



WCO ACTIVITIES on Waste

WCO

- ❑ Established in 1952
 - Customs Cooperation Council
- ❑ Adopted working name WCO in 1994
- ❑ With 182 member countries
- ❑ Launched Environmental Programme in 2012



WCO Platforms

❑ ENVIRONET

- Secure platform to exchange relevant information among Customs administration

❑ CEN

- Share seizure data

❑ 11 RILOs around the world

- Global Network of Regional Intelligence Liaison Offices

What we've done

- Operation DEMETER I

- ❑ (Period) 23 March ~ 11 May in 2009 (50 days)
- ❑ (Participants) 65 Customs administrations
- ❑ (Target) 16 types of waste which are most frequently traded
 - in maritime shipments
- ❑ (CENComm) 516 messages were exchange
 - 410 pre-arrival notifications, 49 feedback messages, 56 seizure messages
- ❑ (Seizures) 56 seizures reported
 - more than 36,714,275kg & 1,830 pieces of waste
 - ranging from waste batteries and copy machines to waste engine oil and waste tires

What we've done

- Operation DEMETER II

- ❑ (Period) 06 February ~ 11 March in 2012 (45 days)
- ❑ (Participants) 77 Customs administrations
- ❑ (Target) hazardous waste in maritime shipments
- ❑ (CENComm) 256 messages were exchange
 - 149 pre-arrival notifications(warning messages)
- ❑ (Seizures) 64 seizures reported
 - over 2,385 tons and 5,416 pieces of waste
 - from metal scrap, used vehicle parts and tires, electrical and electronic equipment (e-waste), to paper and plastic waste

What we've done

- Operation DEMETER III

- ❑ (Period) 07 October ~ 10 November 2013(45 days)
- ❑ (Participants) 44 Customs administrations
- ❑ (Target) hazardous waste in maritime shipments
- ❑ (CENComm) 236 messages were exchange
 - 116 pre-arrival notifications(warning messages)
- ❑ (Seizures) 48 seizures reported
 - 7,022,724 kg and 3,403 pieces of waste
 - from textile waste, plastic waste, household waste, metal scrap, e-waste to used vehicle parts and tyres

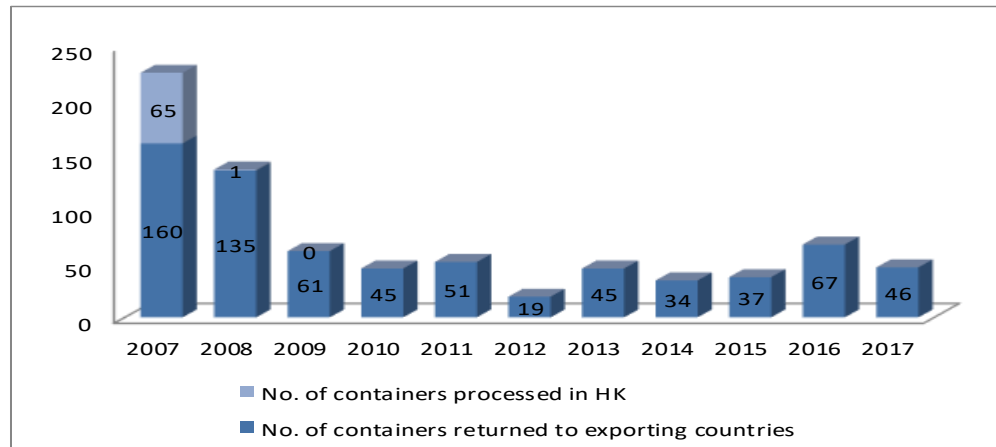
WCO EP Plan in 2018

- Operation DEMETER IV

- ❑ (Period) 21 May ~ 24 June in 2018(35 days)
- ❑ (Participating) receiving participating forms by 18 May 2018
- ❑ (Target) illegal shipments of hazardous and other wastes - by all routes (air, sea, land borders)
- ❑ (Information Exchange) CENComm

Best Practice of HK Customs - Inter – agency cooperation

- ❑ Strategic Control Scheme on Hazardous Waste in 2007
- ❑ (Risk profiling) HK customs select cargos based on intelligence exchange with local and overseas counterparts
- ❑ (joint inspection) with Environmental Protection Department (EPD) and the representative of shipping companies



WCO HS for e-waste

- ❑ WCO changes HS every 5 years
 - Currently preparing 2022 HS
 - Amendment proposal will be approved by WCO Council in 2019.6
- ❑ E –waste is an issue
 - (Current) There is no specific heading for e-waste
 - (Future) There will be a specific heading for e-waste

Thank you

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