

the United Nations, who shall communicate certified true copies to all States referred to in article 18.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned Plenipotentiaries, being duly authorized thereto by their respective Governments, have signed the present Convention.

DONE at Geneva this second day of December one thousand nine hundred and seventy-two.

Annex 1

PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE MARKING OF CONTAINERS

1. The following information shall be durably marked in an appropriate and clearly visible place on containers;

- (a) the identification of the owner or principal operator;
- (b) the identification marks and numbers of the container, given by the owner or operator; and
- (c) the tare weight of the container, including all its permanently fixed equipment.

2. The country to which the container belongs may be shown either in full or by the distinguishing sign used to indicate the country of registration of motor vehicles in international road traffic. Each country may subject the use of its name or distinguishing sign on the container to its national legislation. The identity of the owner or operator may be shown either by his full name or has initials, provided the latter constitute an established identification, symbols such as emblems or flags being excluded.

3. Containers approved for transport under Customs seal shall, in addition, bear the following details which shall also be put on the approval plate in accordance with the provisions of Annex 5:

- (a) the manufacturer's serial number (manufacturer's number); and
- (b) if they have been approved by design type, the identification numbers or letters of the type.

Annex 2

TEMPORARY ADMISSION PROCEDURE UNDER ARTICLE 7 OF THE PRESENT CONVENTION

1. For the purpose of applying the provisions of article 7 of the present Convention, each Contracting Party shall use, for checking movements of containers granted temporary admission, the records kept by the owners or operators or their representatives.

2. The following provisions shall be applied:

- (a) the owner or operator of the containers will be represented in the country in which the containers are to be granted temporary admission;
- (b) the owner or operator or the representative of either will undertake in writing:
 - (i) to supply to the Customs authorities of the said country, at their request, detailed information concerning the movements of each container granted temporary admission including the dates and places of entry into and exit from of the said country;
 - (ii) to pay such import duties and taxes as may be required in cases where the conditions of temporary admission have not been fulfilled.

Annex 3 •

USE OF CONTAINERS IN INTERNAL TRAFFIC

Each Contracting Party shall be entitled to impose the following conditions on the use, within its territory, as provided for in article 9 of the present Convention, of containers in internal traffic:

- (a) the journey shall bring the container by a reasonably direct route to, or nearer to, the place where export cargo is to be loaded or from where the container is to be exported empty;
- (b) the container will be used only once in internal traffic before being re-exported.

Annex 4 *

REGULATIONS ON TECHNICAL CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO CONTAINERS WHICH MAY BE ACCEPTED FOR INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT UNDER CUSTOMS SEAL

Article I

Basic principles

Approval for the international transport of goods under Customs seal may be granted only to containers constructed and equipped in such a manner that:

- (a) no goods can be removed from, or introduced into, the sealed part of the container without leaving visible traces of tampering or without breaking the Customs seal;
- (b) Customs seals can be simply and effectively affixed to them;
- (c) they contain no concealed spaces where goods may be hidden;
- (d) all spaces capable of holding goods are readily accessible for Customs inspection.

Article 2

Structure of containers

1. To meet the requirements of article 1 of these Regulations:

- (a) the constituent parts of the container (sides, floor, doors, roof, uprights, frames, cross-pieces, etc.) shall be assembled either by means of devices which cannot be removed and replaced from the outside without leaving visible traces or by such methods as will produce a structure which cannot be modified without leaving visible traces. When the sides, floor, doors and roof are made up of various components, these shall meet the same requirements and be of sufficient strength;
- (b) doors and all other closing systems (including stopcocks, manholecovers, flanges, etc.) shall be fitted with a device on which Customs seals can be fixed. This device must be such that it cannot be removed and replaced from outside the container without leaving visible traces, or the door or fastening be opened without breaking the Customs seals. The latter shall be adequately protected. Opening roofs shall be permitted;
- (c) apertures for ventilation and drainage shall be provided with a device preventing access to the interior of the container. This device must be such that it cannot be removed and replaced from outside the container without leaving visible traces.