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3RD REGIONAL WORKSHOP ON SYSTEMS OF TRACEABILITY AND SECURITY FEATURES FOR TOBACCO PRODUCTS

Date: 15 March 2018

Meeting venue: NH Collection Madrid Eurobuilding Hotel, Madrid, Spain

– SUMMARY RECORD –

On Thursday, 15 March, a regional workshop was organised to assist Member States and relevant stakeholders in the application of the secondary legislation on systems of traceability and security features for tobacco products. The workshop was divided into two parts: a closed session for Member States (ES, BE, PT, DE, FR, LU) and a public session for stakeholders with the presence of Member States. The public session was composed of three sub-sessions, each of which was dedicated to a specific stakeholder group (manufacturers/importers, wholesalers/distributors, solution providers). Each Member State was given a maximum of ten seats that could be allocated to interested industry participants from its own country. Both sessions were chaired by DG SANTE.

Morning session with Member States:

DG SANTE gave a presentation to participants on the general operations of the future systems for traceability and security features, including an updated estimated timeline. Furthermore, the main responsibilities of Member States under the secondary legislation were outlined and discussed in the group. Topics discussed were: general timeline, ID issuer (timeline, appointment process and requirements), the possibility of combining unique identifiers (UIs) and security features, UI delivery methods, data protection and general security aspects related to the traceability system, products under duty suspension, duty free zones and security features (composition, verification and

selection). Member States also updated DG SANTE on the general progress made in their countries.

Afternoon session with industry stakeholders:

DG SANTE gave a presentation to all participants on the general operations of the future systems for traceability and security features, including an updated estimated timeline.

In the session dedicated to manufacturers/importers, the following topics were presented by DG SANTE: identifier codes, requirements for unique identifiers (unit and aggregated level), data carriers, primary repository system, recording/transmission of product movements and transaction information, time frame for transmission of information, security features (composition), and the financial aspects of both systems. Discussion points in the Q&A session on the application of the secondary legislation included: implementation timeline, ID issuers, exports, UI delivery methods, basic queries to primary repositories, duration of primary repository data storage contracts, testing period of repository systems and composition of security features.

In the session dedicated to wholesalers/distributors, the following topics were presented by DG SANTE: identifier codes, requirements for unique identifiers (unit and aggregated level), data carriers, recording/transmission of product movements and transaction information, and the time frame for transmission of information. Discussion points in the Q&A session on the application of the secondary legislation included: content and response time of acknowledgment messages, cost-benefit analysis, delivery via vending vans, aggregation of different product types, transloading and delivery of products to ships.

In the session dedicated to solution providers, the following topics were presented by DG SANTE: ID issuer, anti-tampering devices, primary and secondary repositories (selection procedure, appointment, and technical requirements), security features and allowed types of authentication elements. Discussion points in the Q&A session on the application of the secondary legislation included: criteria for selection procedure of the secondary repository, location of data storages, interoperability, content and response time of acknowledgment messages, checks to be carried out before issuing acknowledgment messages.

STAKEHOLDERS

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Country	Organisation
Belgium	VDR
Belgium	CIMABEL
Belgium	FECIBEL – Scandinavian Tobacco Group
Belgium	IBM
Belgium	ATOS – WORLDLINE
Belgium	FETABEL
Belgium	Tabaknatie
Belgium	JTI
Belgium	BAT Belgium
Belgium	ECL (observer)
Belgium	FETAPIS
Belgium	Fetadis
Belgium	COMEOS
Belgium	GS1Belu
Belgium	PMI
France	Philip Morris France
France	SEITA
France	ARSO SOLUTIONS
France	LA POSTE France
France	ATT
France	FFC
France	AFTF
France	JTI
France	SURYS

France	LOGISTA FRANCE
Germany	Bundesverband Deutscher Tabakwaren
Germany	Metro Systems GmbH
Germany	Bundesverband der Zigarrenindustrie e.V.
Germany	GS1 Germany
Germany	Joh. Wilh. von Eicken GmbH
Germany	Lekkerland Deutschland GmbH & Co KG
Germany	Deutscher Zigarettenverband e.V.
Germany	Philipp Morris GmbH
Germany	British American Tobacco Germany
Luxembourg	Heinz Van Landewyck
Luxembourg	NewCo Log
Portugal	Tabaqueira S.A./ PMI PORTUGAL
Portugal	Empresa Madeirense de Tabacos, S.A
Portugal	Federação Portuguesa de Grossistas de Tabaco
Portugal	Independent National Tobacco Group (INTG)
Portugal	Fábrica de Tabaco Micaelense S.A.
Portugal	Imperial Tobacco Portugal
Portugal	JTI Portugal Unipessoal Lda
Portugal	Logista S.A. - Sucursal em Portugal
Portugal	ANFICEC - Associação Nacional dos Fabricantes e Importadores de Charutos e Cigarrilhas
Portugal	BAT
Spain	SERVICE PROVIDER (WORLDLINE, ATOS)
Spain	SICPA
Spain	COMET
Spain	HONEYWELL
Spain	ACIT

Spain	FNMT – RCM
Spain	MESA DEL TABACO - DELTA
Spain	ALTADIS - ITL
Spain	BRITISH AMERICAN TOBACCO
Spain	JAPAN TOBACCO INTERNATIONAL IBERIA
Spain	TABACALERA
Spain	LOGISTA
Spain	PHILIP MORRIS
The Netherlands	Schur Flexibles Benelux (rolling tobacco packaging)
The Netherlands	PMI-Philip Morris International
The Netherlands	TZN - Brancheorganisatie voor tabaks- en zoetwarengroothandel
The Netherlands	USK - Verenigde Fabrikanten van Shag en Sigaretten
The Netherlands	NVS- Nederlandse Vereniging voor de Sigarenindustrie
The Netherlands	GS1 NL

PUBLIC AUTHORITIES

Country	Institution
Belgium	Federal Public Service of Public Health
France	French Customs
Germany	Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture
Germany	Federal Ministry of Finance
Luxembourg	Ministry of Health
Portugal	INCM
Portugal	Taxation and Customs General Directory
Spain	Tax Agency – AEAT
Spain	Canary Islands Government
Spain	Ministry of Finances
European Commission	DG SANTE