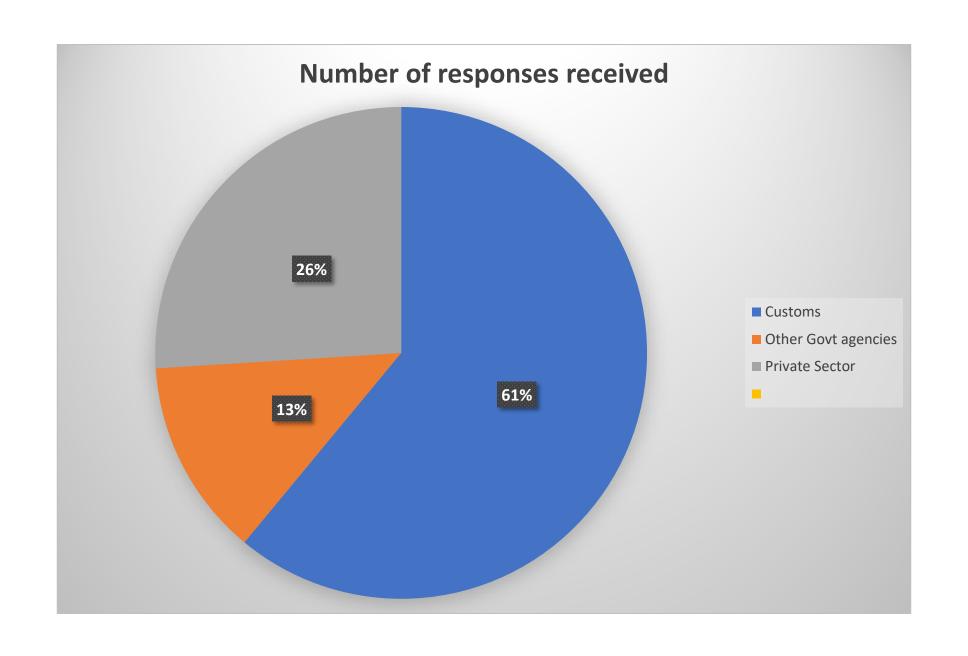
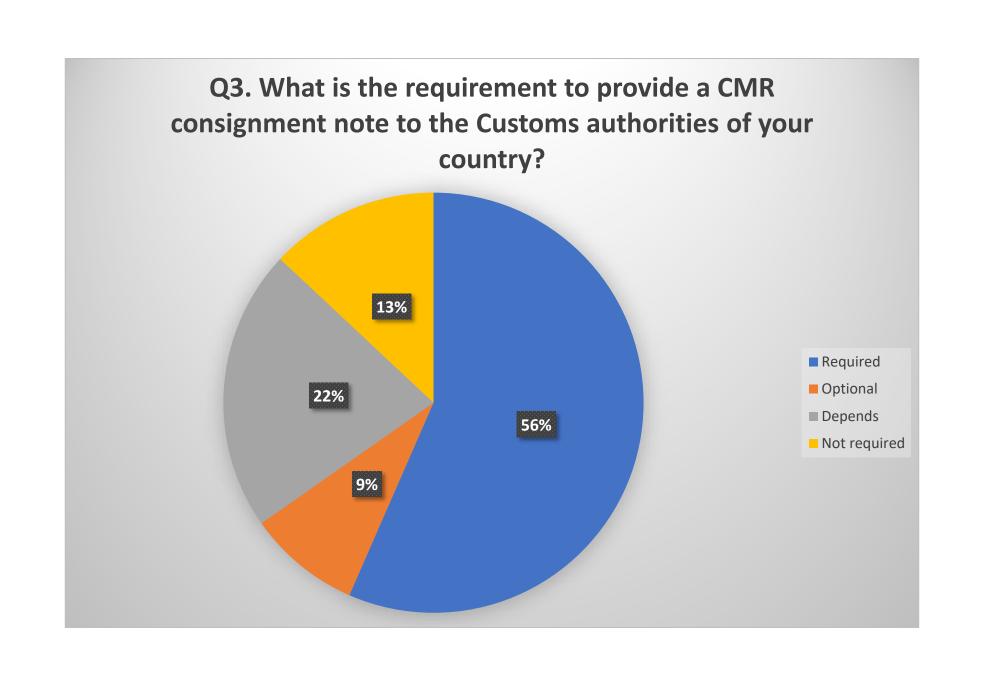
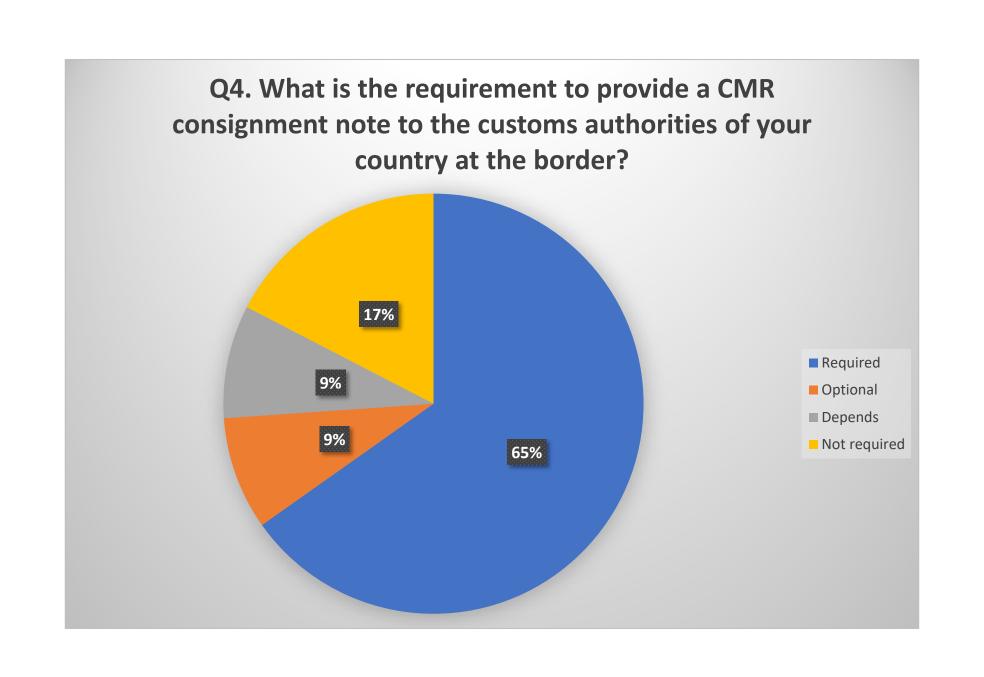
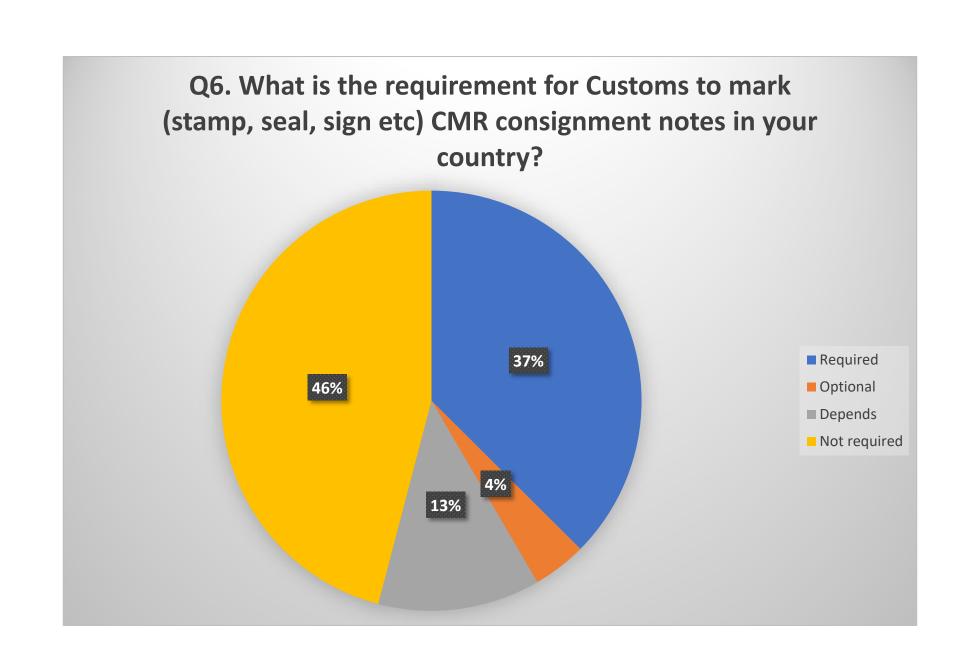
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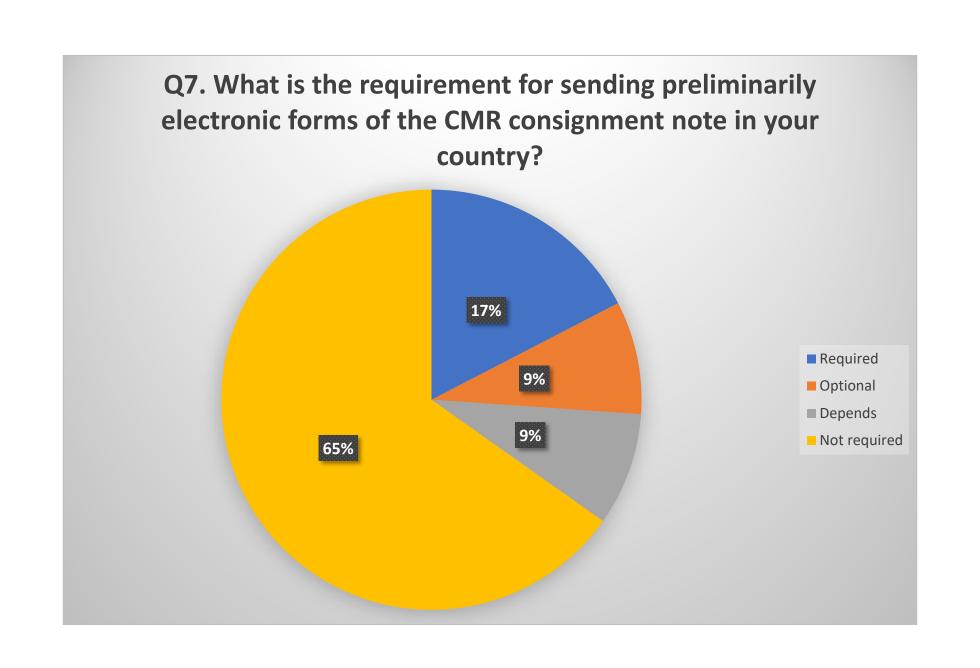
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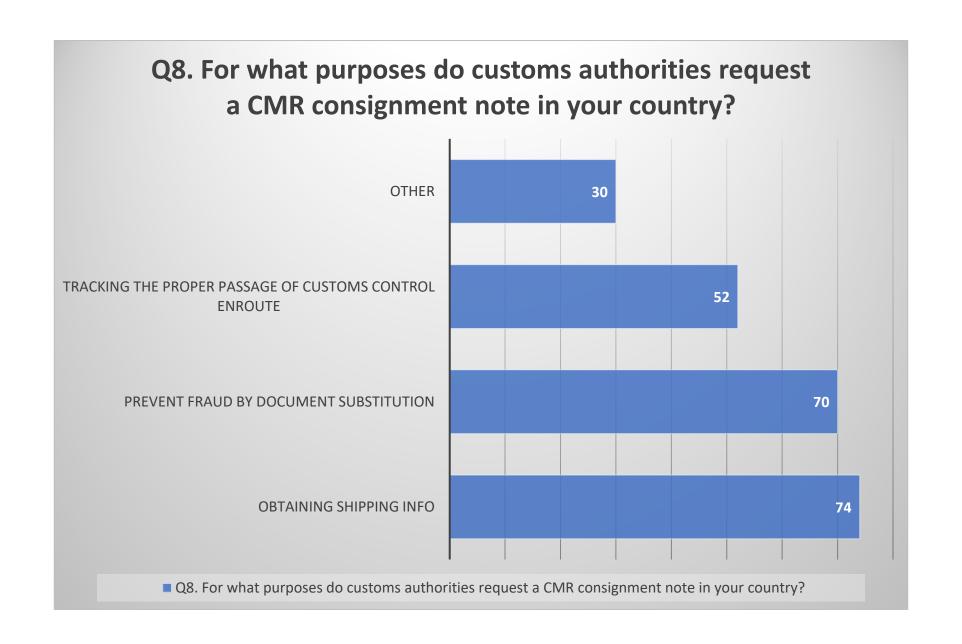












Conclusion

- The majority of respondents (non EU countries) said that paper consignment notes have to be provided to Customs authorities, particularly at their borders.
- 50% of respondents said that their relevant customs authorities do not stamp or mark the paper consignment notes, while the other half of the respondents mark/stamp the documents either as a mandatory requirement or do so depending on the circumstances. The latter were all non-EU countries.
- The vast majority of respondents use paper consignment notes to obtain shipping information and to prevent fraud by document substitution (74% and 70% respectively). In addition, about half of all respondents (52%) use consignment notes for tracking the passage of the goods through the customs authorities. A third of all respondents (30%) also use the consignment notes for other purposes including verification or accuracy of information or using them as customs documents.
- Presently, most respondents (74%) do not require the provision of electronic consignment notes or consider it to be optional, or use/require it depending on the situation (9%).