

ARTICLE 6

1. The Customs Administrations shall provide each other, either on request or on their own initiative, with information and intelligence on activities, whether planned, ongoing, or completed, which constitute or appear to constitute a Customs offence in the territory of the other Contracting Party.

2. In cases that could involve substantial damage to the economy, public health, public security, including the security of the international trade supply chain, or any other vital interest of one Contracting Party, the Customs Administration of the other Contracting Party shall, wherever possible, supply information and intelligence on its own initiative without delay.

ARTICLE 7

The Customs Administrations may, by mutual arrangement in accordance with paragraph 2 of Article 21, transmit to one another any information and intelligence covered by this Agreement on an automatic basis.

ARTICLE 8

The Customs Administrations may, by mutual arrangement in accordance with paragraph 2 of Article 21, transmit specific information and intelligence to one another in advance of the arrival of consignments in the territory of the other Contracting Party.

ARTICLE 9

The Customs Administrations may permit, according to their national legislation, by mutual consensus, under their control, the importation into, exportation from or transit via the territory of their respective States of goods involved in illicit traffic in order to suppress such illicit traffic. If granting such permission is not within the competence of the Customs Administration, that Administration shall endeavour to initiate cooperation with the national authorities that have such competence or it shall transfer the case to those authorities.