## Coordinated Border Management (CBM) FINLAND

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## Why CBM?

#### **Changing border context**

Volume of goods

**Resource limitation** 

New challenges

#### Reality

**Duplication of inspections** 

Silo mentality

Poor co-ordination and organization of border control processes

#### **Results**

Slow clearance times

Delays

Increased non-compliance

Increased costs to Trade

Solution

Coordinated Border Management



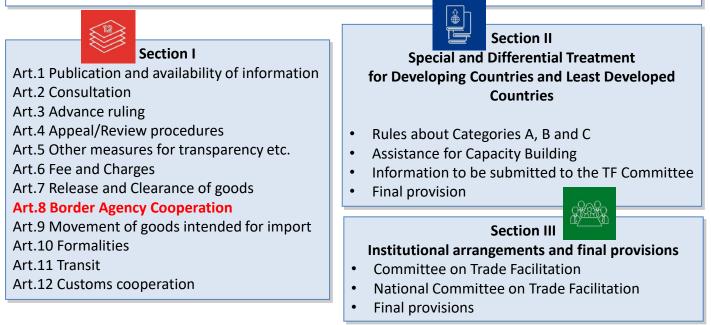


# WTO TFA

Section I – <u>12 articles</u> regarding Trade Facilitation and Customs Cooperation, Section II – <u>10 articles</u> on special and differential treatment for developing, countries and least-developed countries in

Section III – <u>2 articles</u> on institutional arrangements and final provisions.

The TFA deals almost entirely with Customs-related topics





### **Coordinated Border Management**

#### **Drivers**

- Increased trade volumes
- Increased security threats
- Society demand
- Fiscal constraint
- Etc.

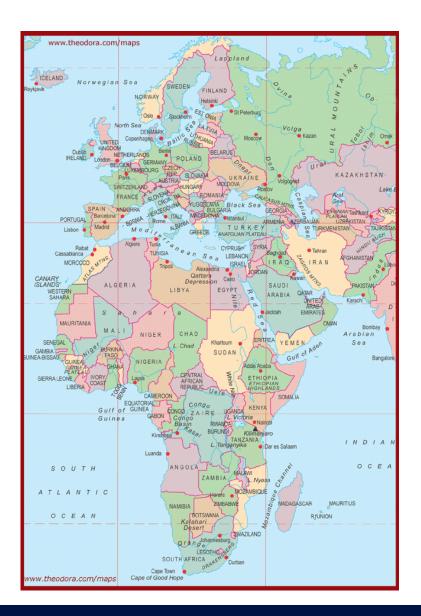
#### Success Factors

- Political will
- Legal basis
- Private sector buy-in
- Organizational
  will

#### **Benefits**

- Enhanced risk
  management
- Resource
  efficiencies
- Internal and external policy cohesion
- Increased accountability / transparency







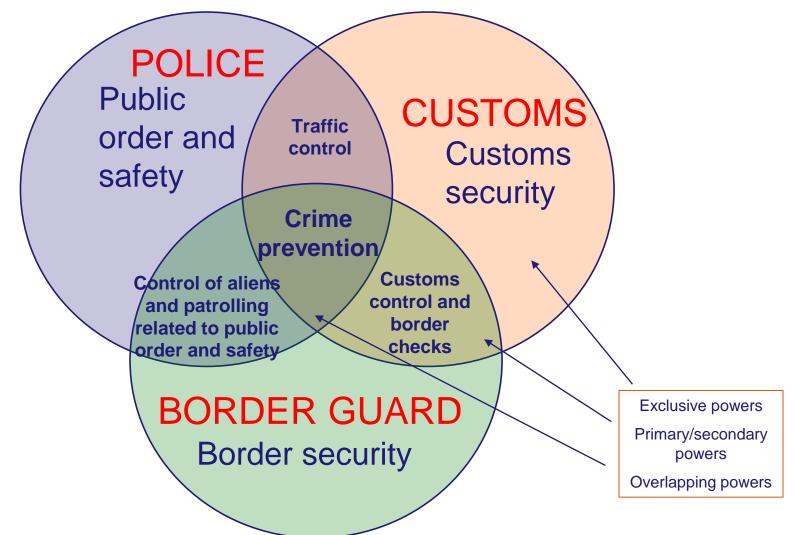


## Background

- Legal background already since 1927
- Current legal base: Act and Government Decree on Cooperation between PCBauthorities (2009)
- Agreements
- PCB strategy 2018 2021



## SHARED COMPETENCE





## PCB cooperation in general matters

- Common ICT-solutions
  - National investigation database
  - Access to each others databases
  - Common criminal analyses tools
- Purchasing of material together
- Education & training
  - Common education and right to study in each others courses



# **Different forms of cooperation**

- Passport control at
  - airports and
  - Harbors
- Customs duties at temporary border posts

Police duties at BCPs



# Finland – Norway – Sweden

Border cooperation between Norway, Sweden and Finland the national border authorities of each country are allowed to provide services and exercise legal powers not only on behalf of their home state, but that of their neighbouring states as well.



# Finnish – Norwegian Border

- Already from 1969
- Both countries are members of the Schengen Area
- Only Finland is a EU Member
- The BCPs are **shared** between the two countries
- Import and export procedures can be carried out by either Finnish or Norwegian officers, depending who is in the shift



# Swedish – Norwegian Border

- Already from 1959
- Both countries are members of the Schengen Area
- Only Sweden is a EU Member
- Export from Sweden and Import to Norway are done by Norwegian Customs
- Import to Sweden and export from Norway are done by Swedish Customs

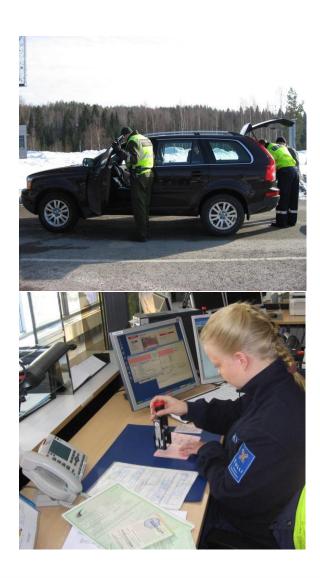


#### Role of Customs in enforcement cooperation

| <u>Ministry</u><br>Finance      | Tax Administration   | Export controls, corporate audits, grey economy  |
|---------------------------------|--|--|
| Interior                        | Police<br>Border Guard   | Crime prevention, LIPRE<br>Passport controls, weapons, cash  |
| Transport and<br>Communications | Finnish Transport Safety Agency (Trafi)  | Controls of heavy traffic<br>Safety measures at ports  |
| Agriculture and<br>Forestry     | Food Safety Authority (Evira)<br>Agency for Rural Affairs (Mavi)   | FEOGA, food products<br>Plant and animal diseases  |
| Foreign Affairs                 | Department for External Economic<br>Relations, Political Department  | Dual use products including weapons of mass destruction<br>International trade regulations, e.g. customs value and<br>provenance |
| Social Affairs<br>and Health    | Medicines Agency (Fimea)<br>Supervisory Authority for Welfare and<br>Health (Valvira)<br>Radiation Safety Authority (STUK) | Medicines<br>Alcohol, tobacco<br>Radioactive materials   |
| Education                       | Copyright organisations<br>Board of Antiquities  | Copyrights<br>Objects of cultural value  |
| Environment                     | Environmental Administration (SYKE)<br>Oil Pollution Compensation Fund   | Waste, chemicals, CITES<br>Oil damage duty   |
| Employment and the Economy      | Safety Technology Authority (Tukes)<br>Board of Patents and Registration   | Chemicals, consumer goods, explosives<br>Intellectual property rights  |
| Defence                         | Ministry of Defence  | Defence materiel   |



## The Nuija Model







Vaalimaa BCP

1. Cargo traffic

2. Passenger traffic

3. X-ray

4. Inspection hall

5. Parking area for trucks



# The Nuija Model

- What the model means in practice?
- Further **training** for both authorities
- Sharing equipment, databases and facilities
- Common **briefing** in the beginning of each shift
- **Customs** perform passport checks in **cargo** terminals
- Border Guards perform customs control tasks in passenger terminals
  - Border Guards perform checks of invoices and tax free cheques, insurances of the vehicles and animals
- Joint teams and responsibilities



## The Nuija Model

- Innovative distribution of tasks between Customs and Border Guard in Finland;
- Pilot Project operational at Nuijamaa since 5.1.2010;
- Phase II was introduced in 2012
- Expansion to Vaalimaa and Imatra BCP's in December 2014
- Verified in Schengen Evaluation in 2011 and 2018;



### SCHENGEN EVALUATION 2011 "EU CERTIFICATE"

"The EvalCom appreciates the Nuija Model since the combination of Customs and Border Checks in one step speeds up the total process and increases productivity of the total available staff. It is also a good practical example of functional IBM concept at the local level."



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