

French Customs IT system: recent developments concerning TIR and transit



Summary

Projects

- Transmission of SafeTIR data in real time: TIROL project
- Link between TIROL and NCTS national application
- Transit system and French single window project

Conclusions

- TIR operations treatment: state of play
- some recommendations concerning costs assessment and costs reduction



Transmission of SafeTIR data in real time

• TIROL project (TIR On Line Tools for Customs offices) : history of the project, Real Time SafeTIR implementation (RTS)

Features :

- -transmission of SafeTIR data in real time (cf slide 13)
- -cancellation of SafeTIR data
- -statistics concerning data transmitted (cf slide 14)
- -TIR carnet validity check (cf slide 15)



TIROL and RTS: benefits for Customs

- 4 functions = 4 benefits :
- -Real time transmission:

another step towards electronic management of TIR operations

- -On line cancellation:
- opportunity to deal with reconciliation procedure electronically
- -Statistics:

global view on TIR operations; better operational management

-TIR carnet validity check :

new tool to prevent fraud; easier access to information

- Relation with eTIR project: change in the perception of TIR operations by Customs services:
- ... on the way to electronic management of TIR operations ...



TIROL and RTS: first results

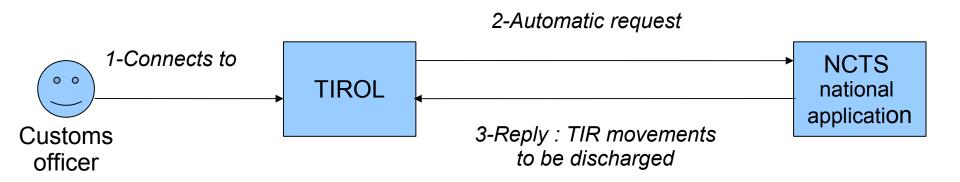
- Percentage of data transmitted within 0 day :
- 1% in 2010, 0% in 2009!
- <u>79 %</u> in january 2011
- Percentage of data transmitted within 1 day :
- 68% in 2009 and 2010
- <u>82%</u> in january 2011
- Average transmission period :
- 3 days in 2009
- 4 days in 2010
- 1.8 days in january 2011

Our goal: real time transmission



Link between TIROL and transit system (NCTS)

How does it work ?

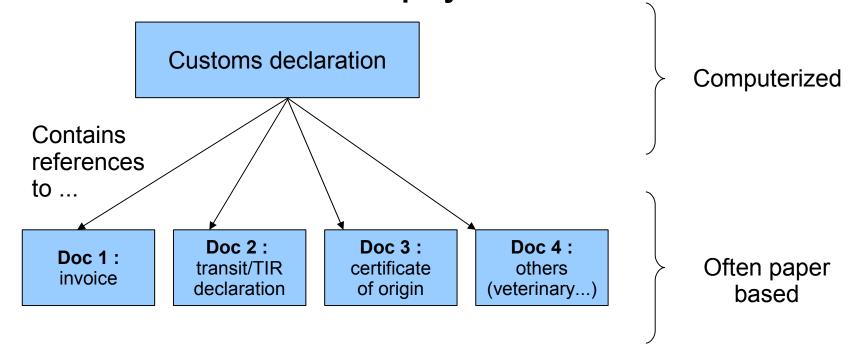


- Result: TIROL retrieves a list of operations ("to do list") List of tasks to be completed by the user (cf. slide 16)
- Benefits:
- -lower risk of missing data
- -reduction of time consuming tasks (form already filled in)
- Conclusion: no direct relation with eTIR, but this connection shows consistency between various initiatives in the area of transit / TIR



Next step: transit system and single window approach

Customs clearance state of play



- French single window approach :
- full benefits expected from computerization can not be obtained since "associated processes" are not computerized
- our goal: links between processes (eDocuments); transit is one of these processes



Links between import and transit system

Two ways to exchange data :

1-direct consultation of transit declaration from the import system (june 2011)

2-import system "pushes" to transit system data concerning customs clearance after transit (2012)

- Benefits: better traceability; better integration
- Conclusions:
- single window approach consistent with eTIR
- eTIR must take advantage of other initiatives to convince decision makers to go further



Comparison between situation 5 years ago and now ...

5 years ago in France

no NCTS TIR :

-no input by the trader -no exchange of electronic data between Customs offices -paper based discharge (not on a real time basis)

no transmission of SafeTIR data in real time :

-delayed transmissions-no possibilty to correct easilyon line (paper was necessary)-no culture of real timetreatment fot TIR operations

Nowadays

- NCTS TIR mandatory (2009) :

- -input realized by the trader
- -electronic exchange of data between Customs offices
- -discharge in real time

- SafeTIR data transmitted in real time (2011)

- -real time transmissions
- -possibilty to correct easily on line (without paper)
- -culture of real time treatment for TIR operations

= Better compliance with eTIR requirements



Conclusion: some reflections on costs assessment

- eTIR remaining tasks : functions to be developed at national level. Partially covered by existing systems.
- Opportunity to adapt national system (to be assessed)
- Modifying current system can reduce costs:

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-conception
-implementation
-deployment (training, communication ...)
-maintenance and technical support
-helpdesk

much lower with existing systems
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• Elements to bear in mind to convince decision makers : cost of acquisition, total cost of ownership (TCO), potential return on investment

- Benefits > Costs
- Long term benefits



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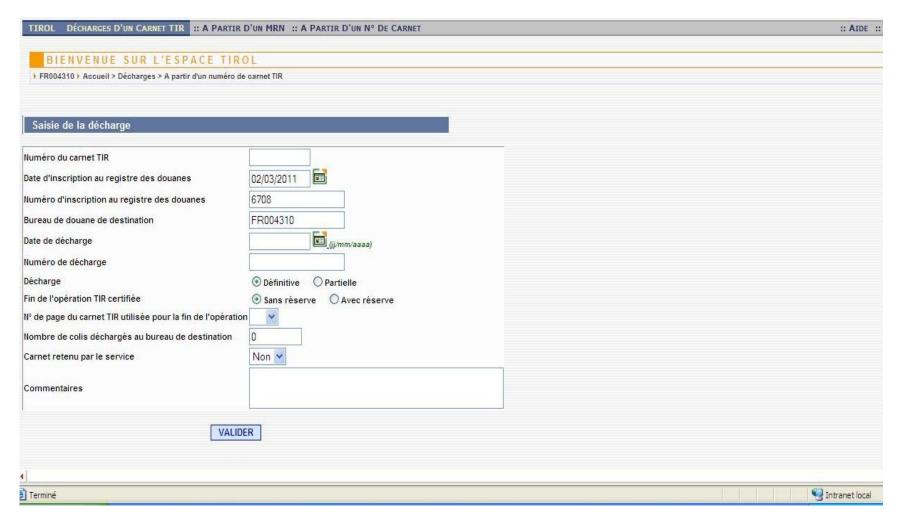
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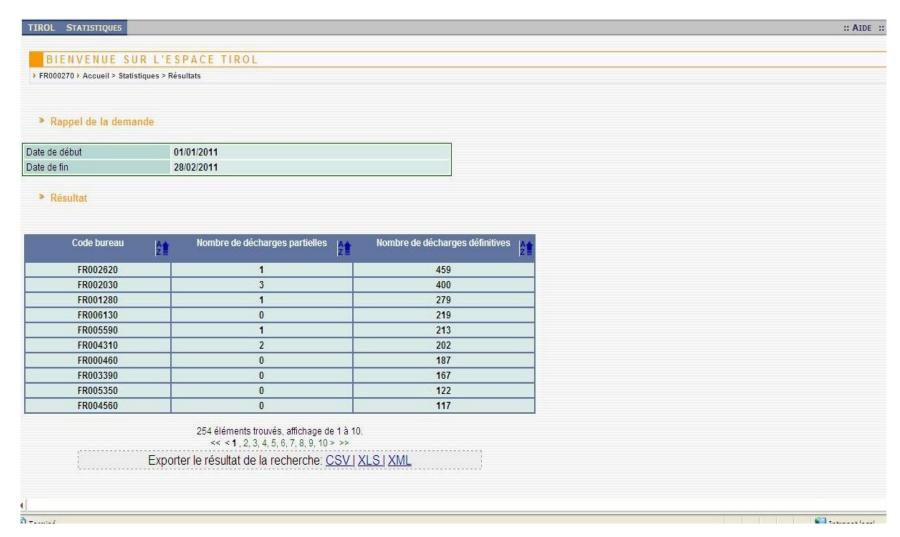
SafeTIR data form



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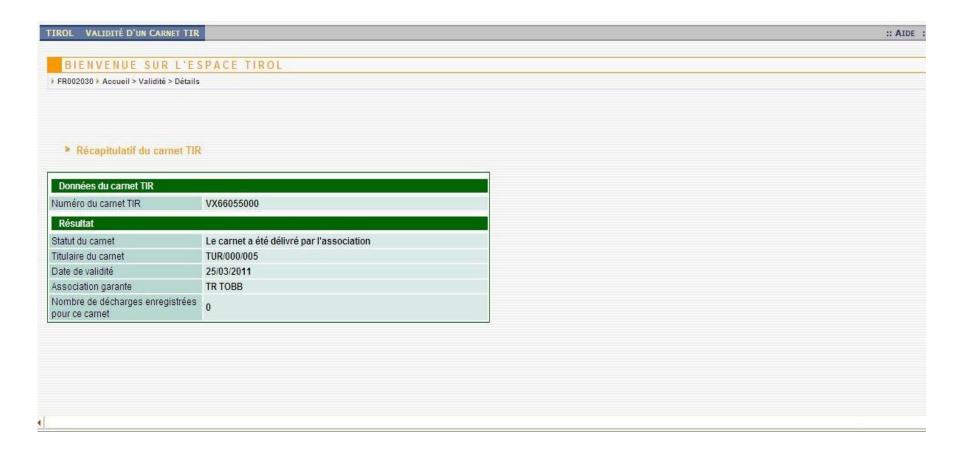


Statistics



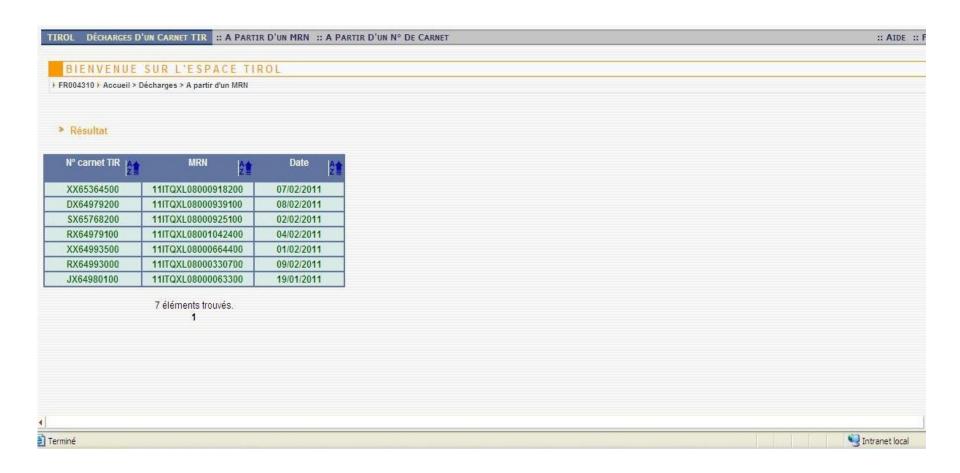


TIR carnet validity





"To do list" (list of tasks to be completed)



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