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## AFTA AND ASEAN FTAs WITH DPs



AFTA

1993

ASEAN-KOREA

2005

2007

2009

2010


2010

ASEAN-INDIA

ASEAN-CHINA

ASEAN-JAPAN

ASEAN-AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND



## CONVENTIONAL SYSTEM



**Only Government authorised  
bodies allowed to endorse  
preferential certificates of origin.**



## WAY FORWARD



**Self-Certification  
Scheme**



## BACKGROUND



Memorandum of Understanding for Self Certification was signed on 26 August 2010 during the AEM. It will enter into force on 1 Nov. 2010 upon ratification by all 3 AMS



Malaysia



Brunei



Singapore

Involving three Participating Member States



## OBJECTIVES



Facilitating intra – ASEAN trade

Reduce cost of doing business

Maximize the efficiency of the government limited resources





## SELF-CERTIFICATION

Self-certification is a system which enables the Certified exporter to make out an invoice Declaration for the export of goods

The information in the invoice declaration is less than what appears in ATIGA Form D

It will gradually replace the conventional ATIGA Form D which is currently being issued by the Issuing Authority i.e. MITI

A separate OCP has been formulated for the purposes of the Pilot Project



## APPLICATION PROCESS

1

For the ASEAN Self Certification System, participating Member States will circulate the list of authorised/certified exporters who will be determined by MITI

2

The authorised/certified exporter means an exporter duly authorised to make out invoice declarations on the origin of a good exported.

3

The authorised/certified exporters will be authorised by the Issuing Authority of the Participating Member States.

4

Exporters will have to apply to the Issuing Authority before they can become authorised/certified exporters.




## CRITERIA OF CERTIFIED EXPORTERS



-  **Manufacturers who are also exporters**
-  **Good past track record**
-  **Not blacklisted by any agency i.e Customs or MITI**
-  **Be able to comply to the ROO**



## INFORMATION NEEDED




Validity of Approval

Certified Exporter Number

List of products

Upon approval, the exporter will be given a Certified Exporter number together with the approval letter .

Obligation to submit number of Invoice Declarations to the Issuing Authority on a monthly or quarterly basis.





## INVOICE DECLARATION STATEMENT



*“The exporter of the product(s) covered by this document (Certified Exporter No.....) declares that, except where otherwise clearly indicated, the products satisfy the Rules of Origin to be considered as ASEAN Originating Products under ATIGA (ASEAN Trade in Goods:.....) with origin criteria:.....”*



## INVOICE DECLARATION STATEMENT (CON'T)



- In the event when the invoice made out by the certified exporter may not be available to the importer at the time of exportation, the invoice declaration can be made out by a certified exporter on any of the commercial documents as follows:
- The declaration must be signed by hand, with the addition of the name of person.

Billing statement; or

Delivery order; or


Packing list





## VALIDITY PERIOD

Valid for a period of twelve (12) months for origin certification made out and must be submitted to the customs authorities of the Member States within that period.



## WITHDRAWAL OF AUTHORISATION

The Issuing Authority **MAY WITHDRAW** the Authorisation at any time when:

- No longer fulfill the conditions referred to in Rule 12 A (2) of the OCP;
- No longer offers the guarantees referred to in Rule 12A(1) of the OCP; or
- Abuse the authorisation.
- Penalty will be imposed for false declarations as stipulated in the Customs Act 1967



