

Annex I

Monday, November 03, 2003

**National Trade & Transport Facilitation Committee
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14th November 2003

MINUTES OF FOURTH MEETING OF NTTFC
HELD ON 3RD NOVEMBER 2003

Fourth meeting of NTTFC was held at 10:00 am on 3rd November 2003 in the Conference Room, of FPCCI, Karachi. In the absence of the Secretary Commerce, who had to join the President's delegation visiting China, Mr. S. Irtiqah Ahmed Zaidi, Economic Consultant, Ministry of Commerce chaired the meeting. The list of participants is attached as Annex I. Mr. Javaid Mansoor, Executive Secretary NTTFC, introduced the items on the agenda.

ITEM 1.

SIMPLIFICATION OF DOCUMENTS AND PROCEDURES

a. Implementation of Goods Declaration/Single Administrative Document

Mr. Amir M. Khan Marwat, Collector of Customs, Port Qasim Collectorate reported that the Goods Declaration form was introduced in the Port Qasim Collectorate of Customs as a Pilot Project. It had replaced six different documents used previously. It had resulted in increase of revenue of Port Qasim Collectorate and had been welcomed by the stakeholders, as it could be filled on the computer and the users had been provided the necessary software and training. The Central Board of Revenue had made the necessary amendments in the Customs Act 1969.

Executive Secretary, NTTFC elaborated that the Goods Declaration had already been introduced in all Collectorate of Customs in Karachi and other Collectorate in interior of the country were also taking necessary action to introduce it. Initial training to Customs official and the Customs clearing agents had been provided by UNCTAD at Karachi as well as other Customs stations. However, to ensure correct filing of the Goods Declaration it was important to continue the training. As the present UNCTAD project will be ending on 31st December 2003, the responsibility for the training will have to be taken over by Directorate of Training & Research with support of PRAL.

Decision

Directorate of Training & Research (Customs, Excise & Sales Tax) and PRAL to conduct necessary refresher courses for all Collectorate of Customs and the Customs Clearing Agents to ensure correct filing of the Customs Declaration. Necessary instructions may be issued by the CBR.

b. Implementation of Standard Port Clearance Documents for Ships

A set of five standard documents developed under the International Maritime Organization's Facilitation Convention has been introduced to replace 28 documents previously required to clear a vessel on arrival or departure.

Decision

No further action.

ITEM 2.**DRAFT LEGISLATION ON CARRIAGE OF GOODS****a. Air**

Mr. Sajid Bashir, General Manager Legal, Civil Aviation Authority reported that the draft of the proposed Draft Carriage by Air Act had been discussed with the national air carriers and the UNCTAD National Consultant Law. Final version of draft Act was awaited for submission to Law Division through the Ministry of Defence.

Barrister Zahid U. Jamil, UNCTAD National Consultant Law informed that final draft had been forwarded to the NTTFC Secretariat. Executive Secretary, NTTFC stated that the draft Act will be forwarded to CAA within a day for necessary follow up action.

Decision

CAA may obtain approval of the Ministry of Defence and forward the draft Act to Law Division before the end of November 2003.

b. Sea

UNCTAD International Consultant had drafted the Carriage of Goods by Sea Act incorporating provisions of the Hague Rules. This was not acceptable to the stakeholders in Pakistan. They preferred that in keep with the prevailing international maritime practice the Act should be based on the Hague-Visby Rules. The UNCTAD National Consultant Law had prepared the revised draft accordingly. The draft Act had been discussed in a meeting convened by the Director General, Port & Shipping, which was also attended by Justice (R) Shaiq Usmani. UNCTAD National Consultant Law was to submit the revised draft incorporating the amendments proposed by Justice (R) Shaiq Usmani.

UNCTAD National Consultant Law clarified that the proposed Act had also incorporated the provisions of SDR Protocol and the Electronic Transacts Ordinance 2002. He stated that the amended draft Act will be submitted within the next few days.

Referring to a comment by Cdre. S.H.B. Khamis, Traffic Manager, KPT, Mr. Siraj A. Khan, Regional Manager, Ministry of Information Technology and Telecommunications informed that arrangements had already been made for the digital signature to be certified and registered.

Decision

The finalized draft may be submitted to the Director General, Port & Shipping for getting it approved by the Ministry of Communications for submission to the Law Division.

c. Road

UNCTAD National Consultant Law informed the Draft Carriage of Goods by Road Act was being revised in light of the comments received from the Ministry of Communications, Provincial Governments and the Goods Carriers Association. The revised draft will be ready in about a week for discussion with the stakeholders.

Brig. Niaz Kausar Shaikh, Commandar, NLC pointed out that the private road transport sector was very unorganized and it was very difficult to regulate them. NLC owned a very large road transport fleet and it should be consulted when formulating the law.

Capt. Irfan Naqvi, Deputy CTA, UNCTAD stated that although the private road transport sector is stated to be unorganized, it had responded in most organized manner when discussing the proposed Act.

Collector of Customs, Port Qasim Collectorate pointed out that Pakistan Afghan Transit Trade Agreement imposed certain restrictions on cross-border movement of goods, and it should be referred to CBR for their comments.

The Executive Secretary, NTTFC stated that the proposed Act related to domestic carriage of goods. However, it will be sent to CBR for comments.

Mr. Islam Salim, Chairman, Security Packers stated that the fright forwarders had an important role in organizing road transport and their views should also be taken in consideration.

Engg. M. A. Jabbar, Vice President, FPCCI also emphasized the need for wide circulation of the Act before finalizing it. He further said that the legislation work should not be done in hurry and even after the termination of UNCTAD contract on 31st December 2003, the work could be continued by NTTFC. The Chairman clarified that the final draft Acts are essentially required to be completed by National Consultant Law by end December so that these could be sent to Ministry of Law. He further pointed out that although there is a possibility of starting TTF-II in December 2003, yet the services of National Consultant Law may not be available after 31st December 2003, if the contract with UNCTAD was not extended. The NTTFC will not be able to complete the legislation in the absence of a National Consultant Law.

National Consultant Law stated that he is aware of his responsibility and the work on finalization of the Acts is going satisfactorily. He confirmed that the final draft Acts will be submitted to MoC before 31st December 2003.

Decision

UNCTAD National Consultant should finalize the revised draft within one week. The revised draft Act should be widely circulated amongst the stakeholders and finalized before the end of November after taking into consideration the comments of the stakeholders and submitted to the Ministry of Communications for their approval and processing through the Law Division.

d. Multimodal transport

UNCTAD National Consultant Law advised that he had started work on redrafting the Multimodal Transport of Goods Act and it will be ready for presentation to the Director General Ports & Shipping. A number of participants emphasized the necessity of wider circulation of the draft Act amongst the stakeholders, including the CBR, for their comments before the finalized version is submitted to the Ministry of Communications for approval.

Decision

The revised draft of the Multimodal Transport of Goods Act may be prepared by 15th November 2003 and circulated to all the stakeholders for their comments. The final draft should be ready by the First week of December 2003 for submission to the Ministry of Communications for approval and onward submission to Law Division for necessary processing.

e. Rail

Mrs. Nasreen Haque, Chief Operating Superintendent, Pakistan Railways informed that although previously Pakistan Railways had previously stated that their infrastructure was not ready for the proposed Act to be adopted, it had now proposed certain amendments to the draft of the Carriage of Goods by Rail Act. They would like these amendments to be incorporated in the proposed draft Act and the revised draft discussed with Pakistan Railways before finalizing it. Chairman said that he was glad that the Ministry of Railways has agreed to adopt new draft Act.

Decision

The revised draft Act may be prepared by 30th November 2003 and discussed with Pakistan Railways to finalize the agreed draft Act by 15th December 2003.

Concern was expressed that if the draft acts cannot be sent off to the Law Ministry by 31 December 2003, when the UNCTAD contract ends, it will be a setback because no one will be looking after the texts. If this process cannot be completed before the end of the year, the Ministry of Commerce should undertake substitute arrangement, as there are sufficient funds available in the Project to support trade facilitation activities, being one the WTO "Singapore issues."

The procedure for processing legislation would be that ministry concerned will send to the Ministry of Law with the support of the Ministry of Commerce and the latter will follow up to the National Assembly.

The Chair indicated that the Ministry would likely take a decision about future of trade facilitation project following the Trade and Transport Facilitation Conference, scheduled to be held in Karachi on 6 December 2003.

ITEM 3.
STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR CONTRACT OF CARRIAGE OF GOODS

A draft of the standard terms and conditions for the road sector was submitted by the UNCTAD International Consultant but this will need to be modified by National Consultant the according to the final draft of the Carriage by Road Act.

Decision

The Standard Terms and Conditions for Contract of Carriage of Goods by Road may be finalized after discussion with the stakeholders by 15 December 2003.

ITEM 4.
MINIMUM STANDARD OF PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATION; MODERN STANDARD TRADING CONDITIONS; AND CODE OF CONDUCT FOR FREIGHT FORWARDERS.

The minimum standard of professional qualifications, standard trading conditions and the code of conduct for freight forwarders had been finalized and submitted to PIFFC for implementation.

Mr. Babar Badat, Director, PIFFC stated that the documents had been submitted to the President, FPCCI for his approval prior to implementation. He stated that to streamline the structure of PIFFC an education and training program had been initiated. Four training institutions had been selected and UNCTAD had trained 13 instructors from these institutions to train the freight forwarders.

Decision

Approval of the President, FPCCI may be expedited to implement the minimum standard of freight forwarders, modern standard trading conditions and the code of conduct for freight forwarders.

ITEM 5.
DRAFT MARINE INSURANCE ACT.

The Executive Secretary, NTTFC reported that the Insurance Association of Pakistan had stated that it does not support introduction of Marine Insurance Act as this could lead to serious consequences for the insurance industry in Pakistan. Ministry of Commerce had therefore decided not to proceed further with this Act.

Decision

No further action.

ITEM 6.**STREAMLINING OF FINANCIAL AND BANKING PROVISIONS RELATED TO FOREIGN TRADE****a. Streamlining of internal procedures for documentary collection and adoption of International Standard Banking Practice document.**

Executive Secretary, NTTFC reported that a large number of senior banking officials and senior executives from trade and industry had been trained by conducting 3 workshops on UCP and eUCP and 3 workshops on International Standard Banking Practice.

Decision

Since work on this item has been completed therefore, no further action is required.

b. Recommendations on exchange control procedure for exports

The Executive Secretary, NTTFC reported that to substitute Form E with the Goods Declaration the data to be transferred by Pakistan Customs to the State Bank of Pakistan had been identified and the procedure for exchange of data had been agreed between PRAL and SBP. Certain amendments in the Foreign Exchange Regulations Act, SBP notifications and the Foreign Exchange Manual were also required. These had been communicated to SBP for consideration.

Mr. Samar Hasnain, Joint Director, SBP informed that the SBP Legal Department had some reservations regarding elimination of Form E. They considered some declaration by the exporter to repatriate the foreign exchange to be essential. The matter was being examined. On a query from the Chair, the Joint Director, SBP promised to respond in a couple of weeks.

Decision

The State Bank of Pakistan may resolve the issue by 30th November 2003, the latest.

ITEM 7.**ADVICE ON INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS ON CUSTOMS, TRANSPORT AND TRADE****a. TIR Convention**

Executive Secretary, NTTFC informed that to put the TIR Carnet scheme in practice a national road haulage association had to become the authorized guarantor and issuer of TIR in accordance with the administrative procedure of International Road Transport Union (IRU). The President, FPCCI had nominated the Chairman, PIFFC to work out the arrangements for a national road haulage association to become the authorized guarantor and issuer of TIR Carnet.

Mr. Babar Badat, Director PIFFC stated that so far they had not been able to make the necessary arrangements.

Mr. Islam Salim, Chairman, Security Packers informed that during his recent visit to UNCTAD, Geneva he had discussed the TIR Carnet with the officials of IRU. He had been informed that for an association of transporters to be accepted as an authorized guarantor it should have been in operation for 3 years.

Mr. Tariq Rangoonwala, Chairman, ICC Pakistan stated that this requirement could probably be overcome if a custodian organization with coalition of several stakeholders could be formed.

Mr. Amir M. Khan Marwat, Collector Customs pointed out that before introducing TIR Carnet system an amendment to Customs Act might be required, as at present there were 18 items on the negative list of transit trade to Afghanistan.

Mr. Douglas J. Cruickshank, UNCTAD International Consultant on Logistic Security pointed out that implementation of TIR system was of vital importance for trade to Central Asian States through Pakistan. TIR Carnet system was working efficiently in Iran for the transit trade to the Central Asian States.

The Chairman informed that a meeting was being held in the Ministry of Commerce, Islamabad on 5th November 2003 to deliberate on nomination of National Guaranteeing Organization for ATA Carnet and TIR Carnet. He invited Director PIFFC to attend the meeting.

Decision

PIFFC may pursue arrangements for issue of TIR Carnet in light of the discussions in Islamabad on 5th November 2003.

b. Transport Conventions

The Executive Secretary, NTTFC informed that when the proposed draft Carriage by Air Act 2003 and the draft Carriage of Goods by Sea Act are enacted it would be advisable for the Government of Pakistan to ratify the related International Convention.

Decision

- 1) On enactment of the draft Carriage by Air Act the Civil Aviation Authority may take appropriate action to ratify the Montreal Convention for the Unification of Certain Rules for International Carriage by Air.
- 2) On enactment of the draft Carriage of Goods by Sea Act the Director General Port & Shipping may take appropriate action for acceding to the Brussels Convention for the Unification of Certain Rules of Law Relating to Bill of Lading as amended by the 1968 and 1979 Protocols (the Hague-Visby Rules)

c. Logistic security requirements of principal trading partners.

Mr. Douglas Cruickshank, UNCTAD International Consultant on Logistic Security stated that he had started discussion with the stakeholders to assess the measures

that may be adopted for addressing the logistic security issues. The International Ship and Port Facility Security (ISPS) Code introduced by the International Maritime Organization (IMO) under the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) Convention was coming in force on 1st July 2004. Arrangements were being made with IMO to conduct a seminar on the subject in December 2003 to train the stakeholders in implementation of the Code.

The Container Security Initiative (CSI) introduced by US Customs Service was now in place and all the containers moving to USA were now being screened at about 20 hub ports. Similar requirements were being introduced by the European Community and other developed nations like Australia and Japan. To ensure that international trade of Pakistan was not hampered, appropriate measures have to be introduced in Pakistan at the earliest. He was examining how this could be achieved most economically.

Mr. Tariq Rangoonwala, Chairman, ICC Pakistan stated that this would require installation of containers screening equipment at the ports, container terminals and the dry ports. Efficient equipment was very expensive. However, if the international financing agencies were approached the necessary funds could become available.

Mr. Rahat ul Ain, Director General, Export Promotion Bureau, stated that EPB keeps reviewing non-tariff barriers, and is prepared to look at the problem and negotiate with international agencies to overcome this difficulty.

Brig. Niaz Kausar Sheikh, Commander, NLC stated that NLC has been given permission to install screening machines at the transit points.

Decision

- 1) The seminar on ISPS Code by IMO may be conducted in December 2003.
- 2) UNCTAD International Consultant Logistic Security should submit a comprehensive report outlining the measures to be adopted to meet the requirements of ISPS Code and CSI

ITEM 8.

ESTABLISHMENT OF TRADE POINT AT EPB, KARACHI AND SMEDA LAHORE

Dr. Yousuf Junaid, Director EPB stated that space for the Trade Point had been allocated on the ground floor of EPB office, process for selection of personnel was in progress, and the equipment will be purchased after the personnel were appointed. EPB will then be in a position to go ahead with establishment of the Trade Point. On a query by the Chair about a tentative date of establishment of Trade Point in EPB, Mr. Rahat ul Ain replied that the delay in recruitment of personnel is hampering the establishment of Trade Point.

Mr. Khalid Kaif, Regional Head Punjab, SMEDA stated SMEDA was at present in the process of implementing a UNIDO assisted project for Industrial Information Network (IIN). The hardware required for the Trade Point is similar to IIN. SMEDA expects to be able to operate the Trade Point within the IIN framework.

Decision

EPB may take appropriate action to get the Trade Point established and operational. Chairman will help in expediting the recruitment of personnel at appropriate level in MoC.

ITEM 9. **STRENGTHENING OF NTTFC**

(As this topic principally concerned the Ministry of Commerce, FPCCI and the Pakistan Shippers Council, the Chair proposed that the item may be taken up at the end of the meeting those who wished to remain were welcome, but that those having other commitments could leave and thanked them for their participation.)

The Chair invited the UNCTAD Chief Technical Adviser (CTA) to summarise the recommendations concerning the NTTFC prepared at the request of the Pakistan Shippers Council. The CTA observed that among the some thirty countries where he has worked with the national trade facilitation bodies, no two were organised or financed in the same way. There is no "best" approach to institutionalising trade facilitation; it depends upon local circumstances and resources. While the suggestions made were considered improvements over the current situation, this did not preclude other arrangements from being as good or better.

This was the first NTTFC meeting to be held since the current UNCTAD CTA assumed his post in late January 2003. Earlier attempts to convene the NTTFC were postponed due to the unavailability of the Chairman. The structure of the NTTFC should be more flexible by having either a co-chairman or vice chairman/men, who can ensure that meetings run as scheduled. He elaborated on his proposals which were discussed at length by Engr. M.A. Jabbar, Vice President, FPCCI, Mr. A. Rasheed Janmohammad, Chairman, PSC, Mr. Tariq Rangoonwala, Chairman, ICC Pakistan, Executive Secretary, NTTFC and the Chair. A consensus was reached on the following modifications:

- Two Vice Chairmen be designated to support the Chairman. To reaffirm the "public-private partnership," one Vice Chairman should be designated from the MoC and another from FPCCI.
- The NTTFC membership be re-notified to include the Pakistan Bankers Association, the Small & Medium Enterprise Development Authority, Pakistan International Airlines, and the Pakistan Horticulture Development & Export Board. The Secretariat to continue to invite other bodies to participate as appropriate by special invitation.
- "Observer" status to be offered to international financial institutions and technical assistance bodies supporting trade and transport facilitation in Pakistan such as World Bank, ADB, EU, DFID etc.

- The Memorandum of Understanding between the Ministry of Commerce and the Pakistan Shippers Council of FPCCI be renegotiated to enable a sharing of the NTTFC Secretariat costs between the public and private sectors, likely drawing upon the Export Development Fund.
- The NTTFC to meet quarterly and issue an annual report.
- Subcommittees or working groups to be established as required with assistance from the NTTFC Secretariat. The results and recommendations of the working groups to be addressed to the full Committee for action, decision or information.
- TTFP to support a basic refurbishment of the NTTFC secretariat offices.

Decision

Appropriate action on the above recommendations will be taken by Project Director, TTF Project after approval by the Secretary Commerce / Chairman NTTFC.

ITEM 10. TRAINING IN THE FIELD OF TRADE FACILITATION

The Executive Secretary, NTTFC reported that with the training of Customs officials, Customs agents and PRAL staff in the use of Goods Declaration training of banking officials and executives of trade and industry in UCP, eUCP and International Standard Banking Practices; and training of trainers in freight forwarding from the selected training institutions the task assigned to UNCTAD by the Ministry of Commerce under this objective had been completed.

Decision

No further action

ITEM 11. STUDY OF REFRIGERATED TRANSPORT AND COLD STORAGE OF FRESH PRODUCE

Mr. Will Keenan, Chief Technical Advisor, UNCTAD reported that the UNCTAD international consultant, supported from national consultants carried out two missions to Pakistan in January and June 2003. While a considerable amount of data has been collected through interviews and other research, it has proven more difficult than expected to develop the "bankable document" requested by the Ministry of Commerce. Work continues on this activity.

Decision

A comprehensive report on refrigerated transport of fresh produce may be submitted before the end of November 2003.

ITEM 12.
PAKISTAN POSITION PAPER ON WTO TRADE FACILITATION ISSUES

The Executive Secretary, NTTFC reported that the Pakistan Paper had been presented by UNCTAD Chief Technical Advisor to the Joint Secretary (WTO), Ministry of Commerce for discussions on trade facilitation in September 2003 World Trade Organization Ministerial Meeting in Cancun, Mexico.

Chairman informed that appropriate action had already been taken by the Ministry of Commerce.

Engineer M. A. Jabbar, Vice President, FPCCI asked for a copy of the paper to be provided to FPCCI.

Decision

- 1) A copy of the Position Paper on WTO may be provided to the Vice President, FPCCI by UNCTAD Chief Technical Advisor.
- 2) No further action.

ITEM 13.
ADDITIONAL WORK TO BE EXECUTED UNDER THE TRADE AND TRANSPORT FACILITATION PROJECT

CTA, UNCTAD stated that the present project was due to come to end on 31st December 2003. The work on Logistic Security and transit transport issues will need to be continued for a much longer period. The developments in IT technology were resulting in much greater use of IT in international trade and transport. Much work needed to be done to prepare the trade, industry and transport sector to meet the emerging challenges.

End of the project conference had been scheduled on 6th December 2003, in which the work already done under the project and the potential for additional work that may be taken on will be discussed.

Decision

Status of the project will be decided in the tripartite review meeting to be held in December 2003.

ITEM 14.
ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Trade documents

The Executive Secretary, NTTFC informed that UNCTAD was at present preparing an inventory of documents used in Pakistan for international trade transactions with a view to aligning them with the International Standards. The Certificate of Origin had already been designed in accordance with the UN Layout Key and circulated to various

Chambers of Commerce and Industry for adoption. The Pakistan Standards and Quality Control Authority (PSQCA) should be taking the leading role in introducing documents according to International Standards adopted in Pakistan.

Dr. S. Khakan Hasan, Director General, PSQCA stated that the ISO standards had been adopted by Pakistan and these should be no problem in adopting ISO standard documents. He undertook to nominate an officer to co-ordinate with NTTFC to identify the relevant standards for appropriate action.

Decision

The Director General PSQCA may nominate an officer to collaborate with NTTFC Secretariat for introduction of trade and transport related standards.

There being no other business the meeting closed with thanks to the Chair and the participants.

Javaid Mansoor
Executive Secretary

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