

Summary of the Second Virtual Meeting of the Technical Working Group (TWG) of the Interim Intergovernmental Steering Group on Cross-border Paperless Trade Facilitation

- **Date and Time: 28 October 2015, 13:00 – 14:00 (Bangkok time)**
- **Agenda**
 - 1) Roll call
 - 2) Report from vice-chairs on progress made in each tasks under their coordination
 - 3) Update on progress/activity of the LWG in revising the draft text by the Liaison officer to the LWG
 - 4) Confirmation additional meeting in the morning of 4 November and tasks to be conducted.
 - 5) Progress in reviewing a white paper on TTS from Russian delegation of experts
 - 6) Any other business
- **Participants**
 - 1) Mr. SP Sahu (Chair of TWG)
 - 2) Mr. Sergey Kiryushkin
 - 3) Ms. Alla Kryzhanovskaya
 - 4) Mr. T.A. Khan
 - 5) Mr. Sangwon Lim (secretariat)
- **Major discussions**
 - ✓ The chair opened the meeting with roll call of participants.
 - ✓ The meeting reviewed progress in tasks of the TWG. While none of the vice-chairs were able to join the meeting, the meeting managed to review the progress based on inputs shared by vice-chairs through the TWG group mail as well as update from the secretariat.
 - ✓ The secretariat updated the meeting on activities of the TWG in improving the draft text of regional agreement, including collection of comments from members for revision and preliminary legal gap analysis.
 - ✓ The Russian participants briefed the meeting on the contents of the white paper on transboundary trust space previously circulated to both TWG and LWG. The meeting pointed out value of adding a glossary to provide clear definition on technical and legal terms it contains. Another point on value of having an application example of TTS was raised to help readers better understand its implementation in practice. The Russian participants agreed to add a glossary as well as share application case of TTS in the Eurasian Economic Commission (EEC). Mr. Khan informed the meeting of project

status of the TTS in the e-Government Domain of the United Nations Centre for Trade Facilitation and Electronic Business (UN/CEFACT).

- ✓ The secretariat informed the meeting that three additional rooms (MR-C, MR-D and CR-4) were secured for additional sessions in the morning of 4 November 2015 to work on selected tasks under the coordination of vice-chair(s). The secretariat would inquire vice-chair(s) on additional sessions.
- ✓ The 2nd Virtual meeting will be organized at 13:00 – 14:00 (Bangkok time) on 28 October 2015. The secretariat would announce Webex access information through the TWG group mail.
- ✓ The chair closed the meeting with thanks to the participating members.