Recommendation 47: Pandemic Crisis Trade-Related Response

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June 2020

June-Aug 2020

Oct-Jan 2020/1

April 2021

Chronology of events

Project proposal

Project proposal was submitted in June to respond to the growing concerns with the COVID-19 pandemic

Development

Project team established and advanced the draft through six very targetted project calls

Public Review

In October, at the request of the secretariat Chief of Section, the text was converted from a White Paper to a recommendation and went through 60 day public review

Final approval

Recommendation 47 was submitted to the Plenary and was approved at the 27th session on 19 April 2021.



Overview of Rec47



Part I: Recommendations

- Introduction
- Purpose and scope
- Benefits
- Recommendation

Part II: Guidelines

- Introduction
- Scope
- Complexity of pandemics (definition, trade-related impacts, key supplies, key stakeholders)
- Guidelines to facilitate pandemic relief (collaboration, SOP/EOP, use of technology)









Overview of Rec47

Provides guidance on how to address trade-related aspects

- Collaboration
 - National Trade Facilitation Bodies
 - Cross-border cooperation
 - Capacity sharing between countries
 - Coordinatrion through regional/bilateral communities
 - SEZ
- SOP / EOP
 - Knowledge sharing
 - Reliable & qualified information
 - Enquiry points
 - Border agency measures
- Use of technology
 - EDI exchanges
 - Single Window
 - Teleworking)





Rec44: Cross-Border Facilitation Measures for Disaster Relief

- Concerns sudden on-set disasters
- And the first fifteen days of relief
- Outlines the key stakeholders (Annex 2), the comment relief goods (Annex 3), brief description on types of disasters and their phases
- Establishes immediate response priorities
- Suggests to take into consideration readiness
- Explains how to deal with unrequested (non-priority) donations
- Provides a list of key documents on the subject (Annex 1)



