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Dear Director General,

The World Customs Organization (WCO) has the pleasure to invite your Administration to attend the **WCO Regional Workshop on the Revised Kyoto Convention (RKC)** for the Asia Pacific (A/P) region, to be held in Indonesia from 19 to 23 December 2022. The Workshop will benefit from the sponsorship of the Chinese Customs Cooperation Fund (CCF-China) and will be conducted in English.

As you will be aware, the RKC is particularly important for Customs administrations as it demonstrates to the international community that Customs is actually implementing the modern and fundamental principles that should govern international trade. The WCO always reiterates the importance of this instrument as a blueprint for modern and efficient Customs procedures and as a reference tool for the harmonized implementation of the WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement (TFA).

The Workshop intends to raise awareness and deepen understanding at the strategic and operational levels about the key imperatives to comply with and implement the RKC provisions and observance of the Convention principles. In addition, the Workshop will briefly review the status and level of compliance and implementation of the RKC in the A/P region, taking into consideration issues specific to the region, including the gaps and challenges faced. **Therefore, administrations interested in delivering presentations during the Workshop are kindly encouraged to inform the WCO Secretariat in advance. Presentations should focus on best practices or on the overall level of compliance with the RKC (be it from Customs legislation or procedures/operations perspective), in respect to any one or more of the Chapters of the General Annex and Specific Annexes of the RKC.**

To achieve the objectives of the Workshop, the nominated representative from your Administration should be a **Customs official who is well acquainted with the RKC, Customs law and responsible for formulating and implementing policy on Customs procedures** within your Administration. In order to fully prepare for the Workshop, the nominated officer is requested to visit the dedicated [RKC webpage](#) in the WCO Members' Website (Go to "Topics – Procedures and Facilitation – Instruments and Tools – Conventions – RKC") which contains useful information about the RKC.

Please note that all expenses related to the participation of one delegate from your Administration in this Workshop (travel, accommodation and daily subsistence allowance) will be supported by CCF-China. Please be informed that once the air ticket has been issued, any change or cancellation fees incurred for reasons attributable to the participant or the Administration will have to be borne by the participant or their Administration.



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Your nominated official is requested to complete the attached Nomination Form (Annex I) and return it with a copy of the passport by e-mail to the following coordinators, as soon as possible but no later than **31 October 2022**:

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The nominated participants are kindly requested to check whether they need a visa to travel to Indonesia and, if so, to take the necessary action to obtain the visa. Further details regarding logistical arrangements for the Workshop, as well as the agenda, will be communicated to nominated participants directly in due course.

Should you require any additional information regarding the Workshop, your staff may contact **Mr. Phuntsho Dorji**, Technical Officer in the WCO's Compliance and Facilitation Directorate, using the contact information above.

I look forward to your positive reply and the active participation of your Administration in this Workshop.

Kunio Mikuriya
WCO Secretary General