

4. On request of the Customs authority of one Party, the requested Party may authorize its officials, if those officials consent, to appear as witnesses or experts in judicial or administrative proceedings in the territory of the requesting Party, and also to produce files, documents, or other materials, or authenticated copies thereof, if they are considered essential to the proceedings.

5. Requests made under paragraph 4 shall include the date and type of the proceeding, the names of the parties involved, and the capacity in which the official is to appear.

6. When appearing in judicial or administrative proceedings, witnesses or experts authorized under paragraph 4 shall be subject to the laws and regulations which govern that testimony in the territory of the receiving Party.

ARTICLE 8

Service of Documents

1. On request, the requested Customs authority shall, in accordance with the domestic law of the requested Party, take all necessary measures in order to serve all documents and to notify all decisions falling within the scope of this Agreement to an addressee residing or established in the territory of the requested Party.

2. The requested Customs authority shall, if possible, return a proof of service or notification in the manner specified in the request. If this is not possible or if the request cannot be carried out in the manner specified, the requesting Customs authority shall be so informed and shall be advised of the reasons why it was not possible.

ARTICLE 9

Controlled Delivery

The Customs authorities may permit, in accordance with their national legislation, the importation into, exportation from or transit via the territory of their respective Parties of illicitly trafficked goods under their control. If granting such permission is not within the competence of the Customs authority, that Customs authority shall transfer the case to those national authorities that have such competence for their consideration.