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Health systems and products
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SYSTEMS OF TRACEABILITY AND SECURITY FEATURES FOR TOBACCO PRODUCTS COUNTRY VISIT TO IRELAND

Date: 18 October 2018

Meeting venue: Hibernian Conference Centre, Dublin Castle

– SUMMARY RECORD –

On 18 October 2018, SANTE/B2 carried out a country visit to Ireland. The agenda included two meetings in Dublin, both hosted by the Irish Tax and Customs Administration. The first meeting took the form of a closed session for the Irish officials from the relevant departments from the Irish Public Administration. The second meeting was open to the Irish stakeholders (manufacturers and wholesalers). Both meetings were chaired by the representative of the Revenue Commissioners and aimed at assisting the Irish authorities and relevant stakeholders in the application of the secondary legislation on systems of traceability and security features for tobacco products.

Closed meeting with the Irish Public Administration

The Chair gave an overview of the implementation of the TPD secondary legislation in Ireland. SANTE made a presentation on the general structure of the track and trace system. During and after the presentations a number of questions concerning the establishment and future functioning of the system were discussed. Main topics were: competent authority, resource implications, appointment of an ID Issuer and sealed sales units (vending machines).

Open session with industry stakeholders

After the welcome by the Chair, SANTE gave a presentation on the general structure of the track and trace system. In addition the following points were discussed: security

features for duty free sales, invoices covering tobacco and other products, vending machines, vending vans, cash and carry operations, data security, deactivation of unique identifiers, and identification of facilities operated by logistic operators.

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Stakeholders participating in the open session

Stakeholder	Activity
BWG Foods	Distributor
Musgraves	Distributor
Primeline	Distributor
TVL	Distributor
Convenience Stores & Newsagents Association (CSNA)	Industry Association
John Player	Importer
JTI	Importer
PJ Carroll/BAT	Importer
PMI	Importer
New Vend Ltd	Provider
The Decent Cigar Emporium	Provider
Tobaccoland	Provider
DLRS	Solution Provider