

## AGREEMENT

on provisional application between certain Member States of the European Union of the Convention drawn up on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union on the use of information technology for customs purposes

THE KINGDOM OF BELGIUM,

THE KINGDOM OF DENMARK,

THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY,

THE HELLENIC REPUBLIC,

THE KINGDOM OF SPAIN,

THE FRENCH REPUBLIC,

IRELAND,

THE ITALIAN REPUBLIC,

THE GRAND DUCHY OF LUXEMBOURG,

THE KINGDOM OF THE NETHERLANDS,

THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA,

THE PORTUGUESE REPUBLIC,

THE REPUBLIC OF FINLAND,

THE KINGDOM OF SWEDEN,

THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND,

Member States of the European Union and signatories of the Convention drawn up on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union on the use of information technology for customs purposes, of 26 July 1995, hereinafter referred to as the 'Convention',

HAVING REGARD to the importance of early application of the Convention;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article K.7 of the Treaty on European Union, the provision of Title VI of that Treaty do not prevent the establishment or development of closer cooperation between two or more Member States in so far as such cooperation does not conflict with, or impede, that provided for in Title VI of the said Treaty;

WHEREAS provisional application between certain Member States of the European Union of the Convention would not conflict with, or impede, the cooperation provided for in Title VI of the Treaty on European Union,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

*Article 1*

For the purposes of this Agreement:

- ‘Convention’ means the Convention drawn up on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union on the use of information technology for customs purposes,
- ‘High Contracting Parties’ means the Member States of the European Union, parties to the Convention,
- ‘Parties’ means the Member States of the European Union, parties to this Agreement.

*Article 2*

The Convention shall apply provisionally between the High Contracting Parties parties to this Agreement as of from the first day of the third month following the deposit of the instrument of approval, acceptance or ratification of this Agreement by the eighth High Contracting Party to do so.

*Article 3*

The transitional provisions necessary for provisional application of the Convention shall be adopted by common accord amongst the High Contracting Parties between which the Convention is to apply provisionally and in consultation with the other High Contracting Parties. During this period of provisional application, the functions of the Committee provided for in Article 16 of the Convention shall be exercised by the High Contracting Parties acting by common accord in close association with the Commission of the European Communities. Article 7 (3) and Article 16 of the Convention shall not be implemented during that period.

*Article 4*

1. This Agreement shall be open for signing by the Member States signatories of the Convention. It shall be subject to approval, acceptance or ratification. It shall enter into force on the first day of the third month following the deposit of the instrument of approval, acceptance or ratification by the eighth High Contracting Party to do so.
2. For any High Contracting Party depositing its instrument of approval, acceptance or ratification at a later date, this Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the third month following such deposit.
3. Instruments of approval, acceptance or ratification shall be deposited with the Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union, who shall act as depositary.

*Article 5*

This Agreement, drawn up in a single original in the Danish, Dutch, English, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Irish, Italian, Portuguese, Spanish and Swedish languages, each text being equally authentic, shall be deposited with the Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union, who shall transmit a certified copy to each of the parties.

*Article 6*

This Agreement shall expire upon entry into force of the Convention.

En fe de lo cual, los plenipotenciarios abajo firmantes suscriben el presente Convenio.

Til bekræftelse heraf har undertegnede befuldmægtigede underskrevet denne konvention.

Zu Urkund dessen haben die unterzeichneten Bevollmächtigten ihre Unterschriften unter dieses Übereinkommen gesetzt.

Σε πίστωση των ανωτέρω, οι υπογράφοντες πληρεξούσιοι έθεσαν την υπογραφή τους κάτω από την παρούσα σύμβαση.

In witness whereof, the undersigned Plenipotentiaries have hereunto set their hands.

En foi de quoi, les plénipotentiaires soussignés ont apposé leurs signatures au bas de la présente convention.

Dá fhianú sin, chuir na Lánchumhachtaigh thíos-sínithe a lámh leis an gCoinbhinsiún seo.

In fede di che, i plenipotenziari sottoscritti hanno apposto le loro firme in calce alla presente convenzione.

Ten blijke waarvan de ondergetekende gevoldmachtigden hun handtekening onder deze overeenkomst hebben gesteld.

Em fé do que, os plenipotenciários abaixo assinados apuseram as suas assinaturas no final da presente coñvenção.

Tämän vakuudeksi alla mainitut täysivaltaiset edustajat ovat allekirjoittaneet tämän yleissopimuksen.

Til bekræftelse härav har undertecknade befullmäktigade ombud undertecknat denna konvention.

Hecho en Bruselas, el veintiseis de julio de mil novecientos noventa y cinco, en un ejemplar único, en lenguas alemana, inglesa, danesa, española, finesa, francesa, griega, gaélica, italiana, neerlandesa, portuguesa y sueca, cuyos textos son igualmente auténticos y que será depositado en los archivos de la Secretaría General del Consejo de la Unión Europea.

Udfærdiget i Bruxelles den seksogtyvende juli nitten hundrede og femoghalvfems, i ét eksemplar på dansk, engelsk, finsk, fransk, græsk, irsk, italiensk, nederlandsk, portugisisk, spansk, svensk og tysk, hvilke tekster alle har samme gyldighed, og deponeres i arkiverne i Generalsekretariatet for Rådet for Den Europæiske Union.

Geschehen zu Brüssel am sechsundzwanzigsten Juli neunzehnhundertfünfundneunzig in einer Urtschrift in dänischer, deutscher, englischer, finnischer, französischer, griechischer, irischer, italienischer, niederländischer, portugiesischer, schwedischer und spanischer Sprache, wobei jeder Wortlaut gleichermaßen verbindlich ist; die Urtschrift wird im Archiv des Generalsekretariats des Rates der Europäischen Union hinterlegt.

Έγινε στις Βρυξέλλες, στις είκοσι έξι Ιουλίου χίλια εννιακόσια ενενήντα πέντε, σε ένα μόνο αντίτυπο, στην αγγλική, γαλλική, γερμανική, δανική, ελληνική, ισπανική, ιταλική, ολλανδική, πορτογαλική, σουηδική και φινλανδική γλώσσα, όλα δε τα κείμενα είναι εξίσου αυθεντικά και κατατίθενται στα αρχεία της Γενικής Γραμματείας του Συμβουλίου της Ευρωπαϊκής Ένωσης.

Done at Brussels on the twenty-sixth day of July in the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-five in a single original, in the Danish, Dutch, English, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Irish, Italian, Portuguese, Spanish and Swedish languages, each text being equally authentic, such original remaining deposited in the archives of the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union.

Fait à Bruxelles, le vingt-six juillet mil neuf cent quatre-vingt-quinze, en un exemplaire unique, en langues allemande, anglaise, danoise, espagnole, finnoise, française, grecque, irlandaise, italienne, néerlandaise, portugaise et suédoise, tous ces textes faisant également foi, exemplaire qui est déposé dans les archives du Secrétariat général du Conseil de l'Union européenne.

Arna dhéanamh sa Bhruiséil, an séú lá is fiche de líil sa bhliain míle naoi gcéad nócha a cùig, i scríbhinn bhunaidh amháin sa Bhéarla, sa Danmhairgís, san Fhionlainnis, sa Fhraincis, sa Ghaeilge, sa Ghearmáinis, sa Ghréigis, san Iodáilis, san Ollainnis, sa Phortaingéilis, sa Spáinnis agus sa tSualainnis agus comhúdarás ag na téacsanna i ngach ceann de na teangacha sin; déanfar an scríbhinn bhunaidh sin a thaisceadh i gcartlann Ardrúnaíocht Chomhairle an Aontais Eorpáigh.

Fatto a Bruxelles, addì ventisei luglio mille novecentonovantacinque, in unico esemplare in lingua danese, finlandese, francese, greca, inglese, irlandese, italiana, olandese, portoghese, spagnola, svedese e tedesca, i testi di ciascuna di queste lingue facenti ugualmente fede, esemplare depositato negli archivi del segretariato generale dell'Unione europea.

Gedaan te Brussel, de zesentwintigste juli negentienhonderd vijfennegentig, in één exemplaar, in de Deense, de Duitse, de Engelse, de Finse, de Franse, de Griekse, de Ierse, de Italiaanse, de Nederlandse, de Portugese, de Spaanse en de Zweedse taal, zijnde alle teksten gelijklik authentiek, dat wordt neergelegd in het archief van het Secretariaat-generaal van de Raad van de Europese Unie.

Feito em Bruxelas, em vinte e seis de Julho de mil novecentos e noventa e cinco, em exemplar único, nas línguas alemã, dinamarquesa, espanhola, finlandesa, francesa, grega, inglesa, irlandesa, italiana, neerlandesa, portuguesa e sueca, fazendo igualmente fé todos os textos, depositado nos arquivos do Secretariado-Geral do Conselho da União Europeia.

Tehty Brysselissä kahdenkymmenenentäkuudentena päivänä heinäkuuta vuonna tuhatyh-deksänsataayhdeksänkymmentäviisi yhtenä ainoana kappaleena englannin, espanjan, hollannin, iirin, italian, kreikan, portugalin, ranskan, ruotsin, saksan, suomen ja tanskan kielellä kaikkien näiden tekstien ollessa yhtä todistusvoimaiset, ja se talletetaan Euroopan unionin neuvoston pääsihteeriston arkistoon.

Utfärdad i Bryssel den tjugosjätte juli nittonhundranittiofem i ett enda exemplar, på danska, engelska, finska, franska, grekiska, irländska, italienska, nederländska, portugisiska, spanska, svenska och tyska, varvid alla texter är lika giltiga, och deponerad i arkiven vid generalsekretariatet för Europeiska unionens råd.