

HAVING REGARD to the relevant instruments of the Customs Cooperation Council, now known as the World Customs Organization, in particular the Recommendation of the Council on Mutual Administrative Assistance of December 5, 1953;

HAVING REGARD ALSO to international conventions of which both Parties are members, which set out prohibitions, restrictions and measures of control in respect of specific goods;

HAVE AGREED as follows:

ARTICLE 1

Definitions

For the purposes of this Agreement:

1. **“Criminal”** shall mean, in relation to a Customs offence, an offence that may result in punishment enforceable by fine, imprisonment or both.
2. **“Customs authority”** shall mean, for the Government of Canada, the Canada Border Services Agency; for the State of Israel, the Customs Directorate of the Israel Tax Authority of the Ministry of Finance; or any other governmental administration designated by a Party to the other Party as responsible for administering Customs laws;
3. **“Customs laws”** shall mean such laws and regulations in force in the respective territories of the Parties concerning the importation, exportation, and transit of goods, as they relate, *inter alia*, to customs duties, charges and other taxes or to prohibitions, restrictions and other controls in respect of the movement of goods across national boundaries;
4. **“Customs offence”** shall mean any violation or attempted violation of the Customs laws;
5. **“information”** shall mean any data, whether or not processed or analyzed, and reports, records and other communications, in any format, including electronic format, as well as certified or authenticated copies of those documents and other documentation;
6. **“person”** shall mean a natural person or a legal entity;
7. **“personal data”** shall mean data concerning an identified or identifiable natural person;