Opinion of the Romanian Chamber of Deputies on the Communication from the Commission and the European Parliament First Biennial Report on Progress in Developing the EU Customs Union and its Governance COM(2018) 524

The Chamber of Deputies:

- 1. Underlines the importance of transparency and clarity of customs procedures on the import of goods which are aimed at niche or less well-known European markets, especially those which are highly perishable.
- 2. Recommends that the Customs Policy Group periodically carry out consultations with economic operators in order to identify in advance and remove any obstacles to the effective conduct of customs procedures.
- 3. Recommends explaining in detail the possible special customs procedures for cooperation with third countries on scientific and innovative products, as well as on the pooling of prototypes.
- 4. Considers that the use of Union scientific research programmes to identify early and efficiently combat cross-border threats and fraud using Internet of Things, data analysis, artificial intelligence and blockchain technology would be welcome.