.

Speakers:

Kirichuk Stepan Mihailovich, Chairman of the Committee on Local Government of the Council of the Federation of the Federal Assembly
Tinikeyev Mukhtar Bakirovich, member of the Majilis Committee on legislation and courts reforms. of the Parliament of the Republic of Kazakhstan
Karpenko Igor Vasilievich, deputy chairman of the Permanent Commission on international affairs and CIS of Chamber of Representatives of National committee of Republic of Belarus

Trade Facilitation within the Customs Union of Belarus, Kazakhstan and the Russian Federation (reports on directions of legislative regulation)

Speaker:

Chegluk Lyudmila Vladimirovna, Deputy Director, Department of Trade Policy
Commission of the Customs union

- 11:00 – 11:40 **Session II: Developing a Single Window for the Simplification of External and Mutual**

Trade Procedures in the Eurasian Economic Community: Legal and Technical Aspects

The Single Window: Major tool to facilitate trade and governance

Speaker:

Mario Apostolov, Regional Adviser, UNECE

Establishing Single Window systems to facilitate external and mutual trade

Speaker:

Goshin Vladimir Anatolyevich, First Deputy Director General of the Customs Committee of the Republic of Belarus

Modernization of the border-crossing system of the Russian Federation

Speaker:

Melnikov Vladimir Ilich, Vice Chairman of the Defence and Security Committee of the Committee of the Council of the Federation of the Federal Assembly

State database on e-licensing: Pilot implementation project of Ministry of the Economy of the Republic of Kazakhstan

Speaker:

Alyklasheva Bagylan Seksenova, Head of the Department of Licensing, Committee on Trade, Ministry of Economic Development and Trade of the Republic of Kazakhstan

Legal aspects of trade facilitation and the Single Window: the international experience. Recommendation 35

Speaker:

Rajan Dhanjee, Economic Affairs Officer, UNECE

The role of the TIR system for information exchange in international transit.

Speaker:

Guus Jacobs, Chair, UNECE Working Party 30

Specificity of cross-border electronic document exchange

Speaker:

Krasheninnikov Fedor Nikolaevich, Director General, OOO Russian Technical Society

11:40 – 11:55 **Discussion**

11:55 – 12:10 Coffee break

12:10 – 12:50 **Session III: Managing Risks through Standards and Regulations**

Speaker:

Lorenza Jachia, Economic Affairs Officer, UNECE Trade Division, secretary of WP6

Risk Management in the Supply Chain (including managing risks related to sharing of information across different organizations); risks related to products and production processes (including risks that products will fail to meet requirements, or expose consumers

to hazards); Regulations as a response to public risks; Planning of controls and inspections to minimize costs to businesses and authorities while at the same time meeting societal concerns.

12:50 – 13:00 **Discussion**

13:00 – 15:00 Lunch *Break*

15:00 – 16:30 **Session IV: Mainstreaming Agricultural Quality Standards into National Legislation Mechanisms**

Creating the legal basis for marketing standards and a technical infrastructure for quality inspection of fresh fruit and vegetables

Speakers:

Hans Hansell, Head, Intergovernmental Cooperation Section, UNECE Trade Division
Liliana Annovazzi-Jacob, UNECE agricultural standards section

Harmonization of agricultural standards and technical regulation in Republic of Belarus

Speaker:

Karpenko Igor Vasilievich, deputy chairman of the Permanent Commission on international affairs and CIS of Chamber of Representatives of National committee of Republic of Belarus (*t.b.c.*)

Report of Ministry of economic development and commerce of Republic of Kazakhstan

Speaker:

Alikpasheva Bagilan Seksenovna, Head of licensing management of Committee on trade

Experience of Interparliamentary Assembly of EurAsEC on legislative harmonization for purposes of trade facilitation in the countries participating in EurAsEC

Speaker:

Toropygin Andrey Vladimirovich, Head of interparliamentary cooperation department of the Secretariat of the IPA EurAsEC

16:30 – 17:30 **Conclusions and formulation of recommendations**

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