THE APPLICATION OF E-CUSTOMS IN THE COUNTRIES OF THE EURASIAN ECONOMIC UNION

ПРИМЕНЕНИЕ ЭЛЕКТРОННОЙ ТАМОЖНИ В СТРАНАХ ЕВРАЗИЙСКОГО ЭКОНОМИЧЕСКОГО СОЮЗА

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The customs authorities aim to create a barrier-free environment for business. The new Customs Code came into force on January1, 2018. The key point of the Customs Code (CC) of The Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU) is the transforming of all customs procedures into electronic format, as well as electronic declaring. The CC establishes automation of many customs processes andreduces communication of businesspersons and customs officers to a minimum.

The time of registration of the declarations is reduced from 2 hours to 1hour, and the time of release of goods - from a day to 4 hours.

The new code also introduces the principle of a "single window", which means that documents for customs operations during the registration will be provided only once – to the customs information system of one of the states. Further, in another country, it will be enough just to refer to them in the customs declaration [1].

In connection with these innovations, let us look into more detail on what electronic opportunities are provided by the State Customs Committee (SCC) of the Republic of Belarus to business sector nowadays.

1. Electronic declaring

The most important and useful benefit is the possibility of electronic declaring. In Belarus, it's provided with the help of the National Automated System for Customs Declaring (NASCD). NASCD is a system that provides information support and automation of customs operations, which are made by Customs officers and declarants using paper and electronic documents, as well as ensuring information interaction of customs bodies of the Republic of Belarus with interested persons and customs services of other states.NASCD is an independent system that is a part of the unified automated information system of the Customs authorities of the Republic of Belarus [2].

This system was created and has been functioning since 2008. The works on its creation were conducted together with the National Academy of Sciences within the framework of the State Program "Electronic Belarus".

Today almost 100% of goods declarations are filed electronically. And this is about 5000 participants of foreign economic activity.

Especially it should be noted that it is acting fully automatically. In order to get the opportunity to use this system, it's necessary to pre-register as a user after having completed the necessary procedures.

2. Information about the export of goods

This section contains information about the export of Belarusian goods through Belarusian, Russian and Kazakhstan export points. The information is updated once a week. The necessary information can be obtained by entering registration number of the export declaration in the search window. The search results will be displayed in the form of a table, where you can see: the number of the goods declaration; number and date of issue of permission for the export of goods from the territory of the Republic of Belarus.

3. Database of imported vehicles

This database allows you to find out the date of customs clearance of a vehicle imported to the territory of the Republic of Belarus. The information is updated once a month. To search, you should enter a VIN, a chassis number or a vehicle body number in the proper field.

The search should be carried out on two bases in turn:

- Search in the database, containing information on vehicles imported by individuals for personal use, and released for free circulation on the territory of the Republic of Belarus;
- Search in the database, containing information on vehicles imported into the Republic of Belarus and placed under the customs procedure of clearance for home use, without taking into account vehicles issued in accordance with the customs procedure of clearance for home use with restrictions on use and (or) disposal.
 - 4. Preliminary electronic presentation of data by individuals

The portal is designed for individuals so that they could provide information about goods and vehicles intended for transfer across the customs border, passengers arriving at the customs territory of the customs union or leaving such territory, for the purpose of using this preliminary information during customs clearance and control.

With the help of preliminary information, you can significantly reduce the time for issuing documents at the checkpoints.

For this, before arriving at the border you should:

- Step 1. Log in the user accounting system.
- <u>Step 2.</u> Fill in the form of the passenger declaration, specifying the basic information about the goods, money and vehicles.
- <u>Step 3.</u> Register a preliminary notification via the Web interface and get a unique identification number.

It is recommended to send preliminary information not later than 2 hours before arrival at the checkpoint.

- <u>Step 4.</u> At the moment of Customs declaring present the goods, vehicle and the received unique identification number of the preliminary notice.
- <u>Step 5.</u> The customs officer checks the data. In the absence of differences, the registration process will take no more than 15 minutes.
- 5. *Monitoring* the processing of documents in the internal customs clearance point and republican customs clearance point.

6. Electronic reception

You have the opportunity to leave your electronic appeal or make an appointment with the Chairman of the SCC of the Republic of Belarus.

Electronic appeals are sent electronically to the e-mail indicated in the electronic appeal, or in a paper way to the address of the place of residence of the citizen or the location of the legal entity. If incoming electronic appeals of similar content from different applicants have a mass character (more than 10 applications), responses to such appeals may be placed in a specialized rubric under the decision of the SCC administration.

7. The register of control of customs procedures terms

Since 2014, this section contains information on the deadlines set by the customs authorities of the Republic of Belarus for the release of goods in accordance with customs procedures: processing in the customs territory, processing outside the customs territory, processing for home use, temporary importation, temporary export, customs warehouse. This section contains information only about those goods declarations, which have less than 30 days before the expiry of the term.

8. Protection of intellectual property rights

The customs authorities of each EAEU member state maintain their national customs registers of intellectual property objects, which can also be found on the official website. To include a trademark or other intellectual property object in the national registry, the right holder must submit an application to the SCC of the Republic of Belarus.

9. Registers of persons engaged in activities in the field of customs

The SCC also provides an opportunity to read online the registers of owners of temporary storage warehouses, customs warehouses, duty-free shops; customs representatives, customs carriers and authorized economic operators.

In conclusion, we would like to note that the customs bodies of the Republic of Belarus do not stand still, the use of electronic technologies is developing as a matter of priority. And this, in turn, brings the following benefits [3]:

- improved control
- reduced cargo clearance time
- closer cooperation with other border control agencies
- uniform application of Customs and other border-related legislation
- increased transparency and predictability for the user sector

- more accurate and timely trade statistics.

And the active cooperation of the EAEU member states within the framework of information technologies, including the creation of a unified information system, will further bring our countries closer together, increase the efficiency and speed up customs operations and make our life easier.

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