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## **TRANSIT MANUAL AMENDMENT**

**Subject: Recovery request from another competent authority and issuing duplicates**

The following amendments are inserted in the Transit Manual and are applicable since 1 May 2016.

### **With regard to the recovery request from another competent authority:**

#### **In the Transit Manual Part VIII, sub-section 3.3.4,**

- The 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph , starting with 'In these cases ...' is deleted in order to avoid duplication of text:

#### **In the Transit Manual Part VIII, sub-section 3.3.5,**

- The 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph is replaced by:
  - o 'The competent authority requested to recover or to hand over the competency to recover shall answer to the request by sending the message 'Recovery Acceptance Notification' (IE151) indicating 'Yes' or 'No' for the transfer of the competency (if no message IE118 or IE006 is lodged). In case the answer is 'No' the competency stays with the country of departure. In case the answer is 'Yes' the competency is transferred to the country accepting the request, which shall start with the recovery procedure. The country of departure shall inform the holder of the procedure accordingly.'

**With regard to issuing duplicates:**

**In the Transit Manual, PART II, sub-section 4.5,**

- The wording 'T2L' is replaced by 'T2L/T2LF' and
- The following paragraph is added at the end:

*Duplicates*                    See PART V, Chapter 3, section 4.4 Duplicates.

**In the Transit Manual, PART V, Chapter 3,**

- The following paragraph is added:

*4.4.            Duplicates*

In the event of the theft, loss or destruction of a transit declaration or a T2L/T2LF document, the customs office, which issued the original document, may issue a duplicate.

The interested party requesting the duplicate must duly justify the request and declare in writing to return the original if found.

Authorised consignors and authorised issuers may also issue a duplicate of transit declarations or T2L/T2LF documents, provided that;

- they issued the original document ;
- they submitted a duly justified request to the competent authority to be authorised to issue a duplicate of the original; and
- the competent authority accepted the request.

Customs should assess the risk of abuse and, in particular, investigate recurrent requests.

The duplicate must bear in bold letters the word "DUPLICATE", the stamp of the customs office, authorised consignor or of the authorised issuer, which issued the duplicate and the signature of the competent person.