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Empowering Public-Private partnership for trade facilitation

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Roles and Responsibilities of agencies

- Effective communication
- Increased collaboration
- Sharing of information
- Data mapping
- Harmonization of information
- Spell out their risk-based criteria
- Carry out coordinated intervention
- Review the existing set of trade documents in use and determine whether these need to be aligned, harmonized and/or simplified



Roles of NTFCs

- > Mauritius NTFC has representation from government and private sector agencies
- Dissemination and adoption of international Best Practices in SW
- Capacity building, awareness generation and stakeholder engagement
- Training Courses developed in collaboration with international organizations like WCO, UN, tailor-made to Mauritian needs with interactive methodology and Technical visits
- NTFC steering establishment & operationalization electronic Single window
 Environment
- ➢ Guided in drafting scope of project. Setting time frame for project delivery
- Identify donors
- > Act as facilitator and coordinator for national, regional and international cooperation



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Legal Requirements

Moving from stand-alone regulations to integrated regulations

Amending the legislation:

≻ to sustain the new streamlined & simplified procedures

➢ for Customs and the other agencies to accept and act on electronic documents

 \succ to allow for sharing of information between different agencies through a single platform

 \triangleright to cater for the replacement of the agency-specific requirements with those of the Single

Window





Integrated Risk Management Policy

1) Identify high risk consignments based on intelligence and risk assessment

2) Shift from documentary and physical checks to targeted checks

3) Facilitation of legitimate trade while maintaining effective control

4) Non-Intrusive Inspection

5) Risk Engine with preset Criteria including selectivity criteria from all trade regulatory

agencies

6) Post Clearance Auditing

7) Database of non compliance



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Engage Government Agencies for refinement of risk criteria

- Regular meetings with Government Agencies
- Encourage sharing of information on discrepancy observed
- Identity trends and patterns
- Report through feedback forms
- Post all information in Customs Intranet for officers
- Update of regulation and procedures posted on the MRA Website
- Agencies to have access to a common database



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Involvement of Private Sector

> The single window environment could be used as a model by the private sector

> The creation of Joint Venture companies with shareholding from representatives of both

the public and private sectors, and mandated by the Government to set up and manage

the Single Window (guarantee commitment and sustainability)

> Build Operate Transfer Model

≻ Rebate on duty and taxes on hard ware and software.

Fiscal incentive





THANK YOU!

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