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# U.S Midterms and the consequences for Global Trade

Dear Members of the Customs and Trade Community

This week saw the **midterm elections in the United States**. As in previous years, we can expect this to have an impact on global trade policy, potentially affecting many businesses. In this update I discusses **the implications for Europe and the United Kingdom**.

With the addition of **Tornado Cash to the SDN list**, we can see that **virtual currencies** based on Ethereum smart contracts are being used to **launder money** and send billions illegally. We investigate US policy toward virtual currency in the context of sanctions and export controls.

The amendments to the **EU Dual Use Regulations for 2023** are in the works. This update includes the preliminary version of the document as well as a draught non-binding overview of Annex I changes.

The United Kingdom published the **16th version of the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) Regulations 2022.** We list the most important amendments.

The mandatory requirements for issuing **international invoices for customs and global trade** have been published in France. Our English synopsis is attached.

Remember that the main **ODASCE customs conference** will be held at the end of November in Biarritz. We'll be there and would love to meet up with you. In this conference, nearly 500 of us will talk about customs. Will you join us?

Parli Italiano? If you speak Italian or have Italian customers or suppliers, invite them to a free C-Trade expert webinar on exports. Details in this update.

Need a pre-Christmas pick me up? Join us on 9 December 2022 we will host the "**EU Customs Update 2023**" event, a four-hour update on everything that will happen in 2023, including the CN code update, the UCC change proposal, the customs single window law, and the rollout of E-customs declaration changes across Europe, as well as a discussion on ICS Phase 2 and an outlook for Phase 3.

Enjoy the read



Arne Mielken

# **United States**

We looked through the updates of the US Federal Register, CBP, BIS, OFAC and others. Here we present the latest news and important information, predominantly in the area of U.S. Export Controls and Sanctions.

# U.S. Midterms & Free Trade

### What can Europe's businesses expect for the next 2 years?

A commentary on Europe-UK-US trade ties after the US midterm elections.by Arne Mielken, Managing Director of Customs Manager Ltd.

The president of the United States is elected every four years. Nonetheless, the midterm elections occur two years after the presidential election. This indicates that the members of Congress and the Senate were recently elected. In the US midterm elections held in November 2022, by the time of writing this, it is possible that the Republican Party will gain control of the House of Representatives, possibly the Senate, too. This may have significant ramifications for future U.S. trade policies and might impact European companies' access to American markets.

Let's examine some recent events:

Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership: A Lost Opportunity (TTIP)

In 2014, after Barack Obama lost the election to a Republican majority, the EU-US Free Trade Agreement could not advance.

The purpose of the U.S.-EU free trade agreement was to reduce the cost of commerce between EU and U.S. companies, therefore strengthening the economies of both areas. EU and the United States had the largest bilateral trade relationship in the world at the time, accounting for about one-third of global trade. In 2017, the annual value of transatlantic commerce in goods and services was close to \$1 trillion.

Before the 2014 midterm elections, the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP) made quick progress despite considerable obstacles. After the Republicans took control of the House, there was no longer the will to implement the agreement. Economic facilitation between Europe and the United States ceased to be a priority overnight. Since then, companies have had to bear ongoing customs fees and border friction. The project was abandoned and never restarted. The most crucial opportunity for transatlantic free trade - lost!

### Northern Ireland Arrangements destroy the United Kingdom-United States Free Trade Agreement

In the United States, the 2018 midterm elections yielded a Democratic House majority. The thenpresident, a Brexit proponent, had promised the then-prime minister of the United Kingdom, Boris Johnson, a rapid and comprehensive trade agreement with the United States. However, the election of the Democrats precluded the signing of the US-UK Free Trade Agreement until the Northern Ireland problem was settled, which has never occurred to this day.

The EU and the United Kingdom have battled for years on how to handle Northern Ireland most effectively. The United Kingdom was dissatisfied with the legal agreement reached between the United Kingdom and the European Union and wanted a comprehensive renegotiation, which the EU rejected. As the United States is a guarantor of a fragile peace accord in Northern Ireland, the Democratic majority of the House of Representatives placed as a condition for a trade pact a stable EU-UK agreement that would guarantee Northern Ireland's peace. Due to the absence of a mutually acceptable EU-UK deal on Northern Ireland, there is now no trade agreement between the EU and the United States.

# What is the future of Europe-U.S. relations? Relations commerciales après the midterm elections of 2022?

The Republican Party has always opposed trade facilitation for foreign market access to the United States. Republicans feel that other countries take advantage of the existing ease of entry to the American market. Republicans usually mention China as an example. They feel that the Chinese had significant access to U.S. technology, creativity, and know-how, which contributed to the country's rise. China is now viewed as a serious geopolitical competitor. According to the Republican viewpoint, free market policies have contributed to this growth. Therefore, they want less rather than more free trade.

Need greater evidence? In the recent past, during the far-right government of President Trump, relations between the EU and the US were so terrible that both sides placed 25% additional tariffs on the exports of the other. This impeded commerce between the European Union and the United States.

### **Conclusion**

After the midterm elections, it is doubtful that the relationship between the European Union, the United Kingdom, and the United States would undergo substantial revisions or policies designed to facilitate trade for EU or UK businesses. Given growing inflation, the cost of living, the energy crisis, the conflict in Ukraine, internal and foreign terrorism, and dangers to American democracy itself, neither the European Union nor the United Kingdom will be a priority for the president of the United States. In reality, the emphasis of the next two years may be summed up by the adage, "after the election is before the election."

God bless America, as well as us! Without or with a free trade agreement.

### **U.S.** Customs

### Using ACE and AESDirect to File Your EEI

The U.S. Census Bureau mandates exporters to provide Electronic Export Information (EEI) on shipments to the majority of overseas destinations with a value of \$2,500 or more, per Schedule B code. The Automated Commercial Environment (ACE) site, which is managed by U.S. Customs and Border Protection, is where exporters must submit this information (CBP).

In our report to subscribers and current clients, we cover:

- Who must submit an EEI?
- What exactly is the difference between ACE and AES?
- What types of shipments need an EEI filing?
- When is the EEI to be filed?
- What to do if you need to learn about AES Filing?

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# **U.S. Export Controls**

#### Export violations of U.S. telecommunications equipment

BIS last week issued an Administrative Charging Letter against Mohammad Alhamra and WEBS Electronics Trading Company LLC (WEBS). The Charging Letter alleges export violations of U.S. telecommunications equipment and related commodities to Syria and Iran, as well as misrepresentations and concealment of facts to BIS officials. Export controls on Syria and Iran are among the strictest because their governments support terrorism, abuse human rights, and destabilise regional security. According to the Charging Letter, OEE launched an investigation after a BIS Export Control Officer (ECO) learned that WEBS and its owner, Mohammad Alhamra, were reexporting U.S.-origin items from the UAE to Syria and conducted end-use checks. Routers, gateways, serial device servers, networkable door controllers, server racks, interface cards, and IP phones are included. Alhamra and WEBS reexported items from the UAE to Syria and Iran 11 times without the required BIS licences. Alhamra misled the ECO about reexports to Syria. The Charging Letter lists 14 Alhamra and WEBS violations. Administrative monetary penalties can reach \$330,947 per violation or twice the transaction value under the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 (50 U.S.C. 4801-4852). Here's the full Charging Letter.

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# U.S. Sanctions

### **Russia-related General License 53**

The Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) is issuing Russia-related General License 53 "Authorizing Transactions for Diplomatic Missions of the Russian Federation Prohibited by Directive 4 under Executive Order 14024", + one Russia-related Frequently Asked Question (1096). Link

#### Issuance of Russia-related General License 8D

The Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) is issuing Russia-related General License 8D, "Authorizing Transactions Related to Energy." Link

#### Many Dutch citizens & businesses involved in the hemp trade get added to the U.S. SDN list

Dutch citizens and entities have been added to the Counter Terrorism Designations; Counter Narcotics Designations SDN list. Many web pages and Digital CurrencyAddressess – XBT have also been published. Websites of concern for illicit drugs trade mentioned by OFAC include smokeyschemsite.com & gr8researchchemicals-eu.com

The following entities have been added to OFAC's SDN List:

- A.A.M. PEIJNENBURG HOLDING B.V.,
- BELLIZO www.bellizo.nl;
- BEST SPORT COMPANY B.V, BEST SPORT COMPANY, Website www.bodylab.company;
- ERJM LIMITED www.erjmltd.com;
- GREEN DISTRICT B.V. (f.k.a. RESEARCH GROUP NEDERLAND B.V) www.researchgroupnederland.com;; Linked To: ORGANIC DISTRICT B.V.).
- KING TRADE B.V.,
- NATURAL GIFTS B.V., Website www.cbde-liquids.co.uk;
- ORGANIC DISTRICT B.V.

### South Africans get listed on the SDN

Individuals from South Africa have been added to OFAC's SDN List. Some are linked to the Islamic State of Iraq / Levant Islamic State of Iraq and Syria / Arabic acronym Daesh. The South African

Securities and Exchange Commission (Safar) has published the details of companies that may be subject to sanctions and they have been added to the US list, too. Link

#### Tornado Cash virtual currency mixing launders \$96 million and ends up on the SDN

OFAC took Tornado Cash off the SDN list and put it back on because it helped DPRK WMD activities. In short, Tornado Cash mixes different virtual currencies by using smart contracts on Ethereum. Smart contracts are a type of computer code that Tornado Cash uses to set up its governance structure, offer mixing services, give users financial incentives, and grow its user base. Smart contracts have been used to hide where funds from cyber heists, like the Lazarus Group funds stolen in March 2022, came from. Using Tornado Cash smart contracts, cybercriminals cleaned \$96 million from the Harmony Bridge Heist on June 24, 2022, and \$7.8 million from the Nomad Heist on August 2, 2022.

Lazarus Group, which is involved with the DPRK hid where the money from a cyber heist came from by using Tornado Cash smart contracts. Under E.O. 13722, OFAC is punishing Tornado Cash for helping, sponsoring, or giving financial, material, or technological support to the DPRK Government, a person whose property and property interests are blocked by E.O. 13722. OFAC is also reclassifying Tornado Cash under E.O. 13694, as amended because it has helped, sponsored, or given financial, material, or technological support to a cyber-enabled activity that started or was led, in whole or in large part, by people outside the U.S. and that is likely to pose a significant threat to national security or has materially contributed to it.

As a result of these actions, all property and interests in property of the individuals and entity designated must be blocked and reported to OFAC. OFAC's regulations prohibit all U.S. dealings (including transiting transactions) involving blocked or designated persons' property or interests in property. Don't forget that persons who transact with those designated may also be designated. Any foreign financial institution that knowingly facilitates a significant transaction or provides significant financial services for anyone on the list could face U.S. correspondent or payable-through account sanctions.

OFAC's power and integrity come from its ability to add and remove people from the Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons (SDN) List. Sanctions aim to change behaviour, not punish. FAQ 897 explains how to be removed from an OFAC list, including the SDN List. OFAC's website explains how to request removal from a sanctions list. OFAC's FAQs 1076–1079 and FAQ 1095 provide more information about Tornado Cash sanctions. Link

Subscribers and current clients will find attached:

- US OFAC Virtual Currency Guidance Brochure
- US Virtual Currency FAQ by OFAC

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provide a low-priced on-going sanctions screening service to make sure you never break the rules, aid in closing down operations in countries subject to sanctions, and crisis management services associated with staying in compliance.

# **European Union**

We looked through the following updates of the European Union as published in the Official Journal of the EU.

11/11/2022	<u>L292</u>	<u>C429 C429I C430</u>
10/11/2022	<u>L289 L290 L291</u>	<u>C428</u> <u>C428A</u>
09/11/2022	<u>L288</u>	<u>C426 C427</u>
08/11/2022	L286 L286I L287	<u>C425</u>
07/11/2022	<u>L285</u>	<u>C423 C423A C424</u>
04/11/2022	<u>L284</u>	<u>C421</u> <u>C422</u>

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.

# **EU Export Controls**

### Update of the Annexes of the EU Dual-Use Regulation

With the Delegated Regulation of October 21, 2022, the EU Commission initiated the update of Annex I of Regulation (EU) No. 2021/821 (EU Dual Use Regulation). This Delegated Regulation is expected to come into force at the beginning of January 2023. Goods that are covered by Annex I of

Regulation (EU) 2021/821 ("EU Dual-Use Regulation") in the current version require a permit. In addition, export restrictions may arise

- the Anti-Torture regulations
- Embargo regulations (e.g. Iran, North Korea or Russia)
- the firearms laws (national)
- the use (e.g. in connection with conventional weapons or weapons of mass destruction)

Subscribers and current clients will find attached:

- · The preliminary version of the document
- the draft non-binding overview of the changes in the forthcoming Annex I

When it comes to export restrictions, our service provides prompt, comprehensive, and industryspecific information at all times for the EU. We advise on the EU Dual Use Regulation and the national controls fo the EU Member States. We perform export control classification services, EUGEA and national licence applications, assessments related to end-use and end-user requiorements as per EU legistion. We assist you in designing your ICP and set up an efficient and effective export control managemeny system. We evaluate if you transactions requires a licence or not and offer an on-going continuous screening service against ever-changing export controls. We offer EU control training as well in four EU languages.

### Sanctions

#### Sanctions against Myanmar/Burma extended

The European Council decided to amend Regulation (EU) No 401/2013 on Myanmar/Burma sanctions. The Union opposes torture, sexual and gender-based abuse, and the persecution of civil society and human rights advocates. A few of the tnewlynew sanctioned entities are:

- The entire State Administration Council (SAC) is now listed. It was formed on 2 February 2021 after a military coup in Myanmar/Burma.
- Kan Zaw (a.k.a. Dr Kan Zaw) is the Minister for Investment and Foreign Economic Relations. He is part of the military government that toppled lawfully elected authorities in Myanmar/Burma.
- Swe Sew Aung is the Prosecution Department's, Director General. The Prosecution Department, under Swe Sew Aung's leadership, has been involved in several judicial cases against democratically elected leaders and opposition figures that were conducted in violation of the right to defence and the right to a fair trial, including the proceedings leading to the execution of four pro-democracy figures. Therefore, in her capacity as Director-General of the Prosecution Department, Swe Swe Aung is engaged in activities that undermine democracy and the rule of law in Myanmar/Burma.
- Myanmar/Burma prisons are managed by Zaw Min. His jails have been violent, brutal, and inhumane to prisoners.

- Under U Than Swe's leadership, the Anti-Corruption Commission legitimised the coup. Its participation in cases against democratically elected leaders, like Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, undermines democracy and the rule of law.
- Lt. Gen. Phone Myat is the commander of BSO 3 of the Tatmadaw since April 2021. Under his direction, military troops perpetrated human rights abuses, crimes, and atrocities, including executions, ground and air strikes on people, and massacres.
- Thet Pon commands BSO 5 of the Myanmar Armed Forces (Tatmadaw). As BSO 5 Commander, he oversees the military and military tribunals in Yangon.
- General Than Htike is responsible for human rights atrocities, undermining democracy and the rule of law in Myanmar/Burma.
- Major General Nyunt Win Swe is the Yangon Region Commander of the Tatmadaw since 2020.
- Nyunt Win Swe is responsible for human rights crimes and actions undermining Myanmar's democracy and rule of law. His Htoo Group of Companies is linked to the Tatmadaw leadership.
- Naing Htut Aung is an importer and dealer for the Myanmar military.

### Sanctions against Mail amended

The United Nations Security Council (UNSC) Committee, which was set up by UNSC Resolution 2374 (2017), updated the information about three people who were subject to restrictive measures on October 5, 2022. So, Annex I of Regulation (EU) 2017/1770 should be changed to reflect this.

- <u>Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/2179 of 8 November 2022 implementing</u> Regulation (EU) 2017/1770 concerning restrictive measures given the situation in Mali
- Council Implementing Decision (CFSP) 2022/2187 of 8 November 2022 implementing Decision (CFSP) 2017/1775 concerning restrictive measures given the situation in Mali

### Sanctions against North Korea amended

The UNSC Committee, which was set up by UNSC Resolution 1718 (2006), updated the information about two entities that are subject to restrictive measures. This Regulation (EU) 2017/1509 should be changed to reflect this, and it will become law on September 14, 2022. Singwang Economics and Trading General Corporation is a DPRK firm for trading coal. DPRK generates a significant share of the money for its nuclear and ballistic missile programmes by mining natural resources and selling those resources abroad. Weihai World-Shipping Freight, 419-201, Tongyi Lu, Huancui Qu, Weihai, Shandong 264200, China; IMO number: 5905801- Ship and commercial manager of the XIN GUANG HAI, a vessel that on loaded coal at Taean, DPRK, on 27 October 2017 and had an ETA of 14 November 2017 to Cam Pha, Vietnam, but it did not arrive.'

- <u>Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/2180 of 8 November 2022 implementing</u> <u>Regulation (EU) 2017/1509 concerning restrictive measures against the Democratic People's</u> <u>Republic of Korea</u> <u>Council Implementing Decision (CFSP) 2022/2188 of 8 November 2022 implementing Decision (CFSP) 2016/849 concerning restrictive measures against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea</u>

### Sanctions against Turkey prolonged

The EU has decided that sanctions against Turkey's unauthorised drilling in the Eastern Mediterranean should continue until November 12, 2023.

- <u>Council Decision (CFSP) 2022/2186 of 8 November 2022 amending Decision (CFSP)</u> 2019/1894 concerning restrictive measures given Turkey's unauthorised drilling activities in the Eastern Mediterranean

### Sanctions against Venezuela prolonged

In light of Venezuela's ongoing political, economic, social, and humanitarian crisis, the European Council has extended the restrictive measures. The restrictive measures against all persons in the list set out in the regulation should be maintained, and the statement of reasons for 17 persons should be updated.

Some of the entries and their reasons for inclusion:

- Omar José Prieto Fernández actively promoted the non-democratic National Assembly elections on December 6, 2020.
- In her capacity as a Supreme Court justice, Lourdes Benicia SUREZ ANDERSON has undermined democracy and the rule of law.
- Indira Maira Alfonzo Izaguirre has been held accountable for actions that have usurped the National Assembly's constitutional powers and undermined the opposition's electoral rights. She has supported and facilitated the executive branch's undermining of democracy and the rule of law. She is responsible for the actions taken against the then-newly elected National Assembly in December 2015 as a member of the Supreme Court's Electoral Chamber.
- Tania d'Amelio Cardiet contributed directly to the undermining of democracy and the rule of law in Venezuela, including by preparing the non-democratic 2020 National Assembly elections, as Vice-President of the CNE and President of the Political Participation and Financing Commission on 7 August 2020 by the Supreme Court (Tribunal Supremo de Justicia (TSJ).
- <u>Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/2194 of 10 November 2022 implementing</u> Regulation (EU) 2017/2063 concerning restrictive measures given the situation in Venezuela
- <u>Council Decision (CFSP) 2022/2201 of 10 November 2022 amending Decision</u> (CFSP) 2017/2074 concerning restrictive measures given the situation in Venezuela

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# **Biosecurity / Veterinary Controls**

### Letter by UK on SPS questions for clarification

In the attachment, you will find answers to questions by the UK on EU SPS measures, released by DG Sante. We cover:

- Equine Infectious Anaemia (EIA) testing timeframe requirement for equine embryos/oocytes exports
- EHC requirement for filled gelatine capsules of non-ruminant origin
- · Transport of fishery products in water and ice
- Residue monitoring requirements for molluscs
- EU-origin meat in GB-manufactured meat preparations and products

### Subscribers and current clients will find attached:

Note with answers to questions by the UK on EU SPS measures

### Bird Flu: Protection zones in the concerned EU Member States revised

Highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) is an infectious viral disease in birds and may have a severe impact on the profitability of poultry farming. HPAI viruses can infect migratory birds, which can then spread these viruses over long distances during their autumn and spring migrations. Further outbreaks of HPAI in poultry or captive birds in Belgium, Germany, France, Italy and the Netherlands have been reported to the European Commission. The Commission has examined the situation in Belgium where an outbreak was confirmed near the border with the Netherlands. Belgium, Bulgaria, Germany, France, Italy, the Netherlands, Belgium and the Netherlands are working together to rapidly describe protection and surveillance zones for HPAI to avoid unjustified barriers to trade being imposed by third countries. The Annex to implementing Decision (EU) 2021/641 has been amended to update regionalisation at the Union level. Link

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# France

#### **Electronic Invoicing is coming**

Ordinance No. 2021-1190, published on September 16, 2021, organizes the "generalization of electronic invoicing" between French companies subject to VAT and the transmission of transaction data to tax authorities. This system, which will be gradually implemented until 2026 and is expected to result in a simplification gain of 4.5 billion euros for more than 4 million businesses, will evolve.

In our exclusive 6-page report to subscribers and current clients, we cover:

- What is an electronic invoice in France?
- Objectives and advantages of the dematerialization of invoices
- What are the rules regarding the form of the invoice?
- Invoices: what are the mandatory details?
- And more

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# **United Kingdom**

We looked through the updates on <u>www.legislation.co.uk</u>, and the updates to the GOV.uk website and drew information from various websites and subscriptions. This brings all the key updates for customs declarations, duties and tariffs (import and export), Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation, Export health certificates, Biosecurity, the Border and Trade, UK Cabinet Office Information, JCCC and DEFRA updates (as far as public), HM Revenue & Customs, Trade and investment updates published on gov.UK. and the updates from the UK Mission to the WTO. Are we missing something? Let us know.

### UK Cabinet Border Bulletin 11 November 2022

This bulletin provides the latest news from the Government relating to UK borders.

Subscribers and current clients will find attached:

UK Cabinet Border Bulletin

# CDS

#### CDS – where we are – a commentary by Arne Mielken

If you are involved in import or export, you may have heard that the CHIEF customs system has been replaced by the CDS system.

#### In what ways will this affect you and your company?

Customs Declaration Service is intended to be abbreviated as "CDS." This is the brand-new customs declaration platform, and according to HMRC, it is unified, current, and agile. It went into effect across the United Kingdom in October 2022.

Using CDS, businesses can submit declarations for both imports and exports. The CHIEF system is now obsolete and cannot be employed.

This change from CDS to CHIEF is the most significant modification to customs operations and procedures in over three decades! It affects everyone required to submit a customs declaration in the United Kingdom, including customs agents, freight forwarders, fast parcel operators, and self-filing businesses.

### Tell me then, what is it like to utilise CDS?

It is possible to compare filing a customs declaration to filing a tax return; however, rather than doing it once a year, you must fill out the majority of the 91 CDS data elements every time you import or export goods, which can be a logistical hassle.

### What is the difficulty with CDS?

The fact that the data requirements vary based on the type of declaration you intend to file and what you intend to do with the goods after they enter or leave the United Kingdom presents a challenge. The difficulty arises from the fact that certain data elements are required while others are optional. To make matters worse, the requirements for some data elements change midway through the completion of the CDS document.

### A difficult start

The transition to CDS has not been devoid of difficulties. Businesses have indicated that they are having trouble adjusting to the new system; as a result, some of them have been forced to delay the implementation of the new system by one month to iron out the kinks.

### Despite everything, it's a remarkable accomplishment

Since October 2022, however, thousands of businesses have successfully transitioned to CDS and have been able to keep Brian's goods moving in and out of the country despite CDS' initial problems. To modify this system, businesses were required to make substantial financial and time commitments. Ultimately, the HMRC joined forces with other software companies, businesses, and training providers to implement this change. We are well prepared for whatever the future may bring because we now have such an advanced customs declaration system. With a modern custom filing system, CDS, British businesses can now grow into global enterprises and sell their products in every country.

### **Consolidates list of CDS changes**

- The goods covered by Additional Procedure Code 63T in Data Element (DE) 1/11 for Customs Clearance Requests (CCR) C21i have been extended to include Postal Transit – under UPU (Universal Postal Union) convention.
- Data Element 2/3 (Appendix 5A): Completion instructions for document codes N002 and N851 have been amended to reflect the differences depending on whether the prenotification was done using PEACH or IPAFFS. The document status codes for these document codes have also been updated. Document code Y946 has also been amended to show that it can be used on both import and export declarations. Document code 9UKR has been removed, as it is no longer in use.
- If you submitted a declaration using the Customs Declaration Service and need to send supporting documents or respond to HMRC queries, you can send HMRC more than 10 documents but these must be split up and submitted in groups of no more than 10.

- The goods location code for Peterhead has been amended.
- A facility for Portrack Seafreight Ltd has been re-listed in its capacity as a wharf.

**CDS Support Services:** Customs Manager Ltd. offers CDS Customs Declaration Training and files customs declarations using CDS to all ports in the UK with our cooperation partners. Please get in touch if you require support with CDS

We also provide a **free knowledge base resource** to help you get started in using CDS: CDS YouTube explainer videos, FAQ on CDS, Official CDS Guidance from HMRC, CDS Sample Declarations and know error walk around CDS Error Codes Guide. <u>https://www.customsmanager.org/cds-uk-customs-declaration-service</u>

# UK Customs Classification

### Protective charging case covers for wireless headphones

Check the tariff classification for protective charging case covers for wireless headphones. Link

Our **Customs Classification Support Services** assist importers in securing the lowest duty rates possible. Support includes binding tariff information/advanced tariff ruling, customs classification training, and individual/mass importation classification determinations.

➔ Hear from classification experts Mike Bing and Arne Mielken as they discuss customs classification. Access an FAQ on Harmonized System Codes. If you asked us questions on HS classification, you can find our answers here: <u>https://www.customsmanager.org/harmonized-system-code</u>

# **UK Biosecurity / Veterinary Controls**

#### Changes to Import of Products, Animals, Food and Feed Service (IPAFFS)

There will be times when it will be necessary to inform or alert businesses of important events or occurrences. The new service messaging feature will be a method of achieving this. The new service messaging boxes will appear at the top of the dashboard. The boxes will either have a blue outline titled "Information" or a yellow outline titled "Alert". The change will take effect on the 10th of November 2022.

What is affected?

	Live animals	Products of animal origins	High risk food and feed of non-animal origin	Plants, plant products and other objects
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Notification type:	1	$\checkmark$	6	Z

Each change will have its own affected scope.

There are four changes:

- Change 1: Service Messaging
- Change 2: Rewording of "certificate" to "notification".
- Change 3: Searching functionality on dashboards for commodity and the microchip number.
- Change 4: Message for cats, dogs and ferrets arriving from Poland and Romania.

You may see changes in the dashboard(s) and other areas of IPAFFS. You may also wish to make use of the new searching functionality. Information on each of the changes will be detailed later.

These changes apply to all import types: "Live animals"; "Products of animal origin (POAO)"; "Highrisk food and feed of non-animal origin (HRFNAO)"; "Plants, plant products and other objects". Please click <u>here</u> to view how the changes will apply.

### Bird flu Update

All poultry and captive birds must now be housed until further notice. All bird keepers must now house their birds until further notice to keep their birds safe from avian influenza. Link

Grow your business with our **Veterinary Import Control Support Service.** We offer analysis and support for all POAO & HRFNAO products, as well as EHC requirements determination. Our team can also support you with IPAFFS and TRACES filing and CHEDs filings to make sure your SPS compliance is up-to-date. To top it off we also offer SPS training for EU, US and UK.

# UK AEO

#### Updated AEO List

Use this list to see if a business holds Authorised Economic Operator status with HMRC.

**Our AEO Support Services** to assist you with achieving AEO status, such as reviewing your current customs processes and helping you with documenting processes for an AEO application. Our consultants can also assist with assessment and audit support whilst offering training courses for AEO.

# **UK Excise**

#### Submit returns for Climate Change Levy

If you're an electricity producer or energy supplier, find out how and when to send HMRC your returns. Guidance updated as HMRC no longer sends out Climate Change Levy return forms. You must download the form and print it. The address to send your form to has changed to HMRC TAPS & CCL, BX9 1XL. Temporary measures and references to coronavirus (COVID-19) have been removed from this guidance. Link

Our **Excise Support Services** provide our clients with professional advice and consultancy on all aspects of excise activities, including the management of EMCS, Excise Duty assessments and compliance, excise warehouse accreditation and audit requirements, EMCS application and management as well as comprehensive excise training.

# UK VAT

#### Late VAT submission, payment, and interest charges

HMRC will change penalties for late VAT returns and payments on 1 January 2023 and replaces the default surcharge with separate late VAT return and payment penalties in 2023. The new pointsbased system for late submissions should be tolerant of occasional slip-ups while penalising repeat offenders. Late submissions (including null or repayment returns) could cost £200 and penalty points. Payback interest will replace HMRC's repayment supplement. Customers who request a repayment will receive interest from the due date or submission date (whichever is later) until the payback is made.

#### Late VAT returns Videos

You can watch a short video about how penalties are changing for late VAT returns on HMRC's YouTube channel, here.

Customs Manager's **VAT Support Services** are designed to help businesses of any size sell into EU member states, from either within or outside the EU or UK, while simplifying compliance and staying up to date on the rapidly changing rules. Our import VAT support services are designed to help businesses make sure they're compliant with EU and UK regulations. We offer a range of services including PIVA analysis, VAT training, and VAT compliance assistance.

### **UK Trade Agreements**

#### UK/Israel FTA: Cumulation between UK/Isreal/Switzerland and EFTA States fulfilled

The Trade and Partnership Aareement signed on 18 February 2019 between the governments of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the government of the State of Israel ("the UK/Israel Agreement") provides for origin cumulation with certain mutual trading partners. To reflect revisions to

Free trade agreement	Date of update of rules of origin	
Trade Agreement between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Swiss Confederation, signed on 11 February 2019	I September 2021	
Free Trade Agreement between Iceland, the Principality of Liechtenstein and the Kingdom of Norway and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland signed on 8 July 2021	1 December 2021 for Norway, 1 September 2022 for Iceland	

the Regional Convention on Pan-Euro-Mediterranean Preferential Rules of Origin, the United Kingdom has updated the rules of origin. The notice certifies that the requirements under the UK/Israel Agreement for cumulation of origin to apply using the <u>updated origin rules</u> have been met. <u>Link</u>

Our **Origin & Preferential Trade Support Services** include advice and interpretation of cumulation and application of all Rules of Origin, advice and interpretation of all Free Trade Agreements worldwide, and setting up an effective origin management service that allows you to save the maximum amount of customs duty. We offer support in obtaining certificates of origin, statements on origin, REX and verifying importers' knowledge for your business/customers.

### **UK Export Controls**

#### Open general export licences (OGELs)

Use an OGEL to export controlled dual-use or military goods, software and technology overseas. General trade licence Russia sanctions – financial services and funds related to fertilisers have been added to the collection. Link

Our **UK Export Control Support Service**: We advise on all matter export control compliance. We assist with export control classification determinations following the UK lexport control laws and carry out statgic analysis of export control requirements for destination, end-use and end-user controls. We advise on and apply for OGELS, SIELs and other licences and design export control complianct processes and procedures. We carry out export control audits, help design effective ICPs and train extensively on UK Export Controls.

### **UK Sanctions**

#### The Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 16) Regulations 2022

The new amendment moves the date for the prohibition of all trade in oil and oil products from December 31, 2022, to December 5, 2022. It contains new rules regarding the sale and shipment of oil and oil products by ship. It is also illegal to provide related or auxiliary services, subject to some exceptions. There are Treasury licences that allow oil and oil products to be shipped by sea despite the new rules. No trade licences will be issued for the new restrictions. Companies will have to provide the Treasury with specific information about the new rules. The Customs and Excise Management Act of 1979 can be used to investigate and prosecute violations of Regulation 67 of the 2019 Regulations involving the new bans. The amendment specifies where crimes related to the new rules occur, there can be a prosecution. Link to Law

### 44 entries amended on the UK Consolidated list

44 entries have been amended under the <u>Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Global Human</u> <u>Rights, Myanmar</u> and <u>Russia</u> financial sanctions regimes. On 11 November 2022 the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office updated the <u>UK Sanctions List</u> on <u>GOV.UK</u>. This list provides details of those designated under regulations made under the Sanctions Act. 1 entry has been amended under the DPRK regime; 4 entries have been amended and 2 entries corrected under the Global Human Rights regime; 36 entries have been amended under the Myanmar regime, and 1 entry has been amended under the Russian regime. These entries remain subject to an asset freeze.

The relevant notices can be found on the respective regime pages.

OFSI's consolidated list of asset freeze targets has been updated to reflect these changes.

### OFSI has published its Annual Review for 2021-22

In light of the role OFSI has played in the UK's response to the Russian invasion of Ukraine, we have included additional reporting on data from 24 February to 24 August 2022 (the first 6 months of the war) as well as reporting data from the financial year 2021 to 2022. OFSI's Annual Review includes sections on

- Engagement
- Changes to the Consolidated List
- Frozen Asset Review
- Licensing
- Counter-Terrorism sanctions
- Enforcement

To see OFSI's Annual Review 2021 to 2022

### Guidance on the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 changes

Guidance updated to clarify the application of the prohibition on providing financial services and funds relating to restricted goods and G7 dependency and further goods. Link

### General trade licence Russia sanctions - fertilisers

Licence relating to the provision of certain financial services to a person connected with Russia for the supply or delivery of fertiliser goods. Link

### **UK Consolidated Sanctions List**

Download the current consolidated list of asset freeze targets and a list of persons named about financial and investment restrictions under Russian regulations.

<u>Guide</u> <u>Search the consolidated list of financial sanctions targets</u> <u>Complete List</u>

**UK Sanctions Support Serivces:** We can provide you with the highest level of support services for your sanctions compliance. Our senior team are experienced in advising and interpreting UK sanctions, licence applications, due diligence and also undertaking general sanctions compliance reviews.

# ADD-CVD

#### Anti-dumping duty on hot-rolled iron and steel bars and rods in coils from China

Trade remedies notice published by the Secretary of State for International Trade relating to the anti-dumping duty on hot-rolled iron and steel bars and rods in coils from China. Link

#### Countervailing duty on biodiesel from Canada and USA

Addition of trade remedies notices 2022/08 and 2022/09: an anti-dumping tariff on US-made biodiesel (including Canadian biodiesel), superseding taxation notice 2020/04. EU levied countervailing duty on Canadian and American biodiesel for the UK and other members. The UK extended the countervailing duty after the transition period. Link

Addition of trade remedies notices 2022/09: a countervailing duty on biodiesel products originating in the United States of America (including biodiesel consigned from Canada) which supersedes taxation notice 2020/05.

**UK ADD/CVD Support Services:** We advise on ADD/CVD duty charges, and carry out third party risk assessment on ADD/CVD. We assist in lodging a case with the UK Trade Remedy Authority.

# WTO

#### WTR 2022: Trade and climate change

Climate change affects people worldwide. Climate change mitigation and adaptation require major economic investment and coordinated action to transition to a low-carbon economy. The 2022 World Trade Report explores how international trade and trade rules can help address climate change. Trade can help reduce emissions by making environmental goods, services, and technologies more available and affordable. International trade helps countries adapt to climate change and build resilience. Trade and climate change policies must be coordinated globally and transparently. The WTO helps countries combat climate change by maintaining a predictable trading environment based on WTO rules that enable international trade in goods and services needed to cope with climate change. WTO cooperation could strengthen trade and climate change policies' mutual support. The World Trade Report 2022 explores the multifaceted relationship between international trade and climate change. Climate change threatens people, ecosystems, and the global economy. Trade generates emissions from production and transport, but trade and trade policies can accelerate the spread of cutting-edge technologies and best practices and boost incentives for climate change innovation.

Subscribers and current clients will find attached:

• WTR2022: Trade and climate change

Our **Global Trade Support Services** include: global supply chain optimisation review, global trade risk compliance, operating model viability assessment and assessment of the impact of WTO and Trade Policy on your business. We can also analyse geopolitical and regulatory conditions, provide training and education programmes, or advise on best practice.

# **Endangered Species - CITES**

### Wood you know the difference? The CITES timber identification repository goes live!

CITES governs many timber trades. Thousands of cargoes are always in transit, and if they include CITES-listed species, they require export and import licences. When they reach a border, a customs official must identify the species being carried to ensure it's legal. There are similar-looking species, one of which is endangered and requires permission while the other isn't. The CITES Secretariat has always helped authorities with species identification, and the newest tool is the web-based CITES Repository on Timber Identification. The repository currently contains close to 100 materials important to identifying CITES-listed tree species. As Parties utilise it, their input and experiences will polish and improve it. The repository also helps find CITES-approved forensic labs for identifying tree species. Here

# Attachments in this Update (subscribers & clients only)

US - OFAC Virtual Currency Guidance Brochure US - Virtual Currency FAQ by OFAC EU Draft Dual Use Regulation for 2023 Annex I of EU Dual Use Regulation modified for 2023 The draft non-binding overview of the changes in the forthcoming Annex I Note with answers to questions by the UK on EU SPS measures Report on Invoice Requirements in France from 2024 UK Cabinet Border Bulletin CDS Known Error Walksarounds Spreadsheet WTR2022: Trade and climate change

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- Import/export customs duties
- Investigations and customs classification
- Origin rules and duty benefits in FTAs
- Customs valuation and transfer pricing
- Controlling exports
- Customs duties and contracts
- Import/export compliance
- Warehouses and FTZs
- Antidumping, countervailing duties

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### Internships - Need a trainee in international trade?

We find internships for customs and global trade students from Europe and from around the world. At present we have a large range of students that have just completed courses in international trade, global marketing and business. They are highly motivated and would be an asset to any company. If you are interested in taking a student for a couple of months as a trainee, please reach out. Email info@customsmanager.org

# **Events**

Here is a selection of events are attending or are excited about. Do you have an event you would like us to mention here? Get in touch at <u>info@customsmanager.org</u>

18.11.2022: Free Webinar "Exporting Tomorrow - How Customs of the Future will Impact the Supply Chain" (In Italian)



Promoting Italy's economic growth by facilitating the circulation of goods in international trade is the objective of the statute of the Customs and Monopoly Agency. And, to respond to the great historical-economic changes, companies and institutions are taking more forward-looking measures, the most common of which are e-commerce, e-communication and planning.

In this context, customs compliance, understood as a systematic and structured fulfilment of communication and preventive cooperation for the correct application of the related customs and tax provisions, represents an added value.

In the webinar organized in collaboration with Exportiamo., our experts, Lucia lannuzzi and Paolo Massari from <u>C-Trade</u>, will explain in detail what the changes taking place and how they will impact the supply chain, shipments and logistics of companies that have international projects.

### The webinar is free. Register here

# 23-24.11.2022: ODASCE Customs Conference, Biarritz, France

"If you want to construct a boat, don't collect your men and women to give them commands, explain every detail, and show them where to go for everything... If you want to construct a boat, instil a love of the sea in the minds of your men and women." Saint-Exupéry, Antoine



France's key customs conference takes place from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> November 2022 in the South of France. The agenda is most impressive:

### 1) INSTITUTIONAL VISION AND AGENDA FOR CUSTOMS 2030, OBJECTIVES FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT DIGITALIZATION RISK MANAGEMENT

What is the WCO's, European Commission's, and French Customs' vision for the 2030 horizon? The objectives have been outlined in terms of sustainable development, interchange digitalization, and border and risk management. The consequences will be both regulatory and operational.

What substantial changes are predicted, and what are the agendas?

- 2) THE COMPANY IN THE INTERNATIONAL CONTEXT OF ECONOMIC WARS IN 2022, COVID 19, SANCTIONS & BREXIT
- What is the first appraisal after the past three years of challenges?
- What are the implications for the organisation, operations, materials, and strategy?
- What can be learned from this?
- Are businesses prepared to face the difficulties that lie ahead?

# 3) REGULATION IN THE DIGITALIZATION AGE – MULTI-ANNUAL STRATEGIC PLAN CUSTOMS UNION CUSTOMS CODE 2.0

The Union Customs Code (UCC) develops a standardised and computerised customs environment by December 31, 2025, providing dependable firms with access to facilitations. The agenda is established by the Multiannual Strategic Plan (MASP) and its 17 IT projects aimed at ensuring the interoperability of all IT systems and access to all sorts of customs-clearing schemes. The European Commission has completed a regulatory and application examination of the UCC halfway through. What is the return on investment for corporations after six years of UCC? Is the digitization agenda appropriate for businesses?

### 4) E-COMMERCE: THE CHANGE DATA ACCELERATOR H7 IOSS ICS 2 NEW SUPPLY CHAIN STAKEHOLDERS' ROLE

When importing into the EU on January 1, 2023, we shall say goodbye to SAD and welcome to H1, I1... E-commerce transactions have acted as a test bed for the deployment of customs clearing 2.0. The full-scale H7, IOSS, and ICS 2 tests have allowed specific operators and administrations to get acquainted with the new data in UCC format, influencing the allocation of supply-chain participants' responsibilities.

### Parallel Workshop / Labs

There will be four concurrent Labs that are the cornerstones to developing a safe, optimised, sustainable, and resilient Customs/Business Horizon 2030

a. Scheme for Facilitation and Customs Clearance

The new customs clearance schemes (DCN, DCC, choice of location of control, entry in the declarant's records, etc.) are THE competitiveness levers for enterprises, as specified in the UCC. Analysis, implementation, recommendations, and recommendations

b. Supply Chain and Origin

Whether it's enterprises, with their increased use of "Made in" and new supply chains or governments working on new streamlined trade agreements, the concept of origin is changing and taking on a new meaning. Analysis, implementation, recommendations, and recommendations

c. Globalization and digitalization

DATA is rapidly becoming the universal vector of communication between all participants in international commerce; formats, regulations, responsibilities, and instructions are rapidly changing, disturbing all agendas. Analysis, implementation, recommendations, and recommendations

d. Training and compliance

Compliance is becoming the primary weapon of company resilience in an unpredictable and continuously changing environment. Institutions and businesses must engage in a productive conversation that combines global strategy with operational agility. In such a situation, training is critical. Analysis, implementation, recommendations, and recommendations

Rich in the exchanges of Part 1 of the Labs, the facilitator and participants create a summary of their Recommendations and Proposals, which will be presented during the conclusion.

### THE LAB'S CONCLUSION - THE CUSTOMS/BUSINESS AGENDA 2030

Recommendations and Proposals for a CUSTOMS 2030 Horizon that considers the interests of all international trade participants.

To learn more and to join last minute, see here: https://www.odascecolloguedouane.com/

# 29.11-2.12.2022 Complying with U.S. Export Controls seminar

This session is live, so you can see and hear BIS specialists present, ask questions, and participate in interactive exercises to increase your regulatory and compliance expertise. BIS experts will teach four 3-hour sessions every day from 9 am to 12 pm PST (UTC-8)

The same topics as the two-day, in-person programmes will be covered:

- scope of the EAR,
- how to classify items for export,
- how to apply for an export licence,
- understanding and using licence exceptions,
- deemed exports,
- de minimis and direct product rules,
- export clearances,
- export enforcement, and developing export management and compliance programme.
- The Automated Export System will be discussed by a Census Bureau visitor.

Find out more

# 6.12.2022 EU Annual Export Control Forum

Reminder: The annual Export Control Forum is around the corner. EU will discuss the latest on export control developments and the unprecedented cooperation with partners to undermine Russia's military actions. Register here.

# 9.12.2022: EU Customs Update 2023

Many changes are on the horizon for 2023 in the EU in the area of customs. We expect the revised Union Customs Code proposals along with the entry into operation of ICS 2. The EU also adopted the Customs Environment for a Single Window and, of course, the implementation of the new datasets for customs declaration is being rolled out throughout the Member States. In addition to these legal and policy issues, the CN 2023 has been published, and guidance documents on valuation and the UCC have been updated. There are also interesting customs classification decisions.

Join our ½ day-intensive briefing and hear experts update you on:

- Changes to CN 2023
- Changes to new EU Guidance
- The new UCC proposals
- ICS 2 Phase 2 and 3
- The customs environment for the single window
- Updateded UCC guidance

The event will take place on Friday, 9 December 2022, from 9 am to 1 pm GMT or 10 am to 2 pm CET. It is an online exclusive event and the cost is 275 Euro or 250 GBP+VAT (as applicable) per participant. A full slide pack will be provided. To book, e-mail <u>info@customsmanager.org</u>

# **Useful Pages & Additional Information**

#### **Customs Warehousing**

Duty reliefs like Customs warehousing can save companies millions of dollars/pounds/euros in business costs, but only if they're implemented correctly. Customs warehousing is a cost-effective way to store foreign products in your country that are destined for another. How can a business benefit from it? Read our blog entry. Watch our explainer video on customs duty reliefs and access exclusive support. <a href="https://www.customsmanager.org/customs-warehousing">https://www.customsmanager.org/customs-warehousing</a>

#### **HS Codes & Customs Classification**

Each of the millions of completed goods and components that are sold globally is given a unique HS code. Find out about what is Harmonized Systems Codes. Are they the same as HS codes? Hear from classification experts Mike Bing and Arne Mielken as they discuss customs classification. Access an FAQ on Harmonized System Codes You asked us questions, and here are our answers. https://www.customsmanager.org/harmonized-system-code

#### **Customs Declaration Services Support Center**

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#### **CITES Endangered Species**

Find out more about CITES and join our campaign to protect endangered species: <u>https://www.customsmanager.org/cites-endangered-species-campaign</u>

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Serviceangebot auf Deutsch: https://www.customsmanager.org/zollexpertise

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