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Amendment proposals to the eTIR Reference Model International declaration mechanisms

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Outline

- Background
- Definitions
- Current procedure (WP.30/2011/4)
- Proposed amendment (Annex GE.1/2011/9)
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Background

- Further to UNECE-IRU meeting on 15 February 2011
- 2 Proposals of which :
 - **introduce international declaration mechanisms (ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2011/9)**



Background

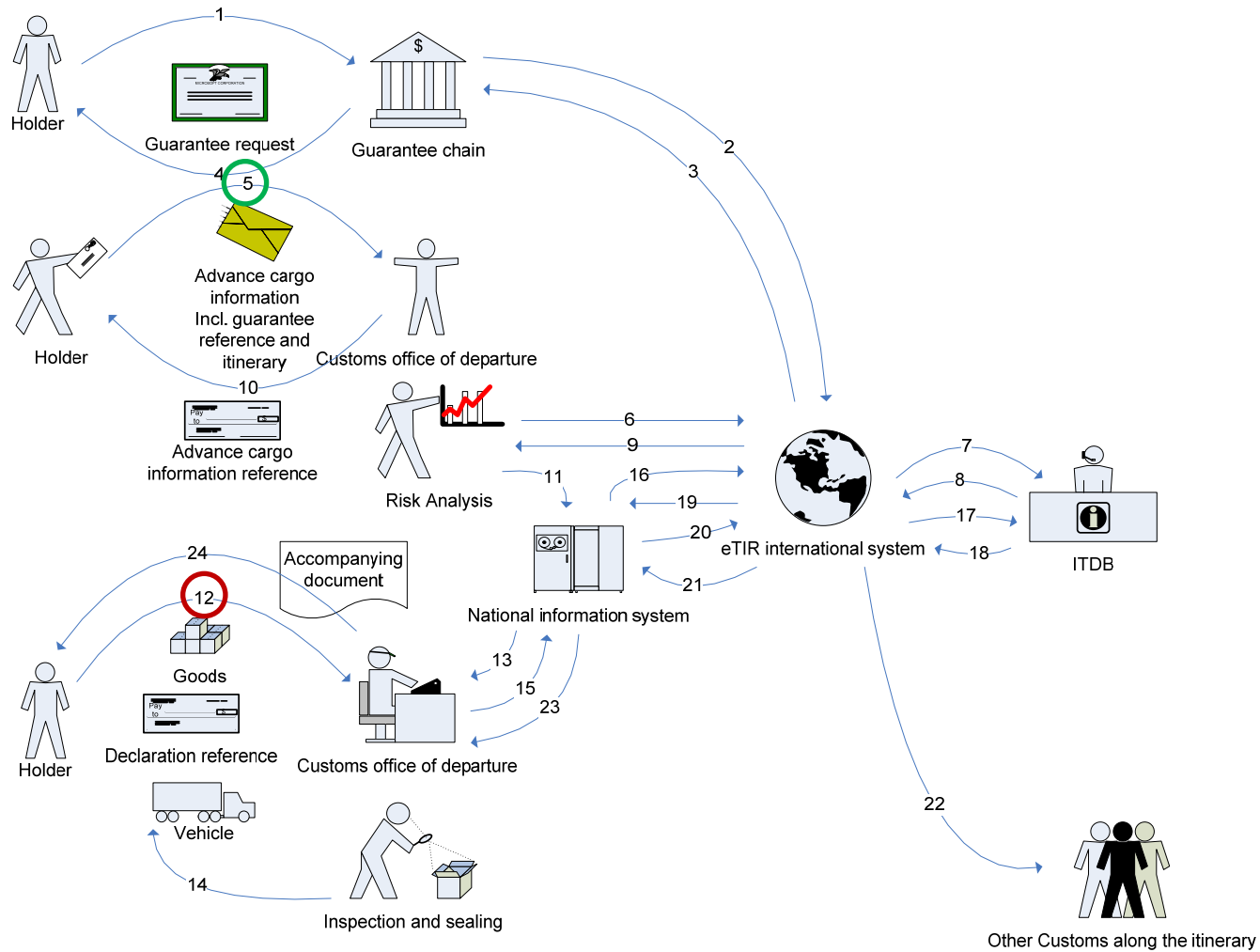
- Available options:
 - Sending EDI messages to Customs
 - Using a Customs web application (form)
 - Customs brokers
 - *IRU TIR-EPD*
- All solutions have direct or indirect financial consequences for the holders
- In the RM : Standard messages but no standard procedures (issue of authentication)



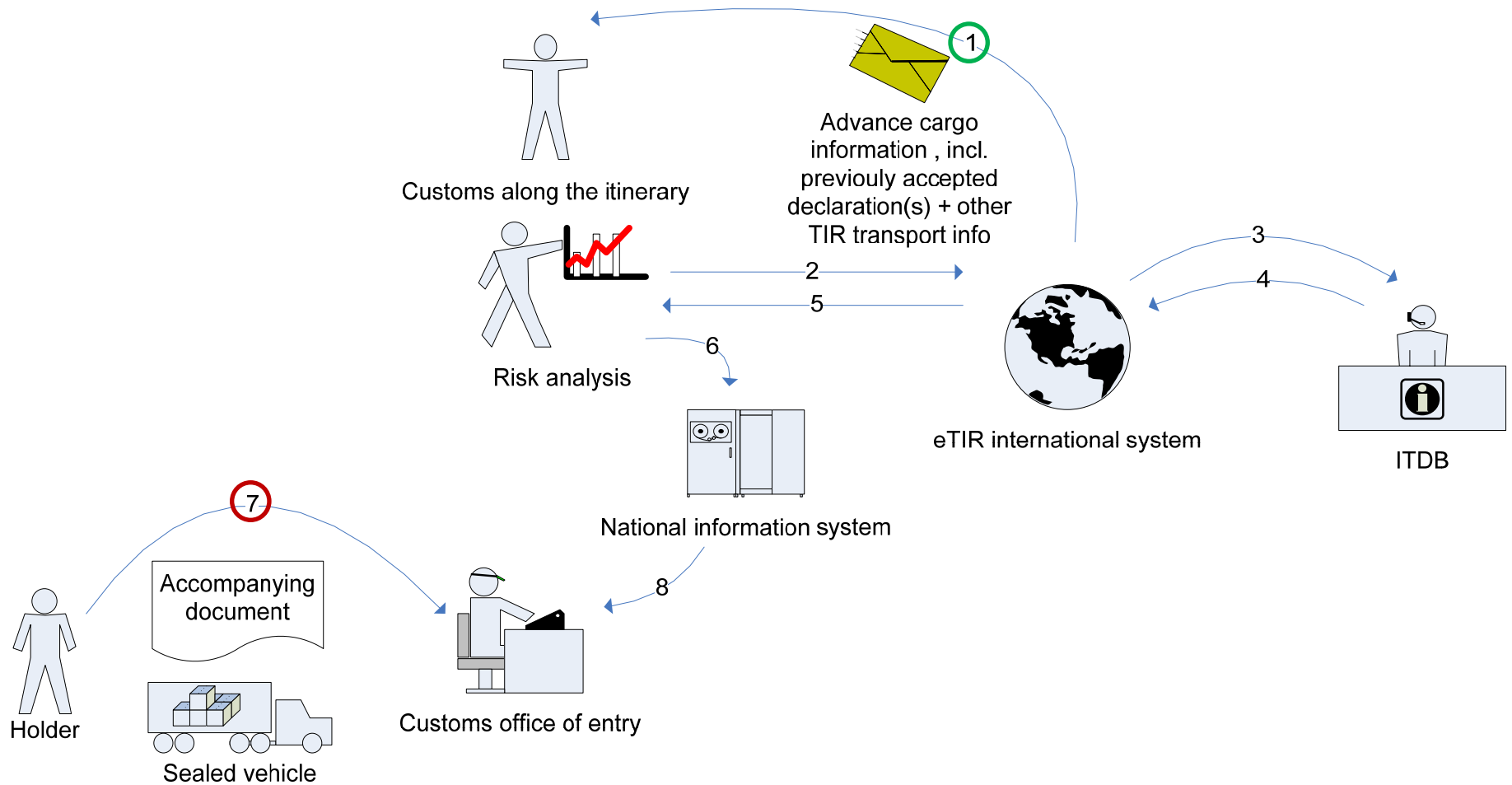
Definitions

- ● **Advance cargo information** : Information provided to the competent Customs authorities within the prescribed deadlines and in the prescribed form and manner of the intention of the holder to place goods under the TIR procedure or pursue a TIR transport.
- ● **Declaration** : Act whereby the holder, or his representative, indicates in the prescribed form and manner a wish to place goods under the TIR procedure

Current procedure (Departure)

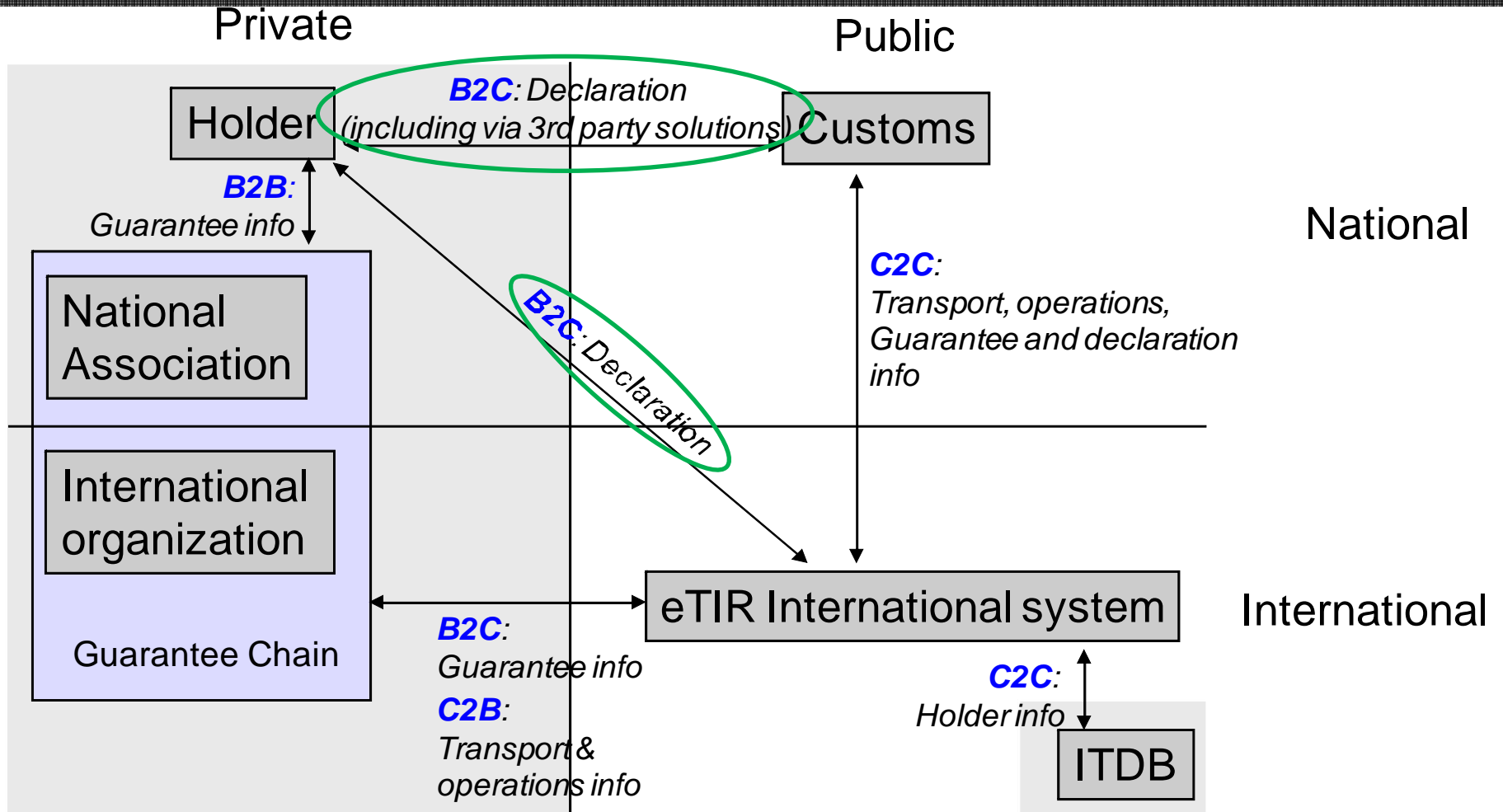


Current procedure (Entry)





Proposed amendment





Issues for considerations

- Authentication
 - Direct representative
 - International certification authority
 - ...
- Technical alternatives
 - EDI
 - Web based
- Authentication as part of the authorization procedure?



Survey

- Is authentication required for sending advance cargo information?
- Current and future use of authentication and electronic signature in TIR CP?
- Is it possible to rely on foreign certifications authorities (CA)?
- Would it be possible to create an international CA?



Comments on the document

- France: Legal vs physical person
- UK : Declarations made to the “home country”



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