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WWD, UNCLOS, Windsor and Powerful Examples of Female Leadership in Customs & Global Trade

My fellow Customs & Global Trade Professionals,

Last Friday, 3 March, many nations called on each other to halt and reverse the loss of nature and protect at least 30% of the world's oceans by 2030. World Wildlife Day (WWD) reminds countries to collaborate, elevate ambition, and move quickly to conserve and restore the environment on land and water. 2023 is also the celebration of the 50-year-old CITES treaty. We offer training in CITES, the critical instrument to halt the illegal trade of endangered species. We offer a 50% reduction for any bookings made until 12 March 2023 (now extended). All proceeds are donated to species conservation. Book here



A day later saw an essential breakthrough that many in customs and global trade could miss, but which may end us leading to new HS codes and import restrictions: the deal to rescue and protect our oceans – the **UNCLOS High Treaty** – a significant achievement. We look at this in this update.



Next week, there is a **FREE WEBINAR TOMORROW**: Got a question about the **Windsor Framework – the new deal for Northern Ireland**? Join us tomorrow at 10 am (GMT) or 11 am (CET) for a free webinar on the flow of goods. It is not too late to register here. We dedicate much space to the Agreement in this update and show the EU and UK responses, plus many documents to download.

On Wednesday, in honour of International Women's Day on 8 March 2023, we invite you to join us to watch our live Premiere of two interviews with female leaders in customs trade documentation and customs consultancy:



10 am GMT / 11 am CET: Listen to Mrs Nickie Dalton, the Head of Trade Documentation and Services at the London Chamber of Commerce, on the role of women in leadership when it comes to overseeing the issuance of ATA Carnets, Consular Documentation and Customs declaration entries, and the Trade Services department. Click here to be notified of when it launches.

2 pm GMT / 3 pm CET: Listen to Mrs Rachel Stockton, CEO of CIE Services Ltd, on how women can successfully work in large and complex enterprises and what it's like to run your own customs consultancy as a woman. Tune in by clicking on this link.



As regards the rest, you will be fully updated with the most recent customs processes and procedures (including AEO), trade agreements, biosecurity and veterinary border controls, indirect taxes (customs duty, excise, import VAT/GST), export controls, fines, KYC and due diligence, and other topics of interest. The United States of America, the United Kingdom (with a particular focus on Northern Ireland), and the European Union are the three regions whose news we cover, together with a selection of their respective member states. In addition, get familiar with the latest events throughout the globe and the organisations such as the WCO and the WTO.

So, enjoy this edition!

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World Wildlife Day – 3 March

March 3 is World Wildlife Day. It is a United Nations International day to celebrate all the world's wild animals and plants and their contribution to our lives and the planet's health. This date was chosen as it is the birthday of CITES, the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora, signed in 1973. This World Wildlife Day is also a celebration of CITES as it turns 50.

In recognition of the work CITES does and the collaborative work for conservation that is going on globally, the theme for World Wildlife Day this year is 'Partnerships for Wildlife Conservation'.

Customs Manager Ltd is offering CITES training and 50% off for all bookings made until 12 March 2023. Book the activity here.



UNCLOS: Global marine biodiversity convention achieved

High Seas Treaty Agreed

The United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, formed in 1982, governs worldwide ocean use. Some government actions are mandated under the Convention. However, because the Convention was established before to widespread recognition of biodiversity and climate issues, its environmental protection provisions are currently insufficient. Furthermore, regarding potential biotechnological resources, it has been problematic to restrict areas of the ocean and bottom outside of a country's control.

The fifteen-year United Nations conference on marine biodiversity concluded last weekend. The High Seas Treaty will reserve 30% of the ocean by 2030 to safeguard marine life. Saturday's Agreement was reportedly the product of 38 hours of deliberations at the United Nations headquarters in New York. Disagreements about finance and fishing rights halted negotiations for years. Under the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, the seas have received complete protection. However, just 1.2% of the ocean's open waters are protected. In addition, the existence of marine life outside of marine sanctuaries is threatened by global warming, overfishing, and shipping.

According to the most recent study from the International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN), more than 10 per cent of marine species are threatened with extinction (IUCN). In some

regions, the Agreement restricts fishing, shipping, and deep-sea mining (mineral extraction from 200m or more below the surface). Mining may impact marine life, animal reproduction and noise pollution. The International Seabed Authority, which issues licences, has told the BBC that any future deep-sea operations would be subject to strict environmental legislation and supervision to ensure that they are handled sustainably and ethically. Director of the IUCN Ocean team, Minna Epps, said that the critical worry is the mobility of genetic marine resources. Marine genetic resources may be advantageous to agriculture, health, and industry. The poor world anticipates economic benefits from the industrialised world's maritime discoveries. According to Dr Robert Blasiak, an ocean expert at the University of Sweden, no one understands how to assess and share ocean resources.

"Information obtained from the ocean's depths is comparable to a large high-definition television with just three or four pixels. The number of marine species is estimated to reach two million. However, we have only detected 230,000." One Greenpeace activist, Laura Meller, who focuses on ocean issues in the Nordic region, praised the governments for "putting aside divisions and making a commitment that will help us conserve the seas, increase our resilience to climate change, and protect the lives and livelihoods of billions of people." She told BBC, "Today is a terrific day for conservation and a message that nature and people preservation can triumph over geopolitics in a divided globe." However, the Agreement will not enter into force until it has been approved by the government parties involved. Liz Karan, director of the ocean governance programme at the Pews Trust, recently told the BBC, "Sluggish. The government authorises this activity. Establish new organisations, such as the Science and Technology Committee."

According to the stipulations of the pact, about 95 per cent of the world's oceans and seas would be declared as marine protected zones outside of national sovereignty. We can protect biodiversity and the earth from the ravages of climate change with the assistance of this multinational environmental organisation. The United Nations and the international community won by reaching this historic accord in challenging circumstances. Throughout the last decade, negotiators have assured the protection of marine biodiversity outside of national jurisdiction. The new arrangement includes protected oceanic regions, environmental impact statements, marine genetic resources, capacity-building, and technology transfer.

BBC Report

More countries join Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing Action Alliance Pledge

Illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing is one of the biggest threats to our ocean. While international, regional and national rules exist, application and implementation allow IUU fishing to continue. Through concerted and committed political effort, IUU fishing can be ended. At the UN Ocean in Lisbon in 2022, states and non-state actors came together and committed to tackling IUU fishing by supporting the IUU Fishing Action Alliance Pledge. New countries joined the pledge: Details & Signatories

Northern Ireland

Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland

The EU and UK agreed upon and signed the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland as part of the Withdrawal Agreement. Since February 1, 2020, it has affected the law worldwide. The Protocol protects all aspects of the Good Friday (Belfast) Agreement. This keeps peace and stability in Northern Ireland, stops a hard border on the island of Ireland, and keeps the EU Single Market safe

Webinar TOMORROW: The Windsor Framework for Northern Ireland: How will it impact the flow of goods?

The UK and the EU presented the Windsor Framework for Northern Ireland on February 27, 2023, outlining the future of bilateral trade between the EU and the UK via Northern Ireland. This webinar, presented by customs expert Arne Mielken, will examine what this new Agreement means for the free flow of goods between the UK and Northern Ireland, Northern Ireland and the EU, and the UK. First, we examine general customs arrangements, VAT and excise, SPS goods, and the movement of medicines and pets, among other things. We will discuss how the "red" and "green" channels will function and how smuggling can be prevented. Finally, we analyse how the "Trusted Trader" program will facilitate freer trade between Northern Ireland and the United Kingdom and how it can pave the way for the future. Registering below is required to attend the webinar for free. Please note that by registering, you agree to our terms and conditions, which are available on our website. In addition, you will be subscribed to the Free Edition of our weekly "Customs & Global Trade Update," which will keep you informed of all customs and global trade developments.



Register here. After the event, this webinar will be recorded and uploaded to YouTube.

Read our Explainer Document on the Northern Ireland Protocol for Customs Professionals (Current Rules)

You have been sending us lots of questions regarding the Northern Ireland Protocol. Our explainer tells you everything you need to know about the Protocol, including why it was made, what it says, what it means for the government, and more. We answer the following of your questions

- Why is a Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland in place?
- What is included in the Protocol negotiated by the Johnson Administration?
- Is Northern Ireland now part of the EU or the United Kingdom's customs territory?
- · How are 'at risk items identified?
- Is the Irish Sea now a regulatory border?
- Is Northern Ireland required to adhere to EU regulations?
- What steps have been taken to improve the movement of products into Northern Ireland?
- Is the Protocol wholly implemented?
- Does the Protocol limit the United Kingdom's use of state aid?
- Is the Protocol causing additional issues?
- Do firms in Northern Ireland have 'unrestricted access' to the rest of the UK?
- Is the Protocol affecting the rights of Northern Irish citizens?
- How does the Protocol affect people's travel on the island of Ireland?
- What rules regulate the Protocol?
- What safeguards are incorporated into the Protocol?
- · How are Protocol disagreements settled?
- Is it possible to end the Protocol?
- What are Northern Ireland's political perspectives on the Protocol?
- What is the Protocol's current state of play?
- Have any modifications to the Protocol been agreed upon?
- Are there any additional suggestions for altering the Protocol?
- Exist any alternatives to the Protocol?

Additional Documentation, Guidance and Support Materials Please find here download the following:

The Ireland/Northern Ireland Protocol Explainer For Customs Professionals



Details of the Windsor Framework (according to the UK)

Details of the Agreement in principle reached by the UK and EU regarding the Windsor Framework.

The Windsor Framework: a new way forward
Political Declaration by the European Commission and the Government of the United Kingdom

HMG Legal Position: The Windsor Framework

<u>Draft Decision of the Withdrawal Agreement Joint Committee on laying down arrangements relating</u> to the Windsor Framework

<u>Draft joint declaration by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the European Union in the Withdrawal Agreement Joint Committee on the Windsor Framework</u>

Draft Recommendation of the Withdrawal Agreement Joint Committee on Article 13(3)(a)

<u>Draft joint declaration by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the European Union in the Withdrawal Agreement Joint Committee on Article 13(3)(a)</u>

Draft Decision of the Joint Consultative Working Group on amending its rules of procedure

<u>Draft joint declaration by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the European Union in the Withdrawal Agreement Joint Committee on dialogue and goods</u>

<u>Draft unilateral declaration by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in the Withdrawal Agreement Joint Committee on the democratic consent mechanism in Article 18</u>

<u>Draft Recommendation of the Withdrawal Agreement Joint Committee on market surveillance and enforcement</u>

<u>Draft a unilateral declaration by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in the</u> Withdrawal Agreement Joint Committee on market surveillance and enforcement

Draft a unilateral declaration by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in the Withdrawal Agreement Joint Committee on export procedures for goods moving from Northern Ireland to other parts of the United Kingdom

Draft a unilateral declaration by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in the Withdrawal Agreement Joint Committee on strengthening enforcement action for goods moved in parcels from another part of the United Kingdom to Northern Ireland

Draft a joint declaration by the United Kingdom and the European Union in the Withdrawal Agreement Joint Committee on the VAT regime for goods not being at risk for the Union's internal market and on the VAT arrangements for cross-border refunds

Draft a joint declaration by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the European Union in the Withdrawal Agreement Joint Committee on the application of Article 10(1)

EU Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council - Sanitary and Phytosanitary measures

EU Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council - Medicinal products for human use

<u>EU Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) – High-risk plants (Ligustrum delavayanum and Ligustrum japonicum) originating in the UK</u>

EU Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council - Tariff Rate Quotas

EU Position paper on simplifications in the area of customs

EU Position paper on agri-food, plants and pet animals

EU Commission statement on Enhanced engagement with Northern Ireland stakeholders

EU legal texts

A new way forward on the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland: a political agreement in principle on the Windsor Framework (According to the EU)

Last Monday, the European Commission and the UK government made a political deal called the "Windsor Framework." This complete set of shared solutions takes care of Northern Ireland's practical problems clearly, giving people and businesses long-term confidence and certainty.

The combined solutions include new ways to handle customs, agri-food, pharmaceuticals, VAT, and excise and ways to help communities in Northern Ireland talk about their concerns about specific issues. In addition, these new rules protect Northern Ireland's access to the EU's Single Market, which is only available to it.

The political Agreement in principle we reached today opens a new chapter in our alliance, built on mutual trust and complete cooperation, and lets us use it to its fullest.

The solutions that have been agreed upon start with the following:

- A complete, final, and all-encompassing answer to operational issues with the Protocol; A
 balance between flexibility for end-use goods in Northern Ireland and the proper protections
 to protect the EU's, Single Market;
- Making it clear which items are at risk of getting into the EU's Single Market and which are not.
- Sanitary and phytosanitary (SPS) solutions ensure that supermarkets in Northern Ireland have the same food as the rest of the UK. As a result, Agri-food retail items for end consumption in Northern Ireland may transit from Great Britain without many certifications.
- This is because the UK's rules on public health will apply to agri-food items sold in Northern Ireland, but the EU's plant and animal health rules will protect the EU Single Market.
- SPS inspection facilities and labels will be implemented over time to match this system. With these precautions, only 5% of people must show ID.

- Inspections on the ground will be based on risk and intelligence. A pet travel passport, microchip, and owner certification that the pet will not go to the EU will make travelling with pets easier.
- Under new customs rules, "trusted traders" will be expanded to include British companies.
 Trusted merchants who move goods that aren't in danger of getting into the EU's Single Market will have their processes, declarations, and data needs greatly simplified.
- Freight and all kinds of packages—business-to-business, business-to-consumer, and consumer—were made more accessible.
- The main customs rules didn't apply to consumer-to-consumer boxes. Risk assessments, the basis for controls, can now be done because of new data-sharing methods.
- The trusted trader scheme's strict licencing and monitoring and the UK government's better
 market monitoring and enforcement are extra safeguards. However, products that could get
 into the EU's Single Market will have to go through complete customs checks.
- A permanent solution has also been made to ensure that people in Northern Ireland can get all medications, even new ones, simultaneously and under the same conditions as people in the rest of the UK.
- This supplements the EU's plan for supplying Northern Ireland with generic drugs after April 2022. However, labelling rules stop medications from entering the EU's Single Market, making these new plans possible
- Some laws about VAT and excise were also made more flexible. For example, there are now
 safeguards against fraud and unfair competition. Under these rules, the UK's VAT rates on
 goods that don't move can be lower than the EU's minimum VAT rates without putting the EU
 Single Market at risk (e.g., a heat pump for a house). In addition, if the Kingdom meets the
 EU's criteria for SMEs, goods and services will not have to pay VAT.
- Now, it's possible to tax all alcoholic drinks based on how much alcohol they contain and to set lower duty rates for alcoholic beverages offered for immediate consumption in Northern Ireland's hospitality venues, as long as the rates don't go below the EU's minimum duty rates.
- With frequent communication at all levels of the Withdrawal Agreement's mechanisms, citizens and other interested parties in Northern Ireland will have a better chance of being heard about the government.
- More people from Northern Ireland will be involved in Protocol issues.
- The Joint Consultative Working Group will split into smaller groups based on topics.
- At the request of 30 Members of the Legislative Assembly in Northern Ireland, the Stormont Brake will give the UK government the power to stop the implementation in Northern Ireland of changed or replaced Protocol-related EU laws that could have a significant and lasting effect on communities there. This mechanism would only be used in the worst cases and line with the UK's Unilateral Declaration.
- The Court of Justice is the only legal body in the EU.
- The collaborative solutions also deal with implementation problems related to tariff rate quotas (TRQs) for the most sensitive steel categories and clarify the limits on State assistance.
- These new rules are part of the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland, part of the Brexit Agreement.
- Some targeted Protocol changes have been made to deal with unplanned events or flaws that
 have come up since the Protocol was first made while staying within the legal limits that were
 already set.

- The European Commission and the UK Government will do what they can to turn the shared solutions into instruments that can be enforced by law and put them into action quickly and in good faith.
- The Commission also gave the European Parliament and Council ideas for laws about SPS, pharmaceuticals, and TRQs today.
- The Northern Ireland Protocol Bill goes against what has been decided. However, the Commission is glad that the UK government put the Northern Ireland Protocol Bill on hold so it would fail in Parliament when the term ended. When these steps are taken, the Commission's Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland lawsuits against the UK will end.

Statement by President von der Leyen
Political Declaration
Memo
Factsheet
Legal documents

United Kingdom

UK Customs Update

Reference Documents for The Customs Tariff (Preferential Trade Arrangements) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020

The UK's preferential tariffs and Rules of Origin for the agreements are contained within the Customs Tariff (Preferential Trade Arrangements and Tariff Quotas) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020. This has now been updated with: New Zealand Preferential Tariff Reference Document, version 1.0, dated 20th February 2023 and New Zealand Origin Reference Document, version 1.0, dated 20th February 2023

UK CDS

<u>Data Element 2/3: Document and Other Reference Codes: Licence Types – Imports and Exports of the Customs Declaration Service (CDS)</u>

Find a list of codes for the types of Government Department licences that can be declared for imports and exports in Data Element 2/3 (Appendix 5C). The wrong document for the import licence types was published on 28 February 2023. The correct information about **six** new import licence types has been added to Appendix 5C for Imports: 'GB Transfer Approval Document issued by the HSE for the importation of explosives', 'Firearms and nuclear materials: Explosives: GB Transfer Approval Document issued by The Health and Safety Executive (HSE)', 'Certificates of origin for steel quotas', 'Goods imported from Russia **about** the execution of obligations arising from contracts, or related ancillary contracts, signed before 23 June 2022 and under the authority of an import licence', 'Goods exported out of Russia before 23 June 2022 and imported into the United Kingdom before 10 July 2022 with commercial evidence of **the** date of export from Russia' and 'Import licence to exempt goods originating from Belarus or Russia from prohibition, if related to an obligation arising from a

contract concluded before 5 July 2022, provided the actions carried out under these contracts are completed by 30 August 2022.'

Authorised Consignee Temporary Storage (ACTS) location codes for Data Element 5/23 of the Customs Declaration Service

Find a list of the codes used in Data Element 5/23 to identify where the goods may be examined for Authorised Consignee Temporary Storage (Appendix 16N). In addition, ACTS codes have been added for DSV Solutions Ltd at Peterborough, DSV Solutions Ltd at Stoke on Trent, DSV Solutions Ltd at Wellingborough, DHL Supply Chain Ltd. at Coventry, Barfoots of Botley Ltd. at Runcton, Barfoots of Botley Ltd at Bognor Regis, Meachers Global Logistics Ltd at Southampton, Delemode International Logistics Ltd. at Southampton, CARS United Kingdom Limited at Chedburgh, CARS United Kingdom Limited at Woking, Bacardi Martini Ltd at Lutterworth, DFDS Logistics Ltd. at Grimsby, Interlink Ireland Ltd at Antrim, Interlink Ireland Ltd at Castlereagh, Great Bear Distribution Ltd. at Northampton, Cardinal Maritime Limited at Biggleswade, G3 Worldwide Mail (UK) Ltd at Southall, Interlink Ireland Ltd at Craigavon, Interlink Ireland Ltd at Loughgall, Interlink Ireland Ltd at Toomebridge, Freemans PLC at Bradford, Interlink Ireland Ltd. at Mullusk, GXO Logistics FST Ltd at Wellingborough, Gefco UK Ltd at Liverpool.

Appendix 2: DE 1/11: Additional Procedure Code for FSD

Find out the completion rules instructions for the 3-digit National Additional Procedure Code that can be used in Data Element (DE) 1/11 for the completion of the Final Supplementary Declaration (FSD). The Final Supplementary Declarations (FSD) Tariff has been amended to reflect the option of sending Supplementary Declarations and the Final Supplementary Declaration in Northern Ireland only by the 10th calendar day of the following month.

Additional Information (AI) Statement Codes for DE 2/2 of the CDS

Find the codes for further information in Data Element (DE) 2/2 of the customs declaration or clearance request (Appendix 4). Appendix 4B: National Codes which may be declared on customs declarations or customs clearance requests" has been updated to remove codes FBK01 and FBK02.

UK Excise

Receive goods into and remove goods from an excise warehouse

Find out the UK's requirements for the holding and moving of excise goods in duty suspension within the UK and the EU. Sections 2.2 and 13.2.1 have been amended to replace incorrect links to the eAD completion notes.

UK VAT

Change your VAT registration details

Use form VAT484 to change your business contact details, bank details and return dates on your VAT registration by post.

UK Biosecurity & Veterinary Affairs (incl. trade in fish)

Businesses approved to export to the EU

Use the lists to check if your business in Great Britain or one of the Crown Dependencies is approved to export to the EU and determine your TRACES number.

Certificate to be signed by the captain accompanying fishery products when entering the EU or Northern Ireland for placing on the market directly from a reefer, freezer or factory vessel: certificate 8363 updated

An Export Health Certificate (EHC) is required to directly land processed fishery products into the European Union (EU) and Northern Ireland (NI) from UK-flagged reefer, freezer and factory vessels which are listed as approved food establishments by local authorities in Great Britain (GB). This type of EHC is called a Captain's Certificate. Change made: Specimen certificate updated.

Live bivalve molluscs, echinoderms, tunicates, marine gastropods and products from these animals intended for human consumption to the European Union and Northern Ireland: certificate 8364 updated

Please apply online for an export health certificate (EHC) to export live bivalve molluscs, echinoderms, marine tunicates and products from these animals from Great Britain (England, Scotland and Wales) to the EU or move them to Northern Ireland.

A new strategy launched to protect biodiversity and the economy from non-native species

Defra and the Scottish and Welsh governments will publish a new action plan today (27 February) to preserve Great Britain's biodiversity, ecosystems, and economy against invading non-native species. Recent findings demonstrate that non-native species are among the top five causes of worldwide biodiversity loss, costing the British economy £1.84 billion annually. Britain has 2000 non-native species and 10-12 new ones per year. They destroy ecosystems, feed on native species, transmit illness, and alternative species' genetics. Due to more excellent frost-free winters and floods, new non-native species are anticipated to proliferate. Degradation makes biodiverse natural environments more susceptible to invasion and disease. Particular initiatives include increasing border and post-border inspection capacity, assessing the highest-risk pathways and processes for the Entry and spread of invasive non-native species, and improving our fast reaction systems. Link

The Great Britain Invasive Non-native Species Strategy: 2022 to 2030 The strategy:

- Sets out the aims and actions for addressing the threats posed by invasive non-native species
- sets out a framework to deliver the most effective response to preventing, eradicating and managing invasive non-native species
- aims to improve coordination and cooperation by government, stakeholders, land managers and the general public against invasive non-native species across Great Britain

Link

Export or move food, drink and agricultural products

What you need to do to export or move food, drink and farming products. New added guidance on how to prove that animals used to make food, drink, and agricultural products had regular health visits from a vet. Link to Guidance

UK Sanctions

Financial sanctions, Russia

The Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 ensure that sanctions relating to Russia are implemented effectively. HM Treasury Notice, Russia, 28/02/2023 added.

The TRA has begun reviewing its guidance on anti-dumping measures for imports of Aluminium Extrusions from China.

UK ADD & CVD: How We Can Support You

Antidumping, countervailing duties, and safeguards are expanding globally. Now you may use our trade remedy expertise. We have represented clients in several antidumping and other trade remedy cases. We provide assistance for all sorts of hearings, discussions, refund and anti-circumvention investigations, and evaluations. Use our worldwide expertise to mitigate trade remedy-related risks and assist your international company ambitions.

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European Union

We looked through the following updates of the European Union as published in the Official Journal of the EU. In addition, we also subscribe to news updates from DG TAXUD (Customs matters), DG SANTE (Biosecurity and veterinary matters) and DG TRADE (EU trade matters, ADD-CVD and export controls), as well as receiving other newsletters and subscriptions to get a comprehensive picture.

OJ legislation we analysed for you:

03/03/2023	L067	<u>C080</u> <u>C081</u>
02/03/2023	<u>L065</u> <u>L066</u>	<u>C078</u> <u>C079</u>
01/03/2023	L064	<u>C077</u>
28/02/2023	<u>L063</u>	<u>C072 C073 C074 C075 C076</u>
27/02/2023	L061 L062	<u>C070</u> <u>C070</u> <u>C071</u>

EU Customs Law & Guidance Update

ICS 2,2 Derogation Rule Explained

The EU compels customs authorities and commercial operators to communicate electronically and save information. Member states must establish the national entry system as a national component of ICS2 Version 2 by 1 March 2023. In addition, they must allow economic operators to connect to the system between 1 March and 2 October 2023 and provide entry summary statements upon joining. Nonetheless, the EU may permit one or more Member States not to use electronic data processing techniques for information exchange and storage if the Member State's circumstances warrant it and the exemption is temporary. France and the Netherlands had to adjust their priorities after the United Kingdom left the European Union, and several customs declarations were filed. Due

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E-mail: <u>Info@customsmanager.org</u> www.customsmanager.org to the economic effect of Russia's invasion of Ukraine on the customs procedures of neighbouring countries, Austria had to pay more fees. These obstacles have impeded IT development, and some Member States will not finish implementing IT tools for the national entry system component of ICS2 Version 2 by March 1, 2023. Poland sought other choices for data storage and interchange.

So, Austria, Belgium, Croatia, Denmark, Estonia, France, Greece, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Poland, Romania, and Sweden may delay ICS2,2 and advise the Commission on their progress in establishing the national entry system for air-shipped goods. Furthermore, they may use means other than electronic data-processing techniques to transmit and store information until June 30, 2023, as long as it does not impair the sharing or storage of communication between them, the EU has ruled. To satisfy this paragraph, member states shall use the electronic system CRMS to communicate information in the following ways:

- (a) The customs authorities of the Member States to which the entry summary declaration details were sent through ICS2 will send their risk analysis to the customs office of the first Entry in the Member State to which a derogation is given.
- (b) The customs office of the first Entry submits the suggestion to control the items to a customs office of a Member State to whom the exemption applies.
- (c) The customs office of a Member State to which a derogation is granted sends the decision on controlling the goods to all customs offices that could be affected by goods movement.

Read the law

Agenda of upcoming customs meetings

- Agenda for Trade Policy Committee (<u>Generalised System of Preferences</u> (GSP)) 06 March 2023
- Agenda for: 241st meeting of the Customs Code Committee Tariff & Statistical Nomenclature (Sub-Section Agriculture/Chemistry) - 21st to 22nd March 2023

Union Tariff quotas for Northern Ireland

P<u>roposal</u> for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) 2020/2170 as regards the application of Union tariff rate quotas and other import quotas to certain products transferred to Northern Ireland - See the <u>Annex</u>

EU Trade Policy & FTA Update

10th EU-Korea Trade Committee Joint Minutes

The Committee met on 30 November 2022 and read the minutes. Additional Documentation, Guidance and Support Materials Please find here download the following:

→ Minutes of the 10th EU-Korea Trade Committee

Overview of economic partnership agreements as of 01 March 2023

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COMMON MILITARY LIST OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Adopted by the Council on 20 February 2023 (equipment covered by Council Common Position 2008/944/CFSP defining common rules governing the control of exports of military technology and equipment) (updating and replacing the Common Military List of the European Union adopted by the Council on 21 February 2022. Access here

EU Sanctions

A Brussels Sanctions Headquarters?

To "transform its economic competence into geopolitical might," the EU must increase the severity of its sanctions. The Dutch government is "convinced we need to get to qualified majority voting in sanctions, human rights, and civilian EU missions," Dutch Foreign Minister Wopke Hoekstra said in a 20 February speech. Our capability to adjust to new circumstances will increase significantly. The European Union requires unanimity for such decisions. That's why we need a considerably more powerful, potent, and easily-applied EU anti-coercion weapon, Hoekstra added. To ensure that any foreign power that tries to oppress one of us economically feels the full force of the Union's economic might. Although sanctions are "hurting the Russians like hell" and are "being evaded on a large scale," he urged the EU to "sail to the next horizon where sanctions are concerned." "We currently have too little ability in the EU to analyse, organise, and lobby for greater fines," Hoekstra added. We need to up our game. I propose establishing a sanctions hub in Brussels. Information about the success and avoidance of members may be shared here. Our efforts to counter third-country circumvention have increased. This new command centre would monitor high-risk sectors and trade routesSanctions violators should face the full force of the European Union's economic and criminal justice system. In other words, identity publicly shuns, punishes, and prosecutes. Read the speech in its entirety

EU Sanctions Against Belarus

The EU has amended the restrictive measures given the situation in Belarus and the involvement of Belarus in the Russian aggression against Ukraine (1), and in particular Article 8a thereof. The entries relating to 21 natural and two legal persons included in the list of natural and legal persons, entities, and bodies subject to restrictive measures set out in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 765/2006 should be amended. Link

EU Terrorism Sanctions list updated

The EU has updated the list of persons, groups and entities to which Regulation (EC) No 2580/2001 applies specific restrictive measures directed against certain persons and entities to combat terrorism. See List

EU Ukraine Sanctions amended

The EU has amended restrictive measures directed against certain persons, entities and bodies in* view of the situation in Ukraine. Link here

EU ADD Updates

New Exporter Review for Melamine Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/442 of 28 February 2023 initiating a 'new exporter' review of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1171 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty on imports of melamine originating in the People's Republic of China for one Chinese exporting producer, repealing the duty about imports from that exporting producer and making these imports subject to registration. **Details**

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EU Customs & Global Trade Court Cases

 Judgment of the General Court of 01 March 2023 in Case <u>T-301/20</u>, Hengshi Egypt Fiberglass Fabrics SAE, Jushi Egypt for Fiberglass Industry SAE, Vs. European Commission, supported by Tech-Fab Europe eV

Re: Dumping - Imports of certain woven or stitched glass fibre fabrics originating in China and Egypt - Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/492 - Definitive anti-dumping duty - Calculation of the average value - Article 2(5) of Regulation (EU) 2016/1036 - Manifest error of assessment - Injury - Calculation of the undercutting margin

- Judgment of the General Court of 01 March 2023 in Case <u>T-480/20</u>, Hengshi Egypt Fiberglass Fabrics SAE, Jushi Egypt for Fiberglass Industry SAE, Vs. European Commission, supported by Tech-Fab Europe eV Re: Subsidies Imports of certain woven or stitched glass fibre fabrics originating in China and Egypt Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/776 Definitive countervailing duty Calculation of the subsidy amount Attributability of the subsidy Rights of the defence Manifest error of assessment Import duty drawback scheme Tax treatment of foreign exchange losses Calculation of the undercutting margin
- Judgment of the General Court of 01 March 2023 in Case <u>T-540/20</u>, Jushi Egypt for Fiberglass Industry SAE, Vs. European Commission, supported by Association des producteurs de fibres de verre européens (APFE) Re: Subsidies Imports of continuous filament glass fibre products originating in Egypt Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/870 Definitive countervailing duty and definitive collection of the provisional countervailing duty Rights of the defence Attributability of the subsidy Manifest error of assessment Import duty drawback scheme Tax treatment of foreign exchange losses Calculation of the undercutting margin
- Judgment of the General Court of 01 March 2023 in Case In Case <u>T 324/21</u>, Harley-Davidson Europe Ltd, Neovia Logistics Services International, Vs. European Commission, Re: Customs union Regulation (EU) No 952/2013 Determination of the non-preferential origin of certain motorcycles manufactured by Harley-Davidson Commission Implementing Decision requesting the revocation of decisions relating to binding origin information adopted by the national customs authorities Concept of 'processing or working operations which are not economically justified' Right to be heard

EU Health & Tobacco

Tobacco product traceability standards and systems changed

The EU regulated tobacco product detection. This mechanism helps Member States and the Commission locate tobacco goods throughout the EU. It will also assist them in uncovering criminal product distribution frauds. On May 20, 2019, the system tracking cigarette movement began gathering data. Implementation has proved how crucial it is to capture data rapidly, correctly, thoroughly, and easily comparable. Data quality determines tobacco traceability aims and enforcement.

Very effective method

A successful cigarette monitoring system requires powerful, thorough, and high-quality data. To manage and utilise repository data, the Member States and Commission need analytical tools and technology solutions such as interfaces to access and query repository data. Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/574 will allow tobacco traders to report, enhance data management and analysis, and increase Traceability by modifying necessary technical restrictions.

Exceptions

Technical standards explain how the repository system works; ID issuers operate, economic operators report, and how Member States enforce the rules.

The updates address many exceptions and unique instances after Traceability became live. These include economic operators only involved in non-logistic trading operations, non-EU entities in the EU supply chain, facilities that combine non-retail and retail functions, the loss of identifiers, the recovery of stolen goods, IT incidents that require data reprocessing, and pre-launch cases.

Changes ahead

The repository system and secondary repository provider's capabilities must also be modified. On September 25, 2018, the Pact to End Illegal Tobacco Trading took effect. WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control. The primary and secondary repository operators are selected in Annex I of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/574. Several requirements must be clarified to ensure uniformity in how group of undertakings, importers, and non-Union manufacturers notify the Commission of potential suppliers and sign data storage contracts. Contracts for alerts and data storage may increase when all cigarette products are traceable. The primary and secondary repository providers require extra time to sign and deliver arrangements. Finally, the Commission should automatically approve critical data storage contract revisions. The EU's traceability system should keep up with technology to monitor items worldwide. ID issuers, repository service providers, anti-tampering device producers, and other economic operators should be given time to prepare by changing Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/574 and delaying several sections.

Download law changes

United States

US Customs

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- Deferral of Duty on Large Yachts Imported for Sale.
- · Declaration of Owner and Declaration of Consignee When an Agent makes Entry
- Forced Labor Technical Expo
- Section 321 Data Pilot: Modification of Data Elements, Expansion of Pilot To Include Additional Test Participants, and Extension of Pilot
- Facial Comparison for APIS Compliance Test
- Jilin Forest Industry Jingiao Flooring Group Co., Ltd., Plaintiff, v. United States, Defendant
- Hyundai Steel Company, Plaintiff, v. United States, Defendant, and Nucor Corporation, SSAB Enterprises, LLC, and Steel Dynamics, Inc., Defendant-Intervenors
- · Cheng Shin Rubber Ind. Co. Ltd., Plaintiff, v. United States,
- Defendant, and United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber,
- Manufacturing, Energy, Allied Industrial and Service Workers International Union, AFL-CIO, CLC, Defendant-Intervenor

US Sanctions

Global Magnitsky Designations; Russia-related Designations

Counter Narcotics and Iran-related Designations; Russia-related Designations Updates; Issuance of Iran-related General License and Guidance; Publication of Fraud Alert

The Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) has published an Alert, "Notice of Fraudulent Communications Requesting Payments involving OFAC" to inform the public of telephone, email, and letter scams involving individuals falsely claiming to represent OFAC and requesting payments. One example involves timeshare fraud schemes, where scammers have falsely claimed that OFAC has "blocked" payments of taxes made by the timeshare owner. OFAC is also issuing Iran General License O, "Authorizing Wind-Down and Limited Safety and Environmental Transactions Involving Certain Vessels", and two related Frequently Asked Questions (1119 and 1120).

CJNG Timeshare Fraud Network

Treasury Sanctions CJNG-Run Timeshare Fraud Network

Designating Iran Sanctions Evaders

Publication of Tri-Seal Compliance Note: Cracking Down on Third-Party Intermediaries Used to Evade Russia-Related Sanctions and Export Controls

Today, the U.S. Department of Commerce's Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS), the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), and the U.S. Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) issued a <u>Tri-Seal Compliance Note: Cracking Down on Third-Party Intermediaries Used to Evade Russia-Related Sanctions and Export Controls</u> to alert the international community, the private sector, and the public to attempts by malign actors to continue to try to evade sanctions and export controls to support Russia's military-industrial complex in support of Russia's illegal and unprovoked war against Ukraine. The Compliance Note details how Russia uses third-party intermediaries and transhipment points to circumvent restrictions and obscure the true identities of Russian end users. In addition, the Compliance Note provides common red flags indicating that a third-party intermediary may be engaged in efforts to evade sanctions or export controls.

North Korea Designations

OFAC sanctioned three entities and two individuals illicitly generating revenue in support of the government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK).

Settlement Agreement between the OFAC and Godfrey Phillips India, Ltd.

The U.S. Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) today announced a \$332,500 settlement with Godfrey Phillips India Limited ("GPI"). GPI, a Mumbai, India-registered tobacco company, has agreed to settle its potential civil liability for five apparent violations of the North Korea Sanctions Regulations, 31 C.F.R. part 510. Specifically, between July and August 2017, GPI requested payment in U.S. dollars for its indirect exportation of tobacco to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. One of these five payments was directed to the foreign branch of a U.S. financial institution. OFAC determined that GPI did not voluntarily self-disclose the apparent violations and that the alleged violations constitute a non-egregious case. For more information, please visit the following web notice

Counter Narcotics Designation and Designation Update

US Export Controls

Export Control Changes in response to Russia's invasion of Ukraine - Overview

The recent actions represent the most significant rise in U.S. export restrictions on Russia for a long time. Businesses conducting direct or indirect trade with Russia must adopt stringent rescreening compliance processes to guarantee that third parties with whom they do business and planned shipments to Russia do not enter the new laws. This requires examining Chinese third parties who are likely to resell to Russia. BIS has implemented measures to expedite exiting Russia, a massive benefit for US businesses.

The following is a summary of the most critical aspects of the new export controls:

- Expansion of Russian/Belarussian Unconventional Oil and Gas Export Controls: BIS updated
 the list of parts controlled for export, reexport, or transfer to unconventional
 Russian/Belarussian oil and gas exploration and production to identify the items handled using
 the HTS Code (instead of the Schedule B) and to note that items not listed by HTS code, but
 that are parts, components, accessories, or attachments, are also controlled for export,
 reexport, or transfer (that are not minor, e.g., screws and bolts)
- Entity List Designations: On the Entity List, BIS recognised 79 Russian entities, five Chinese
 entities, two Canadian entities, one French entity, one Luxembourg entity, and one Dutch
 entity. All exports, reexport, and transfers of EAR-regulated items to these people need a
 licence.
- Iran Foreign Direct Product Rule and Drone Restrictions: BIS produced a new list of products identified by HTS and published in a new Supplement No. 7 to 15 C.F.R. 746, consisting of parts and components related to unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) that Iran has incorporated into the drones it exports to Russia. In addition, BIS enacted the Iran Foreign Direct Product Regulation, which applies to items specified in Supp. No. 7 or in Category 3, 4, 5, or 7 of the Commerce Control List that is the direct outcome of specific U.S. technology or software. Also, BIS revised the Russia/Belarus foreign immediate product requirements to cover the items listed in Supplement No. 7.
- Russia/Belarus Military End User Foreign Direct Product Rule: BIS also verified that the Russia/Belarus military end-user foreign direct product rule applies to 66 (of the 79) Russian entities.
- Increase of Listed Items Banned for Export to Russia and Belarus: BIS identified over 500 more items to be added to Supplement Nos. 4, 5, and 6 to 15 C.F.R. 746 that are now prohibited for export, reexport, or transfer to Russia. The products specified in Supplement No. 6 are also subject to the limits on foreign direct products for Russia and Belarus.

Taiwan has been added to the list of states exempt from Russia/Belarus foreign direct product laws for regular and military end-users and certain de minimis conditions. Significantly, BIS changed its licencing position for businesses leaving Russia and would now examine licence requests to dispose of items on a case-by-case basis (as opposed to its previous policy of denial), potentially expediting the licencing process for businesses departing Russia. Yet, OFAC maintained in FAQ 1118 that any

"exit tax" levied by Russia on U.S. citizens might need a licence from OFAC if paid to sanctioned Russians.

Two U.S. Citizens Arrested for Illegally Exporting Technology to Russia Press Release

Commerce Adds 37 to Entity List for Unsafeguarded Nuclear and Missile-Related Activities, Supporting PRC Military Modernization, Violations of Human Rights, and Support for Russia's Military and/or Defense Industrial Complex

Press Release

Departments of Justice, Commerce and Treasury Issue Joint Compliance Note on Russia-Related Sanctions Evasion and Export Controls

Press Release

WTO

WTO - Committee on Anti-Dumping Practices - <u>Semi-annual report</u> under article 16.4 of the Agreement - 1 July - 31 December 2022 - Türkiye

This Week's Supportive Documents

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The Ireland/Northern Ireland Protocol Explainer Document for Customs Professionals Minutes of the 10th EU-Korea Trade Committee Overview of EU economic partnership agreements as of 01 March 2023 Overview FTA negotiations as of 01 March 2023

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<u>Our answer:</u> This is a new agreement that applies only in principle. So, it is not legally enacted, as both the British and EU Parliament must still agree. So,



for now, there is no change. Continue as you are. The proposal, however, is that "trusted traders" are expected to enjoy smoother processes when transporting goods for end use in Northern Ireland. In agri-food, simplified documentation will facilitate the movement of retail foods for end consumers in Northern Ireland. Applying UK public health standards for such goods will mean that people in Northern Ireland can access the same foods as in the rest of the UK. Chilled meats, such as sausages, will move quickly to Northern Ireland. Join our webinar tomorrow to find out more.

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25-26 May 2023 - European Customs Practitioners' Conference, Vilnius, Lithuania

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