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To: DUMISANI SIBAYI; Nicholas Wiltshire
Date: 2013/02/12 08:36 AM
Subject: Re: Customs plan of action

CC: AZOLA MKOSANA; DANIEL PHILLIPS; LYNN ABRAHAMS; NOLITHA NGCAI; Nolith...
Dear Nic

Thank you for your concise response. The List of Types of Heritage Objects(the List) was forwarded to Customs shortly after the meeting last year, both to place the List or a revised version thereof on the Customs Prohibited and Restricted Goods List as well as for their information/reference purposes. Unfortunately, despite us following up, there has not been any feedback from them as yet.

I accept your view that there is no need for any integration with SAHRA and Customs IT and that the HOU can do the SAHRIS training required. However, I would like to request you to keep an open mind just in case there is a need for any consultation/clarification or any requests from Customs IT that the HOU may not be able to deal with.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Regards

Regina

>>> Nicholas Wiltshire 2/11/2013 4:44 PM >>>

Hi Regina - thank you very much for your clear report and Customs Action Plan.

I will keep my comments specific to the SAHRIS section only:

1. SARS/Customs officials can already access permits on SAHRIS online. They will only need internet access to accomplish this.
2. I would highly recommend that you upload a digital version to SAHRIS of your 'types of heritage objects' which should not be exported without a permit. We can create a user-friendly page under your unit or another appropriate place on the site where customs officials can check items against your list. The list must have good examples of photos and other important information.

There is therefore no need to create any special integration with their IT systems - your training will cover the steps they need to take to find SAHRIS on the web, how to check the permit and how to see the list of objects they should be looking out for if they do not have the paper based pamphlet on hand.

Kind regards
Nic

>>> REGINA ISAACS 01/02/2013 16:27 >>>

Dear Dumisani

Please see report of meeting held with Customs Officials as well as plan of action drafted thereafter.

It would be appreciated if you could ensure that the Acting CEO is made aware that she should initiate a meeting with DAC to facilitate Ministerial relations between DAC and SARS for SAHRA to fulfill its mandate concerning the role of Customs regarding the management of heritage objects that may not be exported without a permit from SAHRA.

I have copied Telana in to bring to her attention the need to draft the MOU between SAHRA and Customs/SARS as well as Nic to begin the process of linking SAHRIS and Customs networks concerning permits.

The HOU shall take forward the rest of the functions.

I look forward to everyone concerned's co-operation.

Regards

Regina

>>> LYNN ABRAHAMS 2/1/2013 11:22 AM >>>

Hi Regina,

Attached is the Customs plan of action. Hope this will be in order.

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Please do not hesitate to contact the IT Staff, should you need more assistance,

Kind Regards
Lynn