Standard Project Fiche

1. Basic Information

1.1 CRIS Number (Year 1): BG 2005/017-353.08.01

1.2 Title: Strengthening of the Customs Control on the Future EU External Borders and in the area of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP)

1.3 Sector: Customs and Finance

1.4 Location: Bulgaria, National Customs Agency (NCA)

1.5 Duration:

**Phase 1: Programming year 2004**
Sub-Project 1 Strengthening of the customs control on the future EU external borders:
Duration of Component 1: 24 months (8 months contracting, 15 months period of execution and 1 month closure);
Duration of Component 2: 7 months (3 months contracting, 3 months period of execution and 1 month closure);
Duration of Component 3: 16 months (9 months contracting, 6 months period of execution and 1 month closure, after the end of the period of execution there will be a 6-month warranty period);

Sub-Project 2 Development of a system for control of the import and export of agricultural goods in accordance with the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP):
Duration of Component 1: 30 months (10 months call for proposals, selection of partner and drafting of Twinning Covenant and 20 months legal duration within which 18 months implementation);

**Phase 2: Programming year 2005**
Sub-Project 1 Strengthening of the customs control on the future EU external borders:
Duration of Component 4: 21 months (8 months contracting, 12 months period of execution and 1 month closure, a guarantee period of 12 months is foreseen);
Duration of Component 5: 21 months (8 months contracting, 12 months period of execution and 1 month closure)
Duration of Component 6: 16 months (9 months contracting, 6 months period of execution and 1 month closure, after the end of the period of execution there will be a 12-month warranty period)

Sub-Project 2 Development of a system for control of the import and export of agricultural goods in accordance with the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP):
Duration of Component 2: 6 months (3 months contracting, 2 months period of execution and 1 month closure)
Duration of Component 3: 16 months (9 months contracting, 6 months period of execution and 1 month closure, after the end of the period of execution there will be a 12-month warranty period)

**Phase 3: Programming year 2006**
Sub-Project 1 Strengthening of the customs control on the future EU external borders:
Duration of Component 7: 16 months (9 months contracting, 6 months period of execution and 1 month closure, after the end of the period of execution there will be a 12-month warranty period)
2. **Objectives**

2.1 **Overall Objective(s):**

Efficient customs control on the future EU external borders and in the area of CAP

2.2 **Project purpose:**

NCA capacity for performing improved customs control and for the future implementation of CAP

2.3 **Accession Partnership (AP) and NPAA priority (and implementing measures envisaged by the Action plan for AP priorities related to strengthening the administrative and judicial capacity)**

In the annex of COUNCIL DECISION of 19 May 2003 on the principles, priorities, intermediate objectives and conditions contained in the Accession Partnership with Bulgaria (2003/396/EC), point 4 Priorities, Customs, is stated the following:

“...- Upgrade customs laboratories as well as infrastructure and equipment at customs clearance points;
Implement the Strategy for rationalisation of border operations;
Take steps to prepare for implementation, at the time of accession, of customs measures and provisions that will not be introduced until then.”

**Road maps for Bulgaria and Romania,** Brussels, 13.11.2002

COM (2002) 624

**Chapter 25: Customs Union**

**Short-term priorities**

Bulgaria should focus further efforts on continued implementation of the Business Strategy, which is of great importance with a view to ensuring the necessary administrative and operational capacity to implement of the acquis.

**Medium term priorities**

Strengthen operational and administrative capacity of customs administration and ensure a satisfactory level of IT capacity.

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In order to complete preparations for membership, Bulgaria’s efforts should now focus on continued implementation of the business strategy, which is of great importance with a view to ensuring the necessary administrative and operational capacity to implement the acquis.

Further improvement of revenue collection, controls (including post-clearance controls) and enforcement should remain a priority for Bulgaria.

2.4 **Contribution to National Development Plan (and/or Structural Funds Development Plan/SDP)**

Not applicable.

2.5 **Cross Border Impact**

Not applicable.
3. Description

3.1 Background and justification:

**Sub-Project 1 Strengthening of the customs control on the future EU external borders:**

In order to implement the major tasks and objectives, laid down in the strategic documents for development of the Bulgarian Customs Administration (BCA), and based on the progress made so far, the National Customs Agency (NCA) attaches great importance to areas, such as the harmonization of the Bulgarian customs legislation with the *acquis communautaire*, strengthening the administrative capacity and the implementation of the functions for control of the future external borders. The Strategy for Rationalisation of the Bulgarian Customs Administration’s Border Operations in the Period 2001-2006 and the Detailed Implementation Plan for the Strategy are the main relevant documents in this area, which will be updated if the need arises.

In the area of border control NCA should also plan its activities within the overall framework of the control of the borders of Bulgaria, as within Chapter 24 “Justice and Home Affairs” in the National Action Plan for Adoption of the Schengen Acquis is envisaged as an obligation for Bulgaria to develop a Strategy for Integrated Management of the Borders of the Republic of Bulgaria at national level. The Strategy is planned to be ready by the end of 2005. The cooperation between the institutions is implemented at national level by the Interdepartmental Council on the Matters of the BCP, headed by the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Transport and Communications (members include Deputy ministers of the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, the Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works, the Ministry of Economy, the Ministry of Transport and Communication, the Ministry of Environment and Water, the Ministry of Health). The institutions responsible for the development of this Strategy are the Institutions represented in the Interdepartmental Council. This new Strategy will help in coordination of the future activities and plans of the different Bulgarian institutions engaged in the implementation of the border control, including the National Customs Agency.

The benefits of efficient and effective border management are obvious: it will enable the citizens to live in a space of security and freedom where their business can trade more easily across borders and where they can travel more easily across borders. Bulgarian agencies (especially for customs and border control) must cooperate more if border crossings are to be made more efficient in terms of both flows of trade and people and of controlling cross-border crime. Border management problems cannot be solved through actions in the border alone, they must involve actions elsewhere within the country. For example, trade will not automatically increase across any border simply by improving crossing facilities; one must also address the national customs operations and other trade facilitation measures.

Integrated border management will help Bulgaria to use better its scarce resources in this area by tackling in a comprehensive way the identified interrelated problems of trade and traffic bottlenecks at border crossings, of insecurity, crime and smuggling across borders. At its heart, integrated border management involves two key processes: cooperation and strategic planning.

NCA intends to develop Border management plans for the country border points. The border management plans will outline which border crossing points will be active after the Bulgaria’s accession to the EU and will show what type of customs checks will be performed at each of these BCPs.

One important area of the Integrated Border Control, where NCA requires assistance, is the control on the trade with weapons and possible dual-use goods and technologies, especially in view of the importance of the presence of an efficient control in this area in the spotlight of
the international fight against terrorism. The strategic interests of Bulgaria coincide with those of the wide international community that provides a growing support to the establishment of a suitable model for cooperation and information exchange in this field. This task has been envisaged in the Strategy for rationalisation of the Bulgarian Customs Administration’s Border Operations in the Period 2001-2006 and the Detailed Implementation Plan for the Strategy.

The Government has undertaken measures for improvement of the control and activities related to illicit trade in weapons and possible dual-use goods and technologies. The Law on Control of the Foreign Trade Activity in Arms and Dual-Use Goods and Technologies (in force since 1996) sets the conditions and rules for foreign trade in this type of possible dual-use goods and technologies. The Law was amended and supplemented in 2002 in line with Council Regulation 2432/2001 for amendment and up-date of Council Regulation 1334/2000 and Council Regulation 880/2002 amending Regulation 1334/2000, which introduces a Community control regime over the export of dual-use goods and technologies. New Implementing Provisions to the Law have been adopted /State Gazette, issue 115 of 10 December 2002/. The list of products is in a process of actualisation and its approval by the Council of Ministers is imminent.

An Ordinance of the Director General of the National Customs Agency identifies the customs offices authorized to perform customs clearance of military and special products with the purpose of reinforcement of controls on this activity.

The National Customs Agency periodically receives from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs an updated list of countries on which arms and dual-use goods embargo has been imposed on the side of the EU, the United Nations Security Council and the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe.

Within this project a Study of the best EU Member States practices concerning the organization of the control on trade in weapons, possible dual-use goods and technologies and analysis of the legislation in this field will be conducted. Methodological assistance to the NCA officers, seminars in Bulgaria and training in a Member State in line with the EU best practices in the field of control on the trade in weapons and possible dual-use goods and technologies will be provided. The Bulgarian customs officers need practical training in the area of the control of small arms and light weapons that are mainly subject of an illegal trade. Until now such training has not been carried out in the area of the practical organization of the control in this area, implemented by EU. Therefore it will be useful for Bulgarian customs officers to acquaint themselves on the spot in a EU Member State with the organization of the control in this area, in order to put it in practice in Bulgaria. It is also important for the customs officers to acquaint themselves with the real practical application of the measures in the area of the control of weapons and possible dual-use goods and technologies in a EU Member State that possesses the best practices in this area. This will benefit the preparation of the Terms of Reference for the software, as these measures and practices will be implemented in the automation of the control. Software for automation of the activities related to control on trade in weapons will be developed. Customs officers from the CCD and from the relevant customs offices will be trained to administrate and use this software. For security reasons this software will not be an integral part of the Bulgarian Integrated Customs Information System (BICIS), as its integration as a module into BICIS would require a substantial increase in the security requirements for the whole BICIS system.

In relation to the increasing threat of terrorism after 11th September 2001 and the constant changes in the security situation, reflecting in new EU legislation, a continuous training should be conducted in the field of border control. As the EU legislation is continuously being updated, by the end of this project BCA expects that there will be new circumstances, situation, requirements and conditions in the field of customs border control. Due to the fact
that these new legislative acts should be adopted and implemented by the Bulgarian side and that BCA capacity for this task may prove insufficient without the external aid of the Member States this component requires conducting training in Bulgaria as well as in EU Member States with best practices in this area. This will benefit the implementation and future harmonization of the practices in the field of customs control on the entire territory of the EU.

The additional training in EU Member States on the “train the trainers” principle is needed as a continuation to the outputs of the Project Strengthening of the border control capacities BG 02.03.09.01, where a training course based on “train the trainers” principle in the field of border control is foreseen.

The worldwide growth in the trafficking of illegal goods combined with the increasing volume of international travel and trade has encouraged the Bulgarian Customs Administration to examine ways of improving the effectiveness of its enforcement controls while maintaining trade facilitation. Memorandums of understanding (MoUs) between the BCA and trade operators are a valuable mechanism by which a joint customs/business approach to combating customs offences can be achieved. Through MoUs, the NCA can obtain information from trade circles for targeting of high-risk passengers or consignments. These memorandums also provide a framework by which the trade can help the customs authorities by means of alerting them to suspicious shipments or circumstances. MoUs are advantageous to trade operators – increased assistance and information from the trade enables customs to separate and effectively target high-risk traffic thereby allowing the vast bulk of legitimate traffic to flow freely. The increase of trade through MoUs can lead to more accurate targeting resulting in more detection of illicit goods. Other practical benefits such as structured channels of communication and enhanced cooperation are strongly welcomed by customs. The central theme in the MoU programme will be the use of intelligence and the deployment of resources to the highest risk. This philosophy will allow the NCA to dramatically improve effectiveness and efficiency by targeting risk consignments, whilst allowing innocent traffic to flow freely. There is a growing realization that this degree of change can only be achieved with the active participation of legitimate business. As a result only the high-risk passengers and goods will be targeted for examination. From a business perspective this will result in quicker, smoother clearance of legitimate goods through schemes providing simplified procedures.

The project envisages developing a draft model of MoU as well as conducting a training course of liaison officers in a EU Member States in line with the best EU practices in the field of negotiating and servicing MoUs. Guidelines for these officers will be prepared. NCA considers such training necessary for the officers from the BCA in order to see the MoU proper practical application in a EU Member States and how it functions at local level. This could not be achieved by training in Bulgaria.

The Bulgarian Customs Agency has three instructors on training of customs drugs dogs that have been trained in the Customs Dogs School in Bleckede, Germany in 1997. In the past years a number of changes have occurred in the methodology of training customs dogs implemented in Germany, for instance the decision of the Federal Customs Directorate to use for the purposes of the dogs training real quantities of drug substances instead of their substitutes used earlier. In April 2003 three trainers on customs cinology were appointed in “Customs Dogs School” sector within RCD Varna who have worked as dogs handlers, but are not acquainted in detail with the modern methods of the German cinology for training of customs drugs dogs. In reference to the initiation of a comprehensive training process in the newly-opened on 8 December 2003 Customs Dogs School near Balchik (7 training courses with 35 participants planned for 2005) and in view of the necessity to upgrade the methodological knowledge of the instructors at local level and the trainers in the School, the NCA proposes the implementation of a training with total duration of 10 weeks in the
Customs Dogs School in Bleckede, Germany for 6 customs officers: two instructors, three
trainers and an officer from “Customs Intelligence and Investigation – Drugs, Weapons and
Precursors” Department in the Central Customs Directorate.

Supply of equipment for the customs offices at the future EU external borders has also been
envisaged under this Project. The equipment has been planned on the basis of needs analysis
and the specific characteristics of the passenger and freight flows in terms of type and
quantity of goods and intensity of crossings at the specific points have been taken into
account (see Annex 4).

The X-ray equipment and other types of equipment envisaged to be supplied for the
international ports will enable the efficient control of the containers being discharged as well
as a swifter processing of transit goods loaded in sea freight containers.

Part of the X-ray equipment is mobile so that, when necessary, checks on the means of
transport (vehicles) can be performed not only at the border checkpoints but also throughout
the whole customs territory of the country.

The equipment planned to be deployed at the main border checkpoints will permit the
customs officers to check all passing trucks without discharging them as well as bring to the
reduction of the time for control on palletized goods and freight with extra large dimensions
transported as hand baggage. “Freight with extra large dimensions transported as hand
baggage” should be interpreted as baggage with dimensions bigger than: length 55cm, height
40cm, width 20cm and weight up to 10kg /these are the dimensions of baggage, which any
passenger can bring “on board”/. Most often this is baggage carried by the so called “trunk
dealers”. In most cases these baggages are bigger than: length 120-130cm, height 90-100cm,
width 90-100cm and weight over 20-30kg.

The envisaged X-ray equipment for the international airports is in line with the requirements
of Doc. 30 8th Edition September 2001; European Civil Aviation Conference. It will enable
nearly 100 percent control on cargo and passengers hand baggage, which will lead to increase
in the security of flights and prevention of smuggling of goods hidden in cargo containers
and/or the passengers’ hand baggage. Regarding the security of the flights it should be noted
that the different security inspections are performed by different institutional bodies and the
relevant equipment is placed in different zones of the airport.

The usage of the envisaged specialised equipment will create the opportunity to meet the
challenges, which will be imposed on the Community border customs offices by the
globalisation and the increasing trade volumes, to reinforce the EU competition environment
and to provide the necessary protection of the financial interests of its members.

With the Bulgaria’s accession to EU the BCPs located at the international airports, the Black
Sea ports and the Danube river ports will remain operational. Regarding the BCPs located at
the land borders with Romania, Turkey, FYROM and Serbia and Montenegro, these BCPs
will remain operational until these countries become EU Member States. The equipment
requested under the current project is envisaged only for BCPs located at the international
airports, the Black sea ports, the Danube river ports and land borders with Romania, Turkey,
FYROM and Serbia and Montenegro.

The equipment envisaged under this sub-project will cover also part of the needs of the new
BCP Lesovo, planned to be part of Bourgas Regional Customs Directorate. This BCP is
located at the border with Turkey and it is planned to become operational around the end of
May - beginning of June 2005. As per the implementation schedule of this project fiche the
first items of equipment to be supplied to BCP Lesovo under the project will be delivered and
installed in the second half of 2005 at the earliest. Between 90 and 100 customs officers will
be working at the BCP. A procedure for recruitment of new employees has been carried out at
NCA and 35 people have been selected to be employed at BCP Lesovo. Towards February
2005 the successful candidates are attending a training course for customs officers at the
National Training Center. Apart from the newly appointed customs officers the number of staff at BCP Lesovo will be complemented with officers selected among the current NCA personnel. It is expected that about 30% of the current traffic of the heavily overloaded BCP Kapitan Andreevo will be switched to BCP Lesovo.

Sub-Project 2 Development of a system for control of the import and export of agricultural goods in accordance with the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP):

In the process of negotiations for accession to the EU, the Republic of Bulgaria has undertaken clear commitments for complete adoption of the Common Agricultural Policy. They have been set in the negotiations position under Chapter 7 “Agriculture” and programmes have been developed for their implementation in the short (till the end of 2003), middle (till the end of 2004) and long (till the end of 2006) term. In the short and mid-term, the priority activities are related to the introduction in the Bulgarian legislation of the conditions and mechanisms for the CAP implementation, as well as the establishment of the administrative bodies for their management. In order to ensure smooth application of the CAP efforts are made to develop the administrative capacity sufficiently ahead of accession. The responsibilities among the Ministries involved are determined as follows: The system of licensing will be administered by the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry; The existing State Fund Agriculture will be transformed into a Paying and Intervention Agency which will undertake the payment of export refunds, administer the intervention measures and will control the destination of products. The Paying and Intervention Agency will be established by May 2006 (Additional information on the Negotiation position on Chapter 7 CONF-BG 1/04).

The role of the customs administration is focused mainly on the control on the type and composition of goods for the purposes of export refunds and on the determination of the agricultural components on imports of processed products as well as on the control on the various types of documents required within the CAP framework - licenses and certificates. The obligations of the NCA are related to the following Regulations: 386/90 – on monitoring carried out at the time of export of agricultural products receiving refunds or other amounts, 2090/2002 – laying down rules for the application of Regulation 386/90 as regards physical checks carried out when agricultural products qualifying for refunds are exported, 3122/94 – laying down criteria for risk analysis as regards agricultural products receiving refunds; and functions of carrying out the control and under the following Regulations: 800/99 – laying down common detailed rules for the application of the system of export refunds on agricultural products, 1291/2000 – laying down common detailed rules for the implementation of the system of import and export licenses and advance fixing certificates. Apart from these horizontal regulations the customs will have obligations under the implementation of the provisions for processed agricultural products (the products not covered by Annex I to the Treaty) as well as under the regulations setting the common market organization of various agricultural products. The Customs Laboratory to the NCA shall control the composition of processed agricultural goods (as stated in the Negotiating position to Chapter 7 – Non Annex I Products – CONF-BG 43/01). In view of the schedule for implementation of the commitments undertaken the Bulgarian Customs Agency should be ready to take on its functions in accordance with the introduction of the separate CAP measures in the Bulgarian legislation – till the end of 2005 – concerning the export refunds and till the end of 2006 – concerning the processed products.

Currently the level of readiness of the Bulgarian Customs Agency for fulfillment of the above-mentioned functions in terms of administrative and technical capacity is low. There is no knowledge of the different types of CAP measures and the mechanisms for their implementation. There is no clarity on the functions of customs in the process of CAP implementation. There is, also, no clarity on the principles and criteria on which the customs
control on imports and exports of products under CAP is based, including risk analysis. Methods for laboratory analysis applied in the EU for the purposes of CAP have not been studied and developed. The customs laboratory does not have the equipment necessary for the purpose. One of the main prerequisites for dealing with these difficulties is the development of legislative regulations setting the obligations of the customs administration. With this reference the following should be adopted:

- Amendments in the Customs Act and its Implementing provisions to incorporate the specific provisions related to the CAP.
- Legislative regulations introducing the specific European customs practices applied towards CAP products within the various customs regimes and procedures.
- Legislative provisions regulating the actions of customs under the control on CAP products including physical checks and risk analysis.
- Legislative regulations defining the rules and methods of samples taking and the methods for analysis of agricultural products and of processed agricultural products for the purposes of customs control for implementation of trade agreements and the relevant CAP provisions.
- Supplements to legislative regulations in the field of the agricultural policy describing the specific customs activities.
- National instructions for the customs officers for implementation of the specific customs functions for application of the CAP measures.
- Rules for cooperation between authorities competent for the application of the agricultural policy - Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Paying and Intervention agency and National Customs Agency. The leading role will be played by Ministry of Agriculture.

The establishment of the administrative capacity for CAP application should include defining and differentiating the functions of the bodies competent for the application of the agricultural policy. It is necessary, by using the experience of the EU Member States and with the assistance of foreign experts, to develop CAP training modules and to train trainers under CAP, to train the operational customs officers at local level in the Regional training centers, to develop instructions for fulfillment of the specific customs functions, to exchange experience with the EU Member States.

Additional specialised equipment would be necessary for enhancement of the analysis productivity in connection with the administering of CAP regulations, since the volume of activities of analyzing agricultural products samples by the customs laboratories will grow. A part of the expected needs in the area of the laboratory tests for the purposes of the customs controls regarding CAP measures has been covered by the Phare 2003 Project for customs laboratories. A need of additional equipment is expected concerning samples’ preparation activities. The determination of a particular component’s quantity in processed products requires precise and representative homogenization, digestion and extraction treatments of the samples. Additional equipment is considered to be needed in order to cover the expected repeatedly increased volume capacity for particular tests.

Following the recommendations in the Regular Report for 2004 of the European Commission, the Action Plan for 2005 to the Strategy for Faster EU Accession Negotiations, adopted by the Council of Ministers, includes the following two measures concerning the preparation of the competent authorities for CAP implementation:

Preparation of analysis and proposal of a schedule for legal and administrative changes in relation to determination of specific functions and distinction of respective responsibilities of each of the authority involved in the administration of CAP Trade Mechanisms.

Conclusion of Cooperation Agreements between the authorities involved in the administration of CAP measures.

By an Order of the Minister of Agriculture and Forestry a Working Group comprising representatives from the authorities involved has been established for the implementation of
the measures included in the Action Plan for 2005. Two experts from BCA participate in the Working group.

3.2 Sectoral rationale

3.2.1 Identification of projects

Not applicable

3.2.2 Sequencing

Not applicable

3.3 Results:

Purpose: NCA capacity for performing improved customs control and for the future implementation of CAP.

Sub-Project 1 Strengthening of the customs control on the future EU external borders:

Results for phase 1:

Component 1: Improvement of the administrative capacity for the customs border control of the BCA

1.1 The administrative capacity in the field of the control on trade in weapons, possible dual-use goods and technologies enhanced.

1.1.1 Study of the best EU Member States practices concerning the organization of the control on trade in weapons and possible dual-use goods and technologies carried out.

1.1.2. Analysis carried out of the legislation in the field of control on trade in weapons and possible dual-use goods and technologies and control on trade in small arms and light weapons.

1.1.3. Seminars carried out in Bulgaria for customs officers from the NCA on the implementation of the EU best practices in the field of control on the trade in weapons and possible dual-use goods and technologies.

1.1.4. Training conducted in an EU Member State for customs officers from the NCA on the practical implementation of the measures in the field of control on the trade in weapons and possible dual-use goods and technologies.

1.1.5. Seminars carried out in Bulgaria for customs officers from the NCA on the implementation of the EU best practices in the field of control on the trade in small arms and light weapons.

1.1.6 Training conducted in a EU Member State for customs officers from the NCA on the practical implementation of the measures in the field of control on the trade in small arms and light weapons.

1.1.7. The following documents developed and approved by NCA management:

- Programme for the organization of the customs control activities concerning the trade in weapons, possible dual-use goods and technologies and the trade in small arms and light weapons;

- Guidebook for the customs officers on the control on weapons and possible dual-use goods and technologies;

- Terms of Reference for: development of software for automation of the activities related to control on trade in weapons and for customs officers from the NCA to work with the IT system developed.

1.2 Developed Plans for border management for the country border points with the purpose of identifying their needs after the accession of the Republic of Bulgaria to the European Union.

1.2.1. Current situation assessed at the future outer borders of the enlarged EU.

1.2.2. Drafted model for border management plans.
1.2.3. Developed border management plans.
1.3. Developed Memorandum of Understanding Programme with the trade operators in the field of customs intelligence and investigation.
1.3.1. Drafted model of MoUs – guidelines adapted to suit the particular company/association and the chosen scope in relation to the EU best practices in the area of MoU; negotiation process related to the signing of MoU explained and adopted.
1.3.2. Training course carried out for liaison officers in a EU Member States in line with the EU best practices in the area of negotiating and servicing MoUs.
1.3.3. Guidelines drafted for MoU liaison officers.
1.4. Carried out 10 weeks training in the Customs Dogs School in Bleckede, Germany for 6 customs officers: two instructors from Rousse Customs House, three trainers from the Customs Dogs School in Balchik and an officer from “Customs Intelligence and Investigation – Drugs, Weapons and Precursors” Department in the Central Customs Directorate.
1.4.1 Carried out basic training for 6 weeks on the topic of conducting searches for “light” narcotics (hashish, marihuana)
1.4.2 Carried out qualification training for 4 weeks on the topic of conducting searches for “hard” narcotics (opium, heroin, cocaine, amphetamines, ecstasy, “Berlin heroin”)

Component 2: Review and assessment of Technical Specifications for specialized technical equipment for carrying out of efficient customs control:
2.1. Review and assessment of the Technical Specifications for supply of specialised technical equipment carried out.
2.2 Technical Specifications for supply of the necessary specialised equipment under phase 1, phase 2 and phase 3 drafted.

Component 3: Supply of specialised technical equipment
The specialised technical equipment planned to be supplied under phase 1 delivered, tested, operational and the relevant customs officers trained.

Results for phase 2:

Component 4: Realization of the Terms of reference developed under phase 1:
4.1. Software for automation of the control on trade in weapons developed;
4.2. Provided training of customs officers from the NCA to work with the system developed under 4.1.

Component 5: Further improvement of the administrative capacity for implementation of the acquis in the field of customs border control
5.1. Conducted seminars in Bulgaria for customs officers from the CCD and the RCDs with subject “Changes in European legislation in the field of customs border control” in relation to the constant increase of the scope of the acquis in the field of border control.
5.2. Conducted training in EU Member States for customs officers from the CCD and the RCDs on the “train the trainers” principle with subject “Changes in European legislation in the field of customs border control” in relation to the constant increase of the scope of the acquis in the field of border control.

Component 6: Supply of specialised technical equipment
Specialised technical equipment planned to be supplied under phase 2 delivered, tested, operational and the relevant officers trained to work with it.

Results for Phase 3:
Component 7: Supply of specialised technical equipment

The specialised technical equipment planned to be supplied under phase 3 delivered, tested, operational and the relevant officers trained to work with it.

Sub-Project 2 Development of a system for control of the import and export of agricultural goods in accordance with the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP)

Results for phase 1:

Component 1: Development of legal and administrative capacity for introduction, implementation and control of the measures and mechanisms of the CAP
1.1 Prepared analysis on:
- European legislation laying down the responsibilities of customs administration, subject to national adoption in view of its introduction, implementation and control of the mechanisms and measures of the CAP;
- Best practices of EU Member States in the organization of the customs business in administering of the measures and mechanism of the CAP;
- Specific national regulations of some EU Member States, concerning the CAP with the objective of their adoption at national level;
- Regulations, introducing the laboratory-analytic methods used for the CAP’s purposes that should be adopted at national level;
1.2. Reports on analysis made on the situation in Bulgaria in relation to the legislation, the practices and the administrative capacity available with the objective of identifying the gaps and undertaking of the necessary legal and organizational changes.
1.3. Developed drafts of legislative acts and implementation tools covering:
- Regulations dealing with customs control in respect of trade mechanisms and measures of the CAP;
- Regulation for introducing the Nomenclature for export refunds in the national legislation
- Integration in the Bulgarian Integrated Customs Tariff of the measures of the CAP and the conditions for their application;
- Regulations on methods of laboratory analysis, that must apply for the purposes of control of agricultural goods in the field of the CAP and readiness of the Customs laboratories for performing analysis for the purposes of control of agricultural goods.
1.4. Developed drafts of administrative instructions in the field of implementation and control on the CAP.
1.5. Developed business model of the customs controls involved in the CAP.
1.6. Enhanced BCA’s administrative capacity and capability of carrying out customs controls required by the CAP provisions, in particular:
- Developed training plans for customs officers at central and local level, as well as for trainers;
- Theoretically trained customs staff capable to understand the CAP measures requiring customs control;
- Practically trained customs staff capable of application of the measures, such as:
  - Specific methods of laboratory analysis;
  - Customs procedures requiring implementation of control measures.

Results for phase 2:
Component 2: Review and assessment of the draft Technical Specifications for analytical equipment in connection with the implementation of CAP measures:
2.1. Review and assessment of the draft Technical Specifications for supply of analytical equipment in connection with the implementation of CAP measures carried out.
2.2. Final versions of the Technical Specifications for the equipment developed.

Component 3: Supply of laboratory equipment
3.1. Specialised analytical equipment, necessary for carrying out the control of import and export goods under CAP delivered.
3.2. The delivered equipment tested, installed, operational and the relevant customs officers trained to work with it.

3.4 Activities:

Sub-Project 1 Strengthening of the customs control on the future EU external borders:

Activities for phase 1:

Component 1: Improvement of the administrative capacity for customs border control of the BCA
1.1 Enhancement of the administrative capacity in the field of the control on trade in weapons, possible dual-use goods and technologies.
1.1.1. Study of the best EU Member States practices concerning the organization of the control on trade in weapons, possible dual-use goods and technologies.
1.1.2. Carrying out of analysis of the legislation in the field of control on trade in weapons, possible dual-use goods and technologies and control on trade in small arms and light weapons.
1.1.3. Carrying out seminars in Bulgaria for customs officers from the NCA on the implementation of the EU best practices in the field of control on the trade in weapons and possible dual-use goods and technologies.
1.1.4. Providing training in an EU Member State for customs officers from the NCA on the practical implementation of the measures in the field of control on the trade in weapons and possible dual-use goods and technologies.
1.1.5. Carrying out seminars in Bulgaria for customs officers from the NCA on the implementation of the EU best practices in the field of control on the trade in small arms and light weapons.
1.1.6 Providing training in an EU Member State for customs officers from the NCA on the practical implementation of the measures in the field of control on the trade in small arms and light weapons.
1.1.7. Providing of methodological assistance to the customs officers from the CCD and the RCDs in the:
- Development of a Programme for organization of the activity of customs control on trade in weapons, possible dual-use goods and technologies and control on trade in small arms and light weapons;
- Development and endorsement of a Guidebook on the control on trade in weapons, possible dual-use goods and technologies;
- Development of Terms of Reference for: development of software for automation of the activities related to control on trade in weapons and for training of customs officers from the CCD and the relevant customs offices designated for entry, exit, placing under a customs
procedure or customs approved treatment or use, in the field of application of the automated control on weapons.
1.2. Developing of plans for border management for the country border points with the purpose of identifying their needs after the accession of the Republic of Bulgaria to the European Union.
1.2.1. Assessing the current situation at the future outer borders of the enlarged EU, using the Current situation report prepared under BG98-06-02-03.
1.2.2. Drafting a model for border management plans.
1.2.3. Developing border management plans.
These activities will be carried out in cooperation with the other Bulgarian institutions presented at the border, when it is necessary.
1.3. Developing of a Memorandum of Understanding Programme with the trade operators in the field of customs intelligence and investigation.
1.3.1. Drafting a model of MoUs – adaptation and tailoring of guidelines to suit the particular company/association and the chosen scope in relation to the EU best practices in the area of MoU, drafting of an algorithm on how to proceed during the negotiating process and its preparation.
1.3.2. Training of MoU liaison officers – organizing a training course for liaison officers in an EU Member States on the general explanation of MoU concept/objectives/background, on the role of liaison officers, data protection, commercial confidentiality, importance of feedback in line with the EU best practices in the field of negotiating and servicing MoUs.
1.3.3. Drafting of guidelines for MoU liaison officers.
1.4. Organising and carrying out 10 weeks training in the Customs Dogs School in Bleckede, Germany for 6 customs officers: two instructors from Rousse Customs House, three trainers from the Customs Dogs School in Balchik and an officer from “Customs Intelligence and Investigation – Drugs, Weapons and Precursors” Department in the Central Customs Directorate.
1.4.1 Organizing and carrying out basic training for 6 weeks on the topic of conducting searches for “light” narcotics (hashish, marihuana).
1.4.2 Organizing and carrying out qualification training for 4 weeks on the topic of conducting searches for “hard” narcotics (opium, heroin, cocaine, amphetamines, ecstasy, “Berlin heroin”).

Component 2: Review and assessment of Technical Specifications for specialised technical equipment for carrying out of efficient customs control:
2.1. Review and assessment of the Technical specifications for supply of specialised technical equipment.
2.2. Drafting of the final versions of the Technical Specifications for the specialised equipment to be delivered under phase 1, phase 2 and phase 3.

Component 3: Supply of specialised technical equipment:
3.1. Supply of the specialised technical equipment.
3.2. Testing and installation of the equipment and conducting of the necessary training of the relevant customs officers to work with it.
The National Customs Agency, besides the own efforts and the own resources available, envisages:
Service Contract for assistance in:
- the area of control on trade in weapons, possible dual use goods and technologies and control on trade in small arms and light weapons;
- developing border management plans;
- developing of a Memorandum of Understanding Programme with the trade operators in the field of customs intelligence and investigation;
- organising and carrying out 10 weeks of training in the Customs Dogs School in Bleckede for 6 customs officers.


**Activities for phase 2:**

Component 4: Realization of the Terms of reference developed under phase 1:
4.1. Development of software for automation of the control on trade in weapons;
4.2. Providing training of customs officers from the NCA to work with the system developed under 4.1.

Component 5: Further improvement of the administrative capacity for implementation of the acquis in the field of customs border control.
5.1. Conducting of seminars in Bulgaria for customs officers from the CCD and the RCDs with subject “Changes in European legislation in the field of customs border control” in relation to the constant increase of the scope of the acquis in the field of border control.
5.2. Training in EU Member States for customs officers from the CCD and the RCDs on the “train the trainers” principle with subject “Changes in European legislation in the field of customs border control” in relation to the constant increase of the scope of the acquis in the field of border control.

Component 6: Supply of specialised technical equipment:
6.1. Supply of the specialised technical equipment.
6.2. Testing and installation of the equipment and conducting of the necessary training of the relevant customs officers to work with it.

The National Customs Agency, besides the own efforts and the own resources available, envisages:
Service Contract for development of software for automation of the control on trade in weapons and for training of the relevant NCA officers.
Service Contract for improvement of the capacity for implementation of the acquis in the field of border control.

Supply Contract for delivery of specialised technical equipment.

**Activities for Phase 3:**

Component 7: Supply of specialised technical equipment:
7.1. Supply of the specialised technical equipment.
7.2. Testing and installation of the equipment and carrying out of the necessary training of the relevant customs officers to work with it.

The National Customs Agency, besides the own efforts and the own resources available, envisages:
Supply Contract for delivery of specialised technical equipment.
Sub-Project 2 Development of a system for control of the import and export of agricultural goods in accordance with the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP):

**Activities for phase 1:**

**Component 1:** Development of legal and administrative capacity for introduction, implementation and control of the measures and mechanisms of CAP

1.1. Study and analysis of:

- European legislation from customs responsibilities prospective in the following areas:
  - CAP measures and trade mechanisms – (licensing, export refunds, import and export charges, duties for processed goods, compound rates, unit values, reference prices and others) in order to determine the control functions of customs in their management;
  - Procedures and rules for integration and updating of the measures in TARIC, including the Nomenclature of export refunds (Regulation 3846/87) and the peculiarities at its administering and implementation;
  - Customs procedures, applied by the customs administrations of the EU Member States in relation to the administration of the measures resulting from CAP.
- Best practices of EU Member States in the organization of the customs business in administering of the measures and mechanism of CAP in the following fields:
  - scope of the competences and particular duties of the customs authorities in administering of CAP;
  - cooperation and coordination of the actions with other competent bodies in implementation and control of CAP. (In this respect a benefit would be the acquaintance with the functions of the customs administrations in the various Member States in dividing the competences with the other control bodies);
  - control carried out by the customs administrations of the EU Member States on implementation of the measures of CAP:
    - checks, carried out at the moment of putting the goods under customs regime in: internal customs office, premises/stores of the operator, border customs office, including criteria for Risk analysis in selection of goods for physical checks;
    - exchange of information and cooperation with other competent bodies in administering of CAP – in relation to import and export and post clearance and audit.
- National specifics in the implementation and control on the CAP measures on the spot in three of the EU Member States with the purpose of acquainting with the established organization and practical application of the regulations. This is necessary for wider and full understanding of the system and its functioning and is a precondition for achieving higher effectiveness in developing normative acts and national instructions, including training of customs officers in EU Member States;
- Laboratory analysis methods, applied in the EU concerning CAP's products control.

1.2. Analysis of the situation in Bulgaria:

- available developed legislation concerning CAP and administrative capacity outside the customs for its implementation;
- practical activity of the economic operators, their structures built and functions;
- identification of the gaps and discrepancies in the national legislation and the necessity for undertaking legal and organizational changes with the purpose of harmonization with the acquis in the field of CAP;
1.3. Development of draft legal acts and implementation tools for introducing the European legislation and practice concerning the implementation and control of the mechanisms and measures of CAP in accordance with the schedule for its national introduction, covering:

- Regulations dealing with customs control, such as:
  - Customs Act and its Implementing Provisions – amendments in both acts in order to introduce the provisions concerning the control on CAP goods;
  - draft regulation on physical checks at exportation of products subject to refunds (reg. 386/90 – on the monitoring carried out at the time of export of the agricultural products receiving refunds, 2090/2002 – laying down rules for the application of Regulation 386/90 as regards physical checks carried out when agricultural products qualifying for refunds are exported, 3122/94 – laying down the criteria for risk analysis as regards agricultural products receiving refunds);
  - provisions on customs control in draft regulations (laws and second level legislation) for administering/regulation of the agricultural policy.
- Development of a draft legislative regulation for introducing the Nomenclature for export refunds in the national legislation;
- Preparation for and introduction in the Bulgarian Integrated Customs Tariff of the measures of CAP and the conditions for their application, (component duties and Meursing tables);
- Development of draft regulations for introduction of the laboratory analysis methods used for CAP purposes and related training.

1.4. Development of administrative instructions, reflecting the national specifics in the implementation of the CAP measures, including determining export customs offices and exit customs offices for physical checks and substitution checks, processing customs declarations for export of agricultural goods, writing down of the procedures for a physical check of the export in customs offices, in the enterprises of the exporters, in exit customs office; implementation of risk analysis in selection of lots for checks.

1.5. Development of a business model of the control activities in relation to CAP measures carried out by customs administration at central and local level.

1.6. Enhancement of administrative capacity of BCA in order to carry out customs controls required by the CAP provisions, through:

- Development of training plans for customs officers at central and local level, as well as for trainers in the following areas:
  - performing physical checks in internal and border customs offices, as well as in traders’ premises, taking samples and analysis of goods;
  - implementation of the risk analysis in selection of agricultural goods for checking and documenting the checks carried out by the customs officers;
  - using of specific analytical methods for laboratory staff.

- Training of customs staff at the central level:
  - on drafting legal acts and amendments to legal acts on implementation of CAP measures;
  - instructions for customs staff on local level;
  - creating and maintenance of export refund nomenclature;
  - gaining through a study visit of experience in EU Member States with best practices on development, organizing, reporting to the other authorities and to the European Commission of the results from the implementation of the CAP measures.

- Practical training of the local customs staff:
  - for performing physical checks, taking samples;
  - applying risk analysis and elaborating of reports on the control carried out;
- gaining through a study visit of experience in EU Member States customs offices implementing procedures relating to CAP measures.

- Training of the laboratory staff to use specific methods of analysis for CAP goods.
- Training of trainers.

These activities will be carried out by means of Twinning.

**Tasks of the Pre-accession Advisor (PAA):**
- administrating, co-ordinating, monitoring and advising all the foreseen measures.
- Short-term expertise will be required for the performance of tasks as described under Component 1.

**Profile of the PAA:**
- At least 5 years experience in a MS Customs Administration;
- Experience in the field of CAP
- Experience in drafting second and third level national legislation (implementing regulations and working instructions) in the field of CAP;
- High-level officer in the customs administration;
- Good communication and organizational skills;
- Fluent in English language.

**Profile of the short-term experts:**
- At least 5 years experience in a MS Customs Administration;
- Experience in the field of CAP;
- Good reporting skills;
- Fluent in English language.

**Duration of the assignment of the PAA:**
The PAA is supposed to be seconded to the Bulgarian Customs Agency for a period of 18 man/months.

National Customs Agency will contribute to the implementation of the proposed component by ensuring the necessary organizational environment, staff and premises.

The available training centers in Sofia, Plovdiv and Rousse will be used in the organization of the seminars.

Office will be provided for the Pre-accession advisor and his assistant.

PCs, network printer, copy machine and fax machine will be procured for the Pre-accession advisor and his assistant under the national co-financing budget.

**Activities for phase 2:**

**Component 2:** Review and assessment of the draft Technical Specifications for laboratory equipment in connection with the implementation of CAP measures:

2.1. Review and assessment of the draft Technical Specifications for supply of analytical equipment in connection with the implementation of CAP measures.

2.2. Preparation of the final versions of the Technical Specifications.

This activity will be carried out by means of a Framework contract - one independent expert should review the draft Technical Specifications and should develop the final versions of the Technical specifications for the analytical equipment in connection with the implementation of CAP measures.

**Component 3:** Supply of laboratory equipment

3.1. Supply of the specialised analytical equipment, necessary for carrying out the control of import and export goods under CAP.
3.2. Testing and installation of the equipment delivered and conducting of the necessary training of the relevant customs officers to work with it. This activity will be carried out by means of a Supply contract. National Customs Agency will contribute to the implementation of the proposed component by ensuring the necessary organizational environment and staff.

3.5 Linked activities:

BG 9806.02.01 Harmonization of Bulgarian Customs Legislation (IB – Twinning with German Customs Administration). The wider objective of the Project was development of third level legislation. In the field of reinforcement of border control Instruction regulating the activities of the “Customs Intelligence and investigation” Directorate within the NCA, Rules for the activities of the customs authorities in implementing some of the border measures for the protection of the intellectual property rights and for customs control of trade with weapons and dual-use goods have been developed. The project was aimed also at developing, documenting and implementing procedures and associated instructions for operational and HQ staff in accordance with European Union norms and Member States best practice in order to correctly and efficiently control the import and export of goods under the new customs legislation. Analysis of the experience (practices) of the customs administrations of the EU Member States in the field of the Binding Tariff information and Origin information, Classification and origin of goods has been made under the project and a draft for creation of a national data base for integrated customs tariff has been developed.

BG 9806.02.02 Computerisation of the Bulgarian Customs Administration

Customs functional training, concerning customs information systems managed by DG TAXUD, was conducted covering the following fields: TARIC, EBTI, QUOTA, ECICS, IPR, NCTS, CCN/CSI, AFIS and CIS. Hardware and software was delivered for the BICIS infrastructure, communication equipment was delivered, and IT training was conducted. The development of Bulgarian Integrated Customs Information System is very important for the achievement of efficient customs border control.

BG 9806.02.03 Reinforcement of Border Controls (IB – Contractor - Eurocustoms)

The implementation of the project resulted into:
- the development and the approval of a Current Situation Report, the “Strategy for Rationalisation of the Bulgarian Customs Administration’s Border Operations in the period 2001-2006” and the Detailed plan for implementation of the activities and tasks included in the Strategy.
- the delivery of specialised technical equipment (2 stationary X-ray Inspection Systems, 1 Mobile X-ray Container Inspection System, 2 Personal Gamma and Beta radiation dose rate meters, 5 Endoscopes) and equipment for the Customs Dogs School in Balchik.
- training for new dog handler teams at the German Customs Dogs School in Bleckede. The training of the dog handlers resulted in the successful finalisation of the training module by three dog handler teams in October 2001. These dog handler teams are now working at the border posts of the customs offices in Rousse, Silistra and Vidin.

Project BG 0203.09 Strengthening Border Control Capacities

Project BG 0203.09 “Strengthening Border Control Capacities” is a follow-up of the activities under Project BG 9806-02-03-0004 “Reinforcement of Border Controls”. Review of the customs legislation in respect to the penalty provisions/regulations will be carried out and the necessary amendments to the legislation in this field will be made; Administrative instructions will be developed. A model for bilateral agreements regarding joint border operations between the NCA and the customs administrations of FYROM,
Greece, Turkey and Federal Republic of Yugoslavia is being drafted. Feasibility Study for improvement of the infrastructure and the equipment of the strategic checkpoints is under implementation: Methodology for improvement of the infrastructure and schedule for improvement of the infrastructure will be drafted, the next steps to be taken to fulfill all requirements for improvement of the infrastructure will be described, Conceptual Design for Kapitan Andreevo Border Check Point and recommendations for a future project for construction/reconstruction will be developed, training on control of means of transport is being provided. The Investment component of the project includes supply of Specialised technical equipment (see Annex 4).

Project BG 0201.07 “Developing of national co-operation and information exchange network for protection of intellectual and industrial property rights”
The IB part of the project aims at: establishing of a legal framework for co-operation between enforcement institutions and the intellectual and industrial property rights protection providing bodies; specialized training; and defining the system “architecture”, technical specifications and hardware requirements for the establishment of national information system between the institutions for information exchange in the sphere of intellectual and industrial property enforcement. The project started on 22.03.2004 and the duration is 18 months. Equipment and software are delivered under the Investment part of the project.

Contract between the Bulgarian Ministry of Finance and Crown Agents
Mobile groups for inland control have been appointed and equipped under this contract. Rules for organisation of the activities of MAT (Mobile Assurance Teams) have been developed and approved under the CA Contract. Draft Rules for organisation of the activities on customs intelligence and investigation have been developed. Draft Anti Smuggling Guide has been developed by Crown Agents experts. A forum for communication and exchange of opinions between the trade and industry organisations and NCA and the Ministry of Finance had been made possible through the creation of a State-Society Commission for Development of the Customs Administration. In this Commission the Ministry of the Interior, the Ministry of the Economy and the Ministry of External Affairs are represented as well as other institutions. New Contract with Crown Agents has been signed in July 2004 and entered into force on 1st of August 2004. The Contract is signed in accordance with the procedure for special procurements, related to the national security and operations, related to the use of classified information, in accordance with the Law for Protection of the Classified Information. The duration of the new contract is 29 months, i.e. until December 2006, before the Bulgaria’s accession to the EU. The new contract is focused on the control and movement of high-risk goods – alcohol, cigarette and fuels. The number of the Mobile Groups will be increased by another 5 to strengthen the internal control within the country.

CBC 2000 Facilitation of Danube river border crossing Project
The objective of the project was the facilitation of crossing the border between Romania and Bulgaria (in particular, reducing of waiting time at the border) through:
- technical assistance to the NCA and National Border Police Service for harmonization of procedures and working practices, exchange of information and technical facilities;
- supply of equipment to the NCA and NBPS.
The specialised equipment received by the NCA under this project includes one stationary X-ray system, two endoscopes, one fork lift truck and one pallet cart for Customs Rousse.

CBC 2001 Supply of equipment to the Border Check Points Novo Selo, Ilinden and Kulata. Staff training for Border Check Points Novo Selo, Ilinden and Kulata.
Five Contracts for the five supply Lots have been signed on 30.11.2003. The delivery of the equipment has finished by 31.10.2004. The NCA received computer and telecommunication
equipment (Lot 1), specialised border control equipment (Lot 2), vehicles and hardware (Lot 4) and furniture and site accessories (Lot 5). The specialised border control equipment delivered under Lot 2 of this project is only for BCP Novo Selo and Ilinden, in order to avoid overlapping with the project BG 0203.09 Strengthening Border Control Capacities, where specialised equipment is planned to be delivered for BCP Kulata. Fork lift trucks and hand pallet trucks have been delivered for the three BCPs. (see Annex 4)

**Loan Agreement with the World Bank under the Trade and Transport Facilitation in South-East Europe (TTFSE Project)**

The TTFSE Programme of the World Bank includes Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, FYROM, Romania, FR of Yugoslavia and Moldova. The Bulgarian TTFSE Project aims to reduce non-tariff costs to trade and transport and to reduce smuggling and corruption at border crossings points. Under the project has been achieved sound reduction of waiting time for customs clearance at the selected pilot sites. Further, a replication of successful pilot site initiatives is under process (preliminary customs declarations, uniform reporting and analysis of physical examination results). The development of Preliminary Customs Declarations Module (BICIS improvement) for selected pilot customs sites was completed by 31.12.2004. The development of guidelines for each replication Customs site for use after implementation of BICIS modifications is forthcoming.

Potential TTFSE-2 programme is under consideration by the World Bank

**BG2003/004-937.09.01 “Further Development of National Customs Laboratory Network” Project**

The project is aimed at the further development of National Customs Laboratory Network to achieve the operational capacity, which includes legal basis, management policies, analytical equipment, analytical methods, training programmes and working methods, required to perform the full range of duties in line with the EU best practice. The equipment specified is aimed at covering the range of the varieties of different tests but not in regard to the volume capacity for particular tests and samples preparation.

**Arrangement between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Bulgaria** signed on 13 December 2003 for granting balance of payments support to the Government of the Republic of Bulgaria for a total amount not exceeding MEUR 2.2. The balance of payments support envisages aiding the country’s preparation for EU membership and could be used for the improvement of border control equipment. At present this financial aid is not yet specified neither as kind of the technical support, nor as location of the “beneficiary” customs office. The proposal of the BCA is for the delivery of one Mobile X-ray inspection system for trucks and containers, min. 2500 kV for Customs Kalotina. A tender procedure is under preparation at the Ministry of Finance.

**Negotiations with UK Foreign Office for providing assistance in the field of combating illicit trafficking of drugs and precursors.**

Several visits have been carried out by representatives and experts from UK Foreign Office. They visited the Central Customs Directorate, Svilengrad Customs House, BCP Kapitan Andreevo, Customs Burgas and BCP Malko Tarnovo with the purpose of getting acquainted with the conditions and the NCA needs in the field of the fight against illicit trafficking of drug substances and precursors. On 14 January 2004 the Minister of Finance of the Republic of Bulgaria and the Charge d’Affairs of the UK Embassy in Bulgaria signed a memorandum for the construction of a facility for efficient control on heavy-freight vehicles at BCP Malko Tarnovo. The cost of the facility is 250 000 GBP. Its construction will enhance the capacity of
the customs officers to conduct better border control. The Government of the UK will finance the construction of a Hall for Detailed Customs Check in BCP Malko Tarnovo and it is planned that an X-ray system for inspection of pallets, larger than the euro-pallets will be delivered. Also for the needs of BCP Lesovo one Search Kit and one Portable Drugs Detector are planned to be delivered till the end of June 2005.

**US Government Programme for export control & border security (EXBS)**

The US State Department through the US Embassy in Sofia organizes training seminars for customs officers and officers from the Ministry of Interior. This programme aims to enhance border detection and to check the effectiveness of the export control procedures of weapons of mass destruction as well to assist in developing integrated weapons of mass destruction response capabilities and procedures by the means of carrying out exercises, training and delivery of limited IT hardware and equipment. The equipment received under this programme by the NCA could be seen in Table 4.1 in Annex 4 to this PF.

### 3.6 Lessons learned:

The 2004-2006 Phare Programming exercise places particular emphasis on the activities to be carried out for modernization of the Bulgarian Customs Administration in connection with the future membership of Bulgaria in the European Union.

In previous programming years it has been noted that the programme design should be improved. The recommendations from the analysis reports developed under the previous project for reinforcement of border controls and from the Interim Evaluation and Monitoring Reports have been taken into consideration. The Bulgarian authorities should adhere in a timely manner to the conditionalities to the project and take appropriate actions.

The need for a better coordination of the donors support in the area of the border control has been taken into consideration throughout the process of development of this project fiche. This includes a coordination of the donor activities in relation to supply of equipment and technical assistance as well as coordination with the investment in the infrastructure with the purpose of providing assurance that the necessary buildings for the equipment will be ready before the delivery of the envisaged equipment. The Phare financing has always been the main external source for financing for the BCA and the NCA’s concept is that the financing of the remaining donors should comply with financing under Phare.

### 4. Institutional Framework

The project beneficiary institution will be the National Customs Agency (NCA).

The NCA is a part of the Ministry of Finance and is responsible for the collection of Customs duties, Excise duties and VAT on imports and the prevention of illegal imports and exports. It collects about 48% of the revenues of the state budget. Over 3,900 staff is employed by NCA.

The NCA is structured in four hierarchical levels:

- Central Customs Directorate;
- 5 Customs Regions coordinated by Regional Customs Directorates;
- 17 Customs houses;
- 103 Customs bureaus and Customs posts.

The NCA currently has two customs laboratories – Central Customs Laboratory in Sofia and Regional Customs Laboratory in Rousse. There are infrastructure facilities for establishing a Regional Customs Laboratory in Plovdiv.

The NCA has supported, from the very beginning the Commission’s Pre-accession Strategy for the Customs and Taxation Sector. The new Customs Act and Implementing Provisions
have been enforced since 01.01.1999. The Law on Amendment of the Customs Act has been adopted by the Parliament in April 2003.
The NCA has established a special organizational structure for the technical management and monitoring of the project, which comprises a Phare Steering Committee (SC), Project Implementation Unit (PIU) and dedicated Working Groups.
The NCA Phare Steering Committee (SC) will monitor, supervise and co-ordinate the overall progress and implementation of the Project and will be responsible for approving the project deliverables. The NCA Phare Steering Committee is chaired by the Director General of NCA. The Steering Committee meetings will be held every three months (and more frequently, if necessary). Representatives of the EC Delegation to Bulgaria, the CFCU, “European Integration and Monitoring” Directorate in the Ministry of Finance, the National Aid Coordinator (NAC) and the Consultant will be invited as observers at the Steering Committee meetings. Representatives of other institutions will be invited to the Steering Committee meetings, if the agenda requires.
The day-to-day project management will be carried out by the NCA Project Implementation Unit (PIU) on the base of the decisions made by the NCA Steering Committee. Working groups for the implementation of the project have been established.
The Working Groups comprise experts from the Directorates responsible for the relevant component, i.e.:
- Sub-Project 1 “Strengthening of the customs control on the future EU external borders” –
  - from the Customs Intelligence and Investigation Directorate at the Central Customs Directorate – 4 experts responsible for the implementation of the activities related to the service components and 2 experts responsible for the components related to the supply of specialised technical equipment for customs control;
  - from the Customs Statistics and Automation Directorate – one expert responsible for the process of design and development of the software for automation of the control on trade in weapons and possible dual-use goods and technologies;
- Sub-Project 2 “Development of a system for control of the import and export of agricultural goods in accordance with the CAP” -
  - from the Tariff Policy Directorate – 2 experts responsible for classification and maintenance of export refund nomenclature and 3 experts responsible for implementation of CAP measures including measures in TARIC and licensing procedure;
  - from Customs Regimes and Procedures Directorate - 2 experts responsible for legislative drafts and amendments;
  - from the Customs Statistics and Automation Directorate - 2 experts;
  - from the Central Customs Laboratory at the Central Customs Directorate of the NCA - 2 experts and
  - from the Regional Customs laboratory - one expert responsible for laboratory analysis.
The NCA will support the implementation of the proposed project by assuring the necessary organizational environment, making available the necessary personnel.
The existing Training centres in Sofia, Plovdiv and Rousse will be used for organizing of training courses and seminars for the customs officers from the Central Customs Directorate and the Regional Customs Directorates.
The co-financing of the project will be provided from the state budget through the “National Fund” Directorate at the Ministry of Finance.
## 5. Detailed Budget

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The national co-financing will be provided by the “National Fund” Directorate at the Ministry of Finance. All operational and running costs and the maintenance of the equipment will be provided by the final beneficiaries.
Up to 10% of the budget of the Twinning component will be provided from the State budget through the “National Fund” Directorate at the Ministry of Finance.
6. Implementation Arrangements

6.1 Implementing Agency

Programme Authorising Officer (PAO):
Mr. Tencho Popov
Secretary General of the Ministry of Finance
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Tel.: + 359.2.9859 2012
Fax: +359.2.987 3929

The Implementing Agency for this project will be the Central Finance and Contracts Unit (CFCU) at the Ministry of Finance. The CFCU will be responsible for the tendering, contracting and payment activities under the project.

Contact details:
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CFCU Director
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Tel: +359 2 9859 2772, 359 2 9859 2777
Fax: +359 2 9859 2773

The Beneficiary will be responsible for preparing the draft Technical Specifications and the Terms of Reference for each of the contracts under the project.

The NCA PIU will be the main contact point for all official communications between the Consultant and the NCA concerning the implementation and management of the project.

Contact details:
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Head of “Institutional Building and Phare Programme” Department
Central Customs Directorate
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1000 Sofia, Bulgaria
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Fax: +359 2 9859 4129

6.2 Twinning

Standard Twinning is foreseen for the implementation of Component 1 of Sub-project 2 “Development of legal and administrative capacity for introduction, implementation and control of the mechanisms and measures of the CAP” in Phases 1.

The beneficiary institution will be the National Customs Agency (NCA).

The contact person at the NCA is the Head of “Institutional Building and Phare Programme” Department – 47, Rakovski str., 1000 Sofia, Bulgaria; Tel.: +359 2 9859 4508; Fax: +359 2 9859 4129.

A profile of the PAA and the short-term experts is given under p. 3.4 of the Project fiche.

6.3 Non-standard aspects

PRAG will be followed for the envisaged supply and service contracts.
6.4 Contracts

To maximize the effectiveness of the proposed project NCA foresees the following contracts:

**Phase 1:** Four Contracts at the total amount of: **2.555 MEUR**

Sub-Project 1 Strengthening of the customs control on the future EU external borders:

Component 1: Service Contract: 0.460 MEUR
Component 2: Framework Contract: 0.010 EUR
Component 3: Supply Contract: 1.285 MEUR

Sub-Project 2 CAP:

Component 1: Standard Twinning: 0.800 MEUR

**Phase 2:** Five Contracts at the total amount of: **3.795 MEUR**

Sub-Project 1 Strengthening of the customs control on the future EU external borders:

Component 4: Service Contract (software development and training): 0.240 MEUR
Component 5: Service Contract: 0.250 MEUR
Component 6: Supply Contract: 3.060 MEUR

Sub-Project 2 CAP:

Component 2: Framework contract: 0.005 MEUR
Component 3: Supply contract: 0.240 MEUR

**Phase 3:** One Contract at the amount of: **4.250 MEUR**

Sub-Project 1 Strengthening of the customs control on the future EU external borders:

Component 7: Supply Contract: 4.250 MEUR

7. Implementation Schedule

7.1 Start of tendering/call for proposals

**Sub-Project 1 Strengthening of the customs control on the future EU external borders:**

**Phase 1:**

Component 1: Service Contract: January 2005
Component 2: Framework Contract: January 2005
Component 3: Supply Contract: August 2005

**Phase 2:**

Component 4: Service Contract (development of software and training): February 2006
Component 5: Service Contract: February 2006
Component 6: Supply Contract: December 2005

**Phase 3:**

Component 7: Supply Contract: December 2006

**Sub-Project 2 Development of a system for control of the import and export of agricultural goods in accordance with the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP):**

**Phase 1:**

Component 1: Standard Twinning: Call for proposals
(Twining partner selection October 2004)
Component: July 2004

**Phase 2:**

Component 2: Framework contract: December 2005
Component 3: Supply Contract: July 2006*
7.2 Start of project activity

**Sub-Project 1** Strengthening of the customs control on the future EU external borders:

**Phase 1:**
- Component 1: Service Contract: September 2005
- Component 2: Framework Contract: April 2005
- Component 3: Supply Contract: May 2006*

**Phase 2:**
- Component 4: Service Contract (development of software and training): October 2006*
- Component 5: Service Contract: October 2006
- Component 6: Supply Contract: September 2006*

**Phase 3:**
- Component 7: Supply Contract: September 2007*

**Sub-Project 2** Development of a system for control of the import and export of agricultural goods in accordance with the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP):

**Phase 1:**
- Component 1: Standard Twinning: May 2005

**Phase 2:**
- Component 2: Framework contract: March 2006
- Component 3: Supply Contract: April 2007*

7.3 Project completion

**Sub-Project 1** Strengthening of the customs control on the future EU external borders:

**Phase 1:**
- Component 1: Service Contract: December 2006
- Component 2: Framework contract: July 2005
- Component 3: Supply Contract: November 2006*

**Phase 2:**
- Component 4: Service Contract (development of software and training): October 2007*
- Component 5: Service Contract: October 2007
- Component 6: Supply Contract: March 2007*

**Phase 3:**
- Component 7: Supply Contract: March 2008*

**Sub-Project 2** Development of a system for control of the import and export of agricultural goods in accordance with the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP):

**Phase 1:**
- Component 1: Standard Twinning: December 2006

**Phase 2:**
- Component 3: Supply Contract: October 2007*
8. Equal Opportunity

During the implementation of the project there will be no discrimination on the grounds of race, sex, sexual orientation, mother tongue, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, birth or other status. Equal opportunities for women, men and minorities will be ensured by the Steering Committee during the implementation of the project. The Bulgarian laws and regulations concerning the equal opportunities for women, men and minorities will be strictly followed. Equal opportunity for men and women to participate in the project will be measured by recording the experts and consultants employed.

9. Environment

The investment parts of the Sup-project 1 and 2 should not have any negative impact on air, waters and ground. The requirements for protection of the environment will be observed while working with the equipment. Initial environmental screening: not available.

10. Rates of return

It is not possible to calculate the precise rate on the investment at this stage, but considering the improvements to be gained with the project implementation in the filed of modernization of the specialised technical equipment for performing effective customs control and the laboratory equipment, it is clear that the investment will bring about considerable rates of return.

11. Investment criteria

11.1 Catalytic effect:

The Phare contribution will act as a catalyst for a priority accession action in the field of customs border control. It will further improve the capacity of the National Customs Agency for performing effective customs control. Without Phare support, the delivery of the specialised technical equipment and the laboratory equipment would take place much later. The Phare support is essential for the development of a system for control of the import and the export of the agricultural goods in accordance with the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) and to meet the criteria in accordance with the acquis in Chapters 7 and 25.

11.2 Co-financing:

The investment part of the project will be co-financed from the Bulgarian State Budget. The Co-financing will contribute 25% of the investment part of the project. The twinning arrangements will be co-financed with up to 10% of the Twinning Covenant budget. The
funds will be provided through the “National Fund” Directorate within the Ministry of Finance.

11.3 Additionality:

The Phare intervention does not displace other financiers as no alternative funds have been allocated for the proposed project.

11.4 Project readiness and size:

An Assessment of NCA needs of specialised technical equipment for customs control has been carried out by NCA experts and an extensive List of the necessary specialised technical equipment has been prepared. A List of the equipment envisaged to be supplied under Sub-project 1 has been prepared. See Annex 4 for details. The draft technical specifications have been prepared and sent to CFCU.

The detailed preparatory tasks for Sub-project 2 will be performed in time to meet the proposed implementation schedule (Extensive Call for proposals for Component 1 in Phase 1 and Technical Specifications for delivery of laboratory equipment in Phase 2 will be prepared in time).

11.5 Sustainability

The project activities are in line with the EU sector policy acquis.

The NCA will ensure the appropriate administrative capacity for the implementation of the project.

The National Customs Agency is in a position to effectively sustain the project deliverables and maintain the delivered equipment in the long run.

11.6 Compliance with state aids provisions

Not-Applicable

12. Conditionality and sequencing

**Sub-Project 1 Strengthening of the customs control on the future EU external borders:**

The activities related to the specialised equipment under the Institutional Building part of BG 0203.09 Project “Strengthening Border Control Capacities” (Feasibility study for improvement of the infrastructure and the equipment of strategic border check points: Methodology for improvement of the infrastructure and the equipment) must be taken into account and the draft Technical Specifications for the specialised technical equipment, to be delivered under the Sub-project 1 “Strengthening of the customs control on the future EU external borders” Project, must be developed before the Framework Contract under Phase 1 can start. The implementation of the activities under the IB part of BG0203.09 started in June 2004. The duration of BG 0203.09 project is 17 months.


institutions in the development of this Strategy are those represented in the Interdepartmental Council on the Matters of the BCP. It is expected that this Strategy will provide an overall answer to the question which border posts will be operational at the time of the Bulgaria’s accession to the EU and which types of border controls will be performed at each border checkpoint. Until then the cooperation between the institutions is implemented at national level by the Interdepartmental Council on the Matters of the BCP, headed by the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Transport and Communications.

Bulgarian authorities undertake the obligation to cover any additional cost, above the amount envisaged in point 5 of this project fiche, necessary for the supply of equipment requested to be financed under the Investment part of the Project and that the necessary infrastructure will be in place before the delivery of the equipment.

**Sub-Project 2 Development of a system for control of the import and export of agricultural goods in accordance with the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP):**

The necessary legislation and other normative acts related to introduction by the competent authorities of the measures and mechanisms of the CAP should be adopted and the administrative capacity for their implementation that is outside the BCA competence should be developed.

The Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry together with the Paying Agency will have the leading role in introduction of the CAP legislation. Customs administration is the responsible authority for controlling export and import of agricultural products within the framework of its normal tasks and in general its activities are conditional and sequence of the agricultural legislation adopted. In this respect the drafting of legislation and administrative instructions by customs will follow the adopted by the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry and the Paying agency legislation.

The necessary co-financing must be ensured by the State budget.

**ANNEXES TO PROJECT FICHE**

1. Logical framework matrix in standard format
2. Detailed implementation chart
3. Contracting and disbursement schedules for Sub-project 1 and Sub-project 2 by quarters for the full duration of the programme
4. Feasibility studies and preparatory work:
   4.1. List of the necessary specialised technical equipment based on the Analysis of the NCA needs of specialised technical equipment for border control.
   4.2. List of the specialised technical equipment to be supplied under Sub-project 1.
   4.3. Justification for the equipment to be supplied under Sub-project 1
   4.4. Needs assessment for the equipment to be supplied under Sub-project 2
5. Reference list of relevant laws and regulations
6. Reference list of relevant strategic plans and studies
## Phare log frame

### LOGFRAME PLANNING MATRIX FOR PROJECT:

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### Overall objective

**Efficient customs control on the future EU external borders and in the area of CAP**

- BCA in full compliance with accession requirements and the Blueprints standards in the key areas of the Customs business addressed by this project at the date of accession.
- Revenue collection increased in comparison to 2004 by the end of 2006;
- Reduction of waiting time in comparison to 2004 by the end 2006;
- National legislation, corresponding to the EU legislation in the area of the CAP developed at the date of accession.

**Sources of verification**

- European Commission Regular Reports on Bulgaria’ progress towards accession/ EU monitoring missions reports ;
- Peer review;
- Regular Customs Administrative and Operational Capacity Reports, as part of the screening process;
- National Statistics;
- NCA Statistical Data;
- State Gazette.

### Project Purpose

**NCA capacity for performing improved customs control and for the future implementation of CAP**

- NCA administrative capacity improved by the end of the project

**Sources of verification**

- European Commission Regular Report on Bulgaria’ progress towards accession;

**Assumptions**

Commitment from the relevant institutions to develop a Strategy for Integrated
demonstrated through successful peer review; Increased number of cases of revealed customs and currency violations in comparison to 2004 as a result of the use of the equipment delivered under the project; NCA prepared to administer CAP measures, within its competences, at the date of accession. Increased clearance capacity of the customs offices through decreasing the time for clearance of vehicles and people as a result of the use of the equipment delivered under the project.

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1.1.4. Training conducted in a EU Member State for customs officers from the NCA on the practical implementation of the measures in the field of control on the trade in weapons and possible dual-use goods and technologies.

1.1.5. Seminars carried out in Bulgaria for customs officers from the NCA on the implementation of the EU best practices in the field of control on the trade in small arms and light weapons.

1.1.6 Training conducted in a EU Member State for customs officers from the NCA on the practical implementation of the measures in the field of control on the trade in small arms and light weapons.

1.1.7. The following documents developed and approved by NCA management:
- Programme for the organization of the customs control activities concerning the trade in weapons, possible dual-use goods and technologies and the trade in small arms and light weapons;
- Guidebook for the customs officers on the control on weapons and possible dual-use goods and technologies;
- Terms of Reference for: development of software for automation of the activities related to control on trade in weapons developed.

1.2 Development of plans for border management for the country border points with the purpose of identifying their needs after the accession of the Republic of Bulgaria to the European Union.

1.2.1. Current situation assessed at the future outer borders of the enlarged EU.

1.2.2. Drafted model for border management plans.

1.2.3. Developed border management plans.

1.3. Development of a Memorandum of Understanding Programme with the trade operators in the field of customs intelligence and investigation.

1.3.1. Drafted model of MoUs – guidelines adapted to suit the particular company/association and the chosen scope in relation to the EU best practices in the area of MoU; negotiation process related to the signing of MoU explained and adopted.

1.3.2. Carried out training course for liaison officers in a EU Member States in line with the EU best practices in the area of negotiating and servicing MoUs.

1.3.3. Guidelines drafted for MoU liaison officers.

1.4. Carried out 10 weeks training in the Customs Dogs School in Bleckede, Germany for 6 customs officers: two instructors from Rousse operational; Terms of Reference for development of software for automation of the activities related to control on trade in weapons developed.

| and the tasks included in the Strategy for rationalization of BCA border operations; |
| Memorandums of Understanding signed between NCA and the relevant trade companies; |
| Guidelines for MoU; |
| Terms of Reference for development of software for automation of the activities related to control on trade in weapons; |
| Evaluation questionnaires on the implementation of activities and training conducted under the project; |
| Acceptance protocols for the equipment. |
Customs House, three trainers from the Customs Dogs School in Balchik and an officer from “Customs Intelligence and Investigation – Drugs, Weapons and Precursors” Department in the Central Customs Directorate.

1.4.1 Carried out basic training for 6 weeks on the topic of conducting searches for “light” narcotics (hashish, marihuana).

1.4.2 Carried out qualification training for 4 weeks on the topic of conducting searches for “hard” narcotics (opium, heroin, cocaine, amphetamines, ecstasy, “Berlin heroin”).

Component 2: Review and assessment of Technical Specifications for specialised technical equipment for carrying out of efficient customs control:

2.1. Review and assessment of the Technical Specifications for supply of specialised technical equipment carried out.

2.2 Technical Specifications for supply of the necessary specialised equipment under phase 1, phase 2 and phase 3 drafted.

Component 3: Supply of specialised technical equipment

3.1. Specialised technical equipment planned under phase 1 delivered.

3.2. The delivered equipment tested, installed, operational and the relevant customs officers trained to work with it.

Results for phase 2:

Component 4: Realization of the Terms of reference developed under phase 1:

4.1. Software for automation of the control on trade in weapons developed;

4.2. Provided training of customs officers from the NCA to work with the system developed under 4.1.

Component 5: Further improvement of the administrative capacity for implementation of the acquis in the field of customs control

5.1. Conducted seminars in Bulgaria for customs officers from the CCD and the RCDs with subject “Changes in European legislation in the field of customs border control” in relation to the constant increase of the scope of the acquis in the field of customs border control.

5.2. Conducted training in EU Member States for customs officers from the CCD and the RCDs on the “train the trainers” principle with subject “Changes in European legislation in the field of customs border control” in relation to the constant increase of the scope of the acquis in the field of border control.

Component 6: Supply of specialised technical equipment

OVI for Phase 2:

Automated activity for control on trade in weapons at the end of the project;

Improved NCA administrative capacity for applying the acquis in the field of customs border control at the end of the project as a result of the training provided;

Increased number of cases of revealed customs and

For Phase 2:

- Peer Reviews;
- Regular Reports on Chapter 25 “Customs union” and Chapter 24 “Justice and Home Affairs”;
- Project Monitoring and Evaluation reports;
- Progress reports under the project contracts;
- Final reports under the project contracts;
- Evaluation questionnaires on the implementation of activities and training conducted under the project;
- Provisional acceptance protocols for the equipment delivered.
6.1. Specialised technical equipment planned under phase 2 delivered.  
6.2. The delivered equipment tested, installed, operational and the relevant customs officers trained to work with it.

**Results for Phase 3:**

**Component 7:** Supply of specialised technical equipment  
7.1. Specialised technical equipment planned under phase 3 delivered.  
7.2. The delivered equipment tested, installed, operational and the relevant customs officers trained to work with it.

**For Phase 3:**  
- Project Monitoring and Evaluation reports;  
- Progress reports under the project contract;  
- Final report under the project contract;  
- Provisional Acceptance protocols for the equipment delivered.

**Sub-project 2**

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<th>Component 1: Development of legal and administrative capacity for introduction, implementation and control of the measures and mechanisms of CAP</th>
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| 1.1 Prepared analysis on:  
  - European legislation laying down the responsibilities of customs administration, subject to national adoption in view of its introduction, implementation and control of the mechanisms and measures of the CAP;  
  - Best practices of EU Member States in the organization of the customs business in administering of the measures and mechanism of CAP;  
  - Specific national regulations of some EU Member States, concerning the CAP with the objective of their adoption at national level;  
  - Regulations, introducing the laboratory-analytic methods used for the CAP's purposes that should be adopted at national level;  
  - Reports on analysis made on the situation in Bulgaria in relation to the legislation, the practices and the administrative capacity available with the objective of identifying the gaps and undertaking of the necessary legal and organizational changes.  
  - Developed drafts of legislative acts and implementation tools covering:  
    - Regulations dealing with customs control in respect of trade mechanisms and measures of the CAP;  
    - Regulation for introducing the Nomenclature for export refunds in the currency violations in comparison to previous years as a result of the use of the equipment delivered.  

**OVI for Phase 1:**  
- Report on analysis made on the European legislation in the CAP area;  
- Drafts for amendment to the Customs act and Implementing Provisions;  
- Drafted legislative regulations for definition of physical control on exporting goods with export refunding;  
- Draft laws and second level legislative regulations for administering/regulation of the agricultural policy;  
- Drafted legislative regulations for implementation of the project;  

**For Phase 1:**  
- EC Regular Report on Bulgaria’s progress towards accession;  
- Regular Reports on Chapter 25 “Customs Union” and Chapter 24 “Justice and Home Affairs”;  
- Project Monitoring and Evaluation reports;  
- Progress reports under the project contracts;  
- Final reports under the project contracts;  
- Evaluation questionnaires on the implementation of activities and training conducted under the project;  
- Implementation of the programme for adoption of the CAP by the leading institution – MAF and by the other institutions, involved in the process of adoption of the European legislation (acquis) and practices in the area of the CAP;  
- Close cooperation with the other institutions, engaged in the process of adoption of the European legislation (acquis) and practices in the area of the CAP;  
- Adoption of the legal acts by the relevant competent institutions;  
- Commitment from the NCA to accomplish the targeted results;
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| **Component 2:** Review and assessment of the draft Technical Specifications for laboratory equipment in connection with the implementation of CAP measures:  
2.1. Review and assessment of the draft Technical Specifications for supply of analytical equipment in connection with the implementation of CAP measures carried out.  
2.2. Final versions of the Technical Specifications for the equipment developed.  
**Component 3:** Supply of laboratory equipment.  
3.1. Specialised analytical equipment, necessary for carrying out the control of import and export goods under CAP delivered. | - NCA Statistical Reports;  
- Provisional acceptance protocols for the equipment delivered under component 3. | - The number of requests for analyses and the average time for issuing of results to correspond to the accepted percentage for physical control of the import and export of the CAP goods in the EU at the end of the project. |
| **In reference with the administrative capacity:**  
- Developed administrative capacity for the practical implementation and control of the mechanisms and measures of the CAP;  
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**national legislation:**
- Integration in the Bulgarian Integrated Customs Tariff of the measures of CAP and the conditions for their application;
- Regulations on methods of laboratory analysis, that must apply for the purposes of control of agricultural goods in the field of the CAP and readiness of the Customs laboratories for performing analysis for the purposes of control of agricultural goods.

1.4. Developed drafts of administrative instructions in the field of implementation and control on the CAP.  
1.5. Developed business model of the customs controls involved in CAP.  
1.6. Enhanced administrative capacity of BCA capable to carry out customs controls required by the CAP provisions, in particular:
- Developed training plans for customs officers at central and local level, as well as for trainers;
- Theoretically trained customs staff capable to understand the CAP measures requiring customs control;
- Practically trained customs staff capable of application of the measures, such as:  
  - Specific methods of laboratory analysis;  
  - Customs procedures requiring implementation of control measures.  

**Results for phase 2:**
- Developed business model of the customs controls involved in CAP.
- Enhanced administrative capacity of BCA capable to carry out customs controls required by the CAP provisions, in particular:
  - Developed training plans for customs officers at central and local level, as well as for trainers;
  - Theoretically trained customs staff capable to understand the CAP measures requiring customs control;
  - Practically trained customs staff capable of application of the measures, such as:  
    - Specific methods of laboratory analysis;  
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**OVI for Phase 2:**
- The number of requests for analyses and the average time for issuing of results to correspond to the accepted percentage for physical control of the import and export of the CAP goods in the EU at the end of the project.

**For Phase 2:**
- NCA Statistical Reports;
- Provisional acceptance protocols for the equipment delivered under component 3.

**ISO 17025 accreditation of the customs laboratories for testing laboratories**
3.2. The delivered equipment tested, installed, operational and the relevant customs officers trained to work with it.

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<td>- Development and endorsement of a Guidebook on the control on trade in weapons, possible dual-use goods and technologies;</td>
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<td>- Development of Terms of Reference for: development of software for automation of the activities related to control on trade in weapons and for training of customs officers from the CCD and the relevant customs offices designated for entry, exit, placing under a customs procedure or customs approved treatment or use, in the field of application of the</td>
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<td>Bulgarian Government maintains consistent policy concerning the setting the customs legislation in compliance with the EU legislation; improvement of the administrative capacity for carrying out of customs control and modernization of the equipment on the future EU external borders; Commitment from the NCA for improvement of the customs control on the future EU external borders and for ensuring the necessary administrative capacity for the project implementation; Coordination and cooperation with other bodies performing control at the border;</td>
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automated control on weapons.

1.2. Developing plans for border management for the country border points with the purpose of identifying their needs after the accession of the Republic of Bulgaria to the European Union.

1.2.1. Assessing the current situation at the future outer borders of the enlarged EU, using the Current situation report prepared under BG98-06-02-03;

1.2.2. Drafting a model for border management plans;

1.2.3. Developing border management plans.

These activities will be carried out in cooperation with the other Bulgarian institutions presented at the border, when it is necessary.

1.3. Developing of Memorandum of Understanding Programme with the trade operators in the field of customs intelligence and investigation.

1.3.1. Drafting model of MoUs – adaptation and tailoring of guidelines to suit the particular company/association and the chosen scope in relation to the EU best practices in the area of MoU, drafting of an algorithm on how to proceed during the negotiating process and its preparation.

1.3.2. Training MoU liaison officers – organizing a training course in an EU Member States for liaison officers on the general explanation of MoU concept/objectives/background, on the role of liaison officers, data protection, commercial confidentiality, importance of feedback in line with the EU best practices in the field of negotiating and servicing MoUs.

1.3.3. Drafting of guidelines for MoU liaison officers.

1.4. Organising and carrying out 10 weeks training in the Customs Dogs School in Bleckede, Germany for 6 customs officers: two instructors from Rousse Customs House, three trainers from the Customs Dogs School in Balchik and an officer from “Customs Intelligence and Investigation – Drugs, Weapons and Precursors” Department in the Central Customs Directorate.

1.4.1 Organizing and carrying out basic training for 6 weeks on the topic of conducting searches for “light” narcotics (hashish, marhuana)

1.4.2 Organizing and carrying out qualification training for 4 weeks on the topic of conducting searches for “hard” narcotics (opium, heroin, cocaine, amphetamines, ecstasy, “Berlin heroin”)

Component 2: Review and assessment of the Technical Specifications for specialised technical equipment for carrying out of efficient customs control:

2.1. Review and assessment of the Technical specifications for supply of specialised technical equipment.
Drafting of the final versions of the Technical Specifications for the specialised equipment to be delivered under phase 1, phase 2 and phase 3.  
Component 3: Supply of specialised technical equipment:  
3.1. Supply of the specialised technical equipment.  
3.2. Testing and installation of the equipment and conducting of the necessary training of the relevant customs officers to work with it.  

**Activities for phase 2:**  
Component 4: Realization of the Terms of reference developed under phase 1:  
4.1. Development of software for automation of the control on trade in weapons;  
4.2. Providing training of customs officers from the NCA to work with the system developed under 4.1.  
Component 5: Further improvement of the administrative capacity for implementation of the acquis in the field of customs border control  
5.1. Conducting of seminars in Bulgaria for customs officers from the CCD and the RCDs with subject “Changes in European legislation in the field of customs border control” in relation to the constant increase of the scope of the acquis in the field of border control.  
5.2. Training in EU Member States for customs officers from the CCD and the RCDs on the “train the trainers” principle with subject “Changes in European legislation in the field of customs border control” in relation to the constant increase of the scope of the acquis in the field of border control.  
Component 6: Supply of specialised technical equipment:  
6.1. Supply of the specialised technical equipment.  
6.2. Testing and installation of the equipment and conducting of the necessary training of the relevant customs officers to work with it.  

**Activities for phase 3:**  
Component 7: Supply of specialised technical equipment:  
7.1. Supply of the specialised technical equipment.  
7.2. Testing and installation of the equipment and carrying out of the necessary training of the relevant customs officers to work with it.  

**Sub-project 2**  
**Activities for phase 1:**  
Component 1: Development of legal and administrative capacity for introduction, implementation and control of the measures and mechanisms of CAP  

**Means for the first phase:**  
Component 1: Twinning contract  

**Means for the second phase:**  
Component 4: Service Contract for development of software for automation of the control on trade in weapons and for training of the relevant NCA officers.  
Component 5: Service Contract for improvement of the capacity for implementation of the acquis in the field of border control.  
Component 6: Supply Contract for delivery of specialised technical equipment.  

**Means for the third phase:**  
Component 7: Supply Contract for delivery of specialised technical equipment.  

**Implementation of the programme for adoption of CAP by the leading institution - MAF and by the other...**
1.1. Study and analysis of:

- European legislation from customs responsibilities prospective in the following areas:
  - CAP measures and trade mechanisms – (licensing, export refunds, import and export charges, duties for processed goods, compound rates, unit values, reference prices and others) in order to determine the control functions of customs in their management;
  - Procedures and rules for integration and updating of the measures in TARIC, including the Nomenclature of export refunds (Regulation 3846/87) and the peculiarities at its administering and implementation;
  - Customs procedures, applied by the customs administrations of the EU Member States in relation to the administration of the measures resulting from CAP.

- Best practices of EU Member States in the organization of the customs business in administering of the measures and mechanism of CAP in the following fields:
  - scope of the competences and particular duties of the customs authorities in administering of CAP;
  - cooperation and coordination of the actions with other competent bodies in implementation and control of CAP. (In this respect a benefit would be the acquaintance with the functions of the customs administrations in the various Member States in dividing the competences with the other control bodies);
  - control carried out by the customs administrations of the EU Member States on implementation of the measures of CAP:
    - checks, carried out at the moment of putting the goods under customs regime in: internal customs office, premises/stores of the operator, border customs office, including criteria for Risk analysis in selection of goods for physical checks;
    - coordination of the activities on control at customs clearance of agricultural goods;
    - exchange of information and cooperation with other competent bodies in administering of CAP – in relation to import and export and post clearance and audit.

- National specifics in the implementation and control on the CAP measures on the spot in three of the EU Member States with the purpose of acquainting with the established organization and practical application of the regulations. This is necessary for wider and full understanding of the system and its functioning and is a precondition for achieving higher effectiveness in developing normative acts and national instructions, including training of customs officers in EU Member States;

- Laboratory analysis methods, applied in the EU concerning CAP’s products control.

1.2. Analysis of the situation in Bulgaria:

- available developed legislation concerning CAP and administrative capacity outside the customs for its implementation;
- practical activity of the economic operators, their structures built and functions;
- identification of the gaps and discrepancies in the national legislation and the necessity for undertaking legal and organizational changes with the purpose of harmonization with the acquis in the field of CAP;

institutions involved in the process; Adoption of legislation and procedures, in accordance with European legislation and procedures in the area of the CAP;
1.3. Development of draft legal acts and implementation tools for introducing the European legislation and practice concerning the implementation and control of the mechanisms and measures of CAP in accordance with the schedule for its national introduction, covering:

- Regulations dealing with customs control, such as:
  - Customs Act and its Implementing Regulation – amendments in both acts in order to introduce the provisions concerning the control on CAP goods;
  - draft regulation on physical checks at exportation of products subject to refunds (reg. 386/90 – on the monitoring carried out at the time of export of the agricultural products receiving refunds, 2090/2002 – laying down rules for the application of Regulation 386/90 as regards physical checks carried out when agricultural products qualifying for refunds are exported, 3122/94 – laying down the criteria for risk analysis as regards agricultural products receiving refunds);
  - provisions on customs control in draft regulations (laws and second level legislation) for administering/regulation of the agricultural policy.
- Development of a draft legislative regulation for introducing the Nomenclature for export refunds in the national legislation;
- Preparation for and introduction in the Bulgarian Integrated Customs Tariff of the measures of CAP and the conditions for their application, (component duties and Meursing tables);
- Development of draft regulations for introduction of the laboratory analysis methods used for CAP purposes and related training.

1.4. Development of administrative instructions, reflecting the national specifics in the implementation of the CAP measures, including determining export customs offices and exit customs offices for physical checks and substitution checks, processing customs declarations for export of agricultural goods, writing down of the procedures for a physical check of the export in customs offices, in the enterprises of the exporters, in exit customs office; implementation of risk analysis in selection of lots for checks.

1.5. Development of a business model of the control activities in relation to CAP measures carried out by customs administration at central and local level

1.6. Enhancement of administrative capacity of BCA in order to carry out customs controls required by the CAP provisions, through:

- Development of training plans for customs officers at central and local level, as well as for trainers in the following areas:
  - performing physical checks in internal and border customs offices, as well as in traders’ premises, taking samples and analysis of goods;
  - implementation of the risk analysis in selection of agricultural goods for checking and documenting the checks carried out by the customs officers;
  - using of specific analytical methods for laboratory staff.
- Training of customs staff at the central level:
  - on drafting legal acts and amendments to legal acts on implementation of CAP measures;
  - instructions for customs staff on local level;
  - creating and maintenance of export refund nomenclature;
- gaining through a study visit of experience in EU Member States with best practices on development, organizing, reporting to the other authorities and to the European Commission of the results from the implementation of the CAP measures.
- Practical training of the local customs staff:
  - for performing physical checks, taking samples;
  - applying risk analysis and elaborating of reports on the control carried out;
  - gaining through a study visit of experience in EU Member States customs offices implementing procedures relating to CAP measures.
- Training of the laboratory staff to use specific methods of analysis for CAP goods.
- Training of trainers.

**Activities for phase 2:**

**Component 2:** Review and assessment of the draft Technical Specifications for laboratory equipment in connection with the implementation of CAP measures:
1. Review and assessment of the draft Technical Specifications for supply of analytical equipment in connection with the implementation of CAP measures.
2. Preparation of the final versions of the Technical Specifications.

**Component 3:** Supply of laboratory equipment
3.1. Supply of the specialised analytical equipment, necessary for carrying out the control of import and export goods under CAP.
3.2. Testing and installation of the equipment delivered and conducting of the necessary training of the relevant customs officers to work with it.

**Means for the second phase:**

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Preconditions

Possibility to use the training facilities at the National Training Center in Sofia for seminars for the NCA officers;
Sub-project 1: BG 0203.09.01 project activities related to the Investment part of Sub-project 1 accomplished;
Draft Technical Specifications for delivery of specialised technical equipment under Components 3, 6 and 7 developed;
Sub-project 2: Political decision made on the adoption of the CAP elements and for implementation in 2004 of the intervention mechanisms and the mechanisms for supporting agricultural producers; Adopted Law for amendment of the Law on supporting agricultural producers in order to introduce some of the CAP trade mechanisms;
Political decision made on the creation until 2005 of Payment and Intervention Agency at the State fund "Agriculture" and its effective functioning;
Amendment of the Regulation on conditions and the order of payment of export subsidies in case of export of agricultural products in order to improve the procedures and achieve better alignment with the acquis;
Commitment for adoption in the national customs legislations of Regulation 2454/93 in the part, related to the implementation of the CAP.
Draft Technical specifications for delivery of specialised equipment under Component 3 developed.
ANNEX 2  
**DETAILED TIME IMPLEMENTATION CHART FOR THE PROJECT**  
**STRENGTHENING OF THE CUSTOMS CONTROL ON THE FUTURE EU EXTERNAL BORDERS AND IN THE AREA OF COMMON AGRICULTURAL POLICY (CAP)**

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D = Design of contract/tender procedure; for Twinning – call for proposals (CP)
S = Selection of Twinning partner
C = Contracting period; for Twinning – drafting of Covenant
I = Implementation*
X = Closure

* Note: The implementation period of Component 4 under Sub-project 1 is 18 months and a guarantee period till the end of the disbursement deadline is foreseen.
The implementation period of Components 3, 6 and 7 under Sub-project 1 is 6 months and a guarantee period of 12 months is foreseen.
The implementation period of the Twinning component is 18 months and the legal duration is set at 20 months. The implementation period of the Supply component under Sub-project 2 is 6 months and a guarantee period of 12 months is foreseen.
## ANNEX 3

**CONTRACTING AND DISBURSEMENT SCHEDULE BY QUARTERS FOR THE FULL DURATION OF THE PROGRAMME**

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**Arrangement between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Bulgaria** signed on 13 December 2003 for granting balance of payments support to the Government of the Republic of Bulgaria for a total amount not exceeding MEUR 2.2. The balance of payments support envisages aiding the country’s preparation for EU membership and could be used for the improvement of border control equipment. At present this financial aid is not yet specified neither as kind of the technical support, nor as location of the “beneficiary” customs office. The proposal of the BCA is for the delivery of one Mobile X-ray inspection system for trucks and containers, min. 2500 kV for Customs Kalotina. A tender procedure is under preparation at the Ministry of Finance.

**Negotiations with UK Foreign Office for providing assistance in the field of strengthening the capacities of the Bulgarian Customs Administration in its efforts for combating illicit trafficking of drugs and precursors.** Several visits have been carried out by representatives and experts from UK Foreign Office. They visited the Central Customs Directorate, Svilegrad Customs House, BCP Kapitan Andreewo, Customs Burgas and BCP Malko Tarnovo with the purpose of getting acquainted with the conditions and the NCA needs in the field of the fight against illicit trafficking of drug substances and precursors. On 14 January 2004 the Minister of Finance of the Republic of Bulgaria and the Charge d’Affaires of the UK Embassy in Bulgaria signed a memorandum for the construction of a facility for efficient control on heavy-freight vehicles at BCP Malko Tarnovo. The cost of the facility is 250 000 GBP. Its construction will enhance the capacity of the customs officers to conduct better border control. The Government of the UK will finance the construction of a Hall for Detailed Customs Check in BCP Malko Tarnovo and it is planned that an X-ray system for inspection of pallets, larger than the euro-pallets will be delivered. Also for the needs of BCP Lesovo one Search Kit and one Portable Drugs Detector are planned to be delivered till the end of June 2005.

**US Government Programme for export control & border security (EXBS)**
The US State Department through the US Embassy in Sofia organizes training seminars for customs officers and officers from the Ministry of Interior. This programme aims to enhance border detection and to check the effectiveness of the export control procedures of weapons of mass destruction as well to assist in developing integrated weapons of mass destruction response capabilities and procedures by the means of carrying out exercises, training and delivery of limited IT hardware and equipment.
Trade and Transport Facilitation in Southeast Europe Project II (TTFSE II)

In the course of the preparation of a potential follow-up project (TTFSE II), the National Customs Agency developed initial proposals for financing infrastructure improvements and equipment. The following X-ray inspection system needs were identified:

(i) **Varna CH, Varna Port CP**: 2 X-ray inspection systems for euro-pallets;
(ii) **Rousse CH, East Port CP**: 1 stationary X-ray inspection system for large freight;
(iii) **Vidin CH, Bregovo CP and Vrashka Chuka CP**: 1 X-ray inspection system for euro-pallets per CP; and
(iv) **Lom CH, Lom Port CP**: 1 X-ray inspection system.

The aforesaid proposals are subject of further analysis and consideration by respective parties.
II. LIST OF THE SPECIALISED TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT TO BE SUPPLIED UNDER PHARE 2004-2006:

Total amount: **8.595.000 EUR** (including EU Support and National Co-financing)

Budget for Phase 1 (year 2004): **1.285.000 EUR** including the costs for an independent evaluator during the Tender Procedure.
EU Support: **963.000 EUR**.
National Co–financing: **322.000 EUR**.

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Budget for Phase 2 (year 2005): **3,060,000 EUR** including the costs for an independent evaluator during the Tender Procedure.
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National Co-financing: 765,000 EUR.

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National Co–financing: 1,063,000 EUR.

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III. Justification for the specialised technical equipment to be supplied under the Sub-project 1 Strengthening of the customs control on the future EU external borders

1. Common justification

The goal is through an increase of the technical equipment at the future outer borders of the EU to fulfill the recommendations of the World Customs Organization Task Force on Security & Facilitation of the International Trade Supply Chain; to decrease to a minimum the possibility for smuggling in excise goods, narcotic substances, precursors, weapons and dual use goods and technologies, currency, products made of precious metals and gems, artifacts, as well as to increase the clearance capacity of the customs offices servicing these borders through decreasing the time for clearance of vehicles and people.

The equipment is planned taking into account the specific characteristics of the passengers and freight flow depending on the type and quantity of the goods and the intensity of the traffic of passengers and vehicles.

The requested X-ray and other specialised equipment will allow for decreasing the time needed for customs clearance of containers, trucks, pallets and freight with extra large dimensions transported as hand baggage.

The quantity of each type of equipment is planned to ensure normal work of the customs officers shifts on duty in each customs border checkpoint

2. Justification concerning the functional, technical and quantitative needs at the international airports.

The following equipment is foreseen for delivery at the international airports in Sofia, Varna, Burgas and Plovdiv:

- Stationary X-ray cargo inspection system - Varna Airport – 1pce;
- Stationary X-ray inspection system for luggage, tunnel size width min. 100 cm and height min. 100 cm - for hall “Arrivals” - Sofia Airport – 1pce, Varna Airport – 1pce, Burgas Airport – 1pc and Plovdiv Airport – 1pce;

The device has such dimensions, because the passengers bring in the hall “Arrivals” all their luggage /cabin baggage and baggage transported in the airplane’s cargo compartment/, including the baggage that is not inspected by the customs officers on departure, but only by the security staff during the “check in” procedure.

- Stationary X-ray inspection system for luggage, tunnel size width 55 cm and height 75 cm - for hall “Departures” - Burgas Airport – 1pce and Plovdiv Airport – 1pce.

The device has smaller tunnel size, because the passengers bring in the hall “Departures” only their cabin baggage, which is being limited by size and weight.

- Suspect documents examination facility – Sofia airport, Varna airport, Burgas airport, Plovdiv Airport – 1 pce each;

Will be used for initial check of customs documents, accompanying the goods, as well as currency banknotes.

- Hand-held drugs detector – 1 pce.

Will be used by the Anti-drug trafficking unit of the Sofia airport.

At present the NCA does not possess X-ray inspection systems for cargo at the international airports. X-ray systems manufactured in 1985 are being used for cabin baggage inspection, which do not meet the requirements of Doc. 308th Edition September 2001; European Civil Aviation Conference. With the requested X-ray systems it is
expected the control over the cargo and the luggage to be improved. This will lead to an increase of the security of the flights and a decrease of the smuggling of goods, hidden among the passengers’ luggage.

The traffic via the Sofia airport is over 200 passenger and cargo planes weekly and the number of the passengers passing through the airport is over 23000.

The traffic via the Varna airport is over 100 passenger and cargo planes weekly and the number of the passengers passing through the airport is over 23000. During the tourist season the number of the planes reaches 200 and the number of the passengers 27000.

The Burgas airport may service both civil and military planes. The traffic at the Burgas airport is over 40 passenger and cargo planes weekly and the number of the passengers passing through the airport is over 8000. During the tourist season the number of the planes reaches over 80, mostly charter planes.

The Plovdiv airport often serves as a reserve airstrip for Sofia. The traffic at the Varna airport is over 15 passenger and cargo planes weekly and the number of the passengers passing through the airport is over 600.

Through the airports are transported mostly cargo and courier shipments, as well as special production from Burgas airport. Comparatively high percentage of the import is the import of electronic components and mobile phones and accessories. The Chinese and Dubai “cargo” also share a large volume of the import. Attempts for fictitious re-export and smuggling of cigarettes at the Plovdiv airport have been registered.

3. Justification concerning the functional, technical and quantitative needs at the Black Sea ports.

The international ports at Varna and Burgas are the largest Bulgarian ports on the Black Sea. These are in fact large complexes of port facilities that include as follows:
- Varna port – 5 BCPs;
- Burgas port – 3 BCPs.

The following equipment has been foreseen for these:
- A mobile X-ray inspection system for containers, type “mobile X-ray system – stationary object” with 2500kV voltage of the X-ray tube – 1pce. for Varna port, which can be used at Burgas port as well;
- Stationary X-ray inspection system for luggage, tunnel size width min. 100 cm and height min.100 cm – 1pce. for Varna port and 1pce. for Burgas port;
- Suspect documents examination facility – 1pce. for Varna port.

Varna port weekly processes on the average 78 cargo ships, 1 passenger ship, 26 cars, 1 bus and 16 trucks. Varna port is linked directly with Russia, Ukraine and Georgia via ferryboat and through the railway Rousse-Varna with the Trans-european network Rhein – Main – Dunav. Main cargoes include containers, coal, cement, sodium, liquid and chemical substances and grain. Varna port also services passenger ships and yachts.
Burgas port is one of the biggest ports on the Black sea and is the biggest Bulgarian port. Burgas port weekly processes on the average 72 cargo ships, 1 passenger ship, 7 cars, 150 trucks and about 1800 passengers. Each day 200-300 railway freight carriages are being processed and the monthly goods turnover is around 500 000 tones. Burgas port is linked directly with Georgia via ferryboat and is part of TEN corridor 8.

4. Justification concerning the functional, technical and quantitative needs at the borders with the Republic of Turkey

The following equipment has been foreseen for the customs offices situated at the above-listed border – BCP Kapitan Andreevo, BCP Lesovo and BCP Malko Tarnovo:

- A mobile X-ray inspection system for inspection of trucks, type “mobile object – stationary X-ray system” with 2500kV voltage of the X-ray tube – 1pce. for BCP Kapitan Andreevo;

The X-ray inspection systems of this type will enable a 100% control of the vehicles crossing the border at the two checkpoints without unloading them whereas the inspected vehicle goes under the so-called “X-ray frame”. At present NCA does not possess such equipment. This X-ray system will allow nearly 100% check of the trucks processed at this BCP. Moreover the clearance capacity of the BCP Kapitan Andreevo will be equalized with the Turkish BCP Kapakule, which has a stationary X-ray system for inspection of trucks.

- Portable X-ray inspection system for inspection of gas bottles of the ignition system of cars – 1pce. for BCP Kapitan Andreevo;

This system allows for inspection of gas bottles of the ignition system of the cars, without their dismantling. At present NCA does not possess such equipment at its disposal. This X-ray system will allow for near 100% check of the gas bottles of the cars passing through the BCP. Specifically trained staff, specialised instruments and a gas station for emptying and filling the bottles are needed if dismantling the gas bottles;

- Stationary X-ray inspection system for inspection of euro-pallets, tunnel size width minimum 145 cm and height minimum 180 cm - 1pce. for BCP Lesovo;

The requested X-ray systems will enable a 100% control of the euro-pallets with the above dimensions without their additional unpacking to separate articles or objects level, because otherwise this will lead to an increase of the time needed for goods processing, and thus to an increase in length of the customs clearance. The system will be installed at the Hall for Detailed Customs Check at BCP Lesovo.

- Stationary X-ray inspection system for luggage, tunnel size width 100 cm and height 100 cm – 1pce. for BCP Malko Tarnovo;

These devices will enable nearly 100% physical checks of the luggage of passengers that will be handled at the BCP Malko Tarnovo.

- Search kits including contraband detector, flexible endoscope, ultrasonic distance estimator, telescopic search mirror with torch, accessories and rugged storage case – 2pcs. for BCP Lesovo;

These will be used for inspection of vehicles and luggage selected after analysis and risk assessment.

- Electric fork lift truck – 1pce. for BCP Lesovo.

It will be used for loading and unloading activities and transporting the controlled goods to the X-ray system for inspection of euro pallets in the Hall of Detailed Customs Check of the BCP Lesovo.

BCP Kapitan Andreevo is one of the biggest land border checkpoints in Europe and is located at the main route connecting the Middle East with the Central and Western Europe.

On the average weekly in both directions cross about 4700 trucks, 1100 buses, 8500 cars and 60 000 persons. According to the traffic through the BCP in both directions cross
more than 2000 vehicles, average daily. Through the BCP Kapitan Andreevo passes also the so-called “Balkan route” of the narcotic. There is also a large number of “trunk dealers”. Through the point are being transported all kinds of goods, packed in every possible way – containers, pallets, refrigerator trucks, etc.

The new BCP Lesovo is planned to be part of the Regional Customs Directorate Bourgas. This BCP is located at the border with Turkey and it is planned to become operational about the end of May and the beginning of June 2005. Between 60 and 80 customs officers will be working at the BCP. Recruitment procedure for new employees has been carried out at NCA and 25 people have been selected to work at BCP Lesovo. Now they are attending a course for customs officers at the National Training Center. The number of the customs officers for BCP Lesovo exceeding the 25 newly appointed employees will be selected among the current NCA stuff. It is expected this BCP to divert about 30% of the traffic of BCP Kapitan Andreevo.

BCP Malko Tarnovo is located at the International route E-87 at the border with Turkey. On the average weekly in both directions cross about 160 trucks, 335 buses, 720 cars and 13 000 persons. According to the traffic through the BCP in both directions cross more than 170 vehicles, average daily. Through the BCP Kapitan Andreevo the buses loaded with goods, carried by the “trunk dealers” reach the Romanian border (BCP Durankulak) via the international route E-87. Through the BCP Malko Tarnovo are transported textile, clothing, cosmetics, household commodities, auto accessories, CDs and different types of food.

5. Justification concerning the functionality, the technical and quantitative needs at the borders with FYROM and Serbia and Montenegro.

For the Customs Offices located at the a.m. borders, the following equipment is foreseen:

- Portable X-ray inspection system for inspection of gas bottles of the ignition system of cars – 1pce. for Customs Kalotina and 1pce. for BCP Gueshevo;
  The system gives an opportunity for inspection of gas bottles of the ignition system of cars, without being deinstalled.
  Currently the BCA does not have such equipment at its disposal. This X-ray system will ensure 100% inspection of the gas bottles of the crossing cars through both BCPs.

- Stationary X-ray inspection system for euro-pallets, tunnel size width min. 145cm and height min.180cm. – 1pce. for BCP Gueshevo;
  The X-ray system will ensure almost 100% inspection of all euro-pallets, without unpacking.
  The system will be installed in the Hall for Detailed Customs Checks, located at BCP Gueshevo.

- Search kit /including contraband detector, ultrasonic distance estimator, flexible endoscope, telescopic search mirror with torch, accessories and rugged storage case/ - 1pce. for BCP Strezimirvoci, 1pce. for Customs Kalotina, 1pce. for BCP Vrashka chuka, 1pce. for BCP Bregovo;
  They will be used for inspection of vehicles and luggages selected after analysis and risk assessment.

- Endoscope (Flexible Fiber Optic), petrol modified – 1pce. for Customs Kalotina.
  It will ensure safe inspection of petrol containing vessels;

- Suspect documents examination facility – 1pce. for Customs Kalotina;
  It will be used for initial check of customs documents accompanying the goods as well as currency banknotes.

- Hand held drugs detector – 1pce. for Customs Kalotina.
  It will be used by the Anti-drug trafficking unit.
BCP Gueshevo is located at the border with FYROM. On the average weekly in both directions cross about 860 trucks, 340 buses, 2430 cars and 22000 persons. According to the traffic through the BCP in both directions cross more than 520 vehicles, average daily. The main Turkish bus-traffic from Turkey to Kosovo and from FYROM to Turkey passes through the BCP. Also the number of the passing so called “trunk dealers” is high. The trucks transport mainly plaster, lead concentrate, Zink, sheet metal, bricks, sodium, cement, cardboard and products thereof.

BCP Strezimirovci is located at the border with Serbia. On the average weekly in both directions cross about 17 trucks, 3 buses, 314 cars and 1200 persons. According to the traffic through the BCP in both directions cross more than 50 vehicles, average daily.

Customs Kalotina is the biggest and the most traffic intensive point, located at the border with Serbia. On the average weekly in both directions cross about 1825 trucks, 560 buses, 7620 cars and 60000 persons. According to the traffic through the Customs in both directions cross more than 1400 vehicles and 8600 persons, average daily. Through the point are being transported all kinds of goods, packed in every possible way – containers, pallets, refrigerator trucks, etc. Most of the cases of smuggling weapons and ammunitions, hidden in the gas bottles of the cars are being revealed here.

BCP Bregovo is located at the border with Serbia. On the average weekly in both directions cross about 80 trucks, 140 buses, 1170 cars and 8500 persons. According to the traffic through the BCP in both directions cross more than 200 vehicles and 1200 persons, average daily. The major problem are the so called “trunk dealers” from both sides. Through the point are being transported mainly different types of foods, textiles, clothing, household commodities, cigarettes and petrol.

BCP Vrashka chuka is located at the border with Serbia. On the average weekly in both directions cross about 358 trucks, 90 buses, 420 cars and 3500 persons. According to the traffic through the BCP in both directions cross more than 120 vehicles and 500 persons, average daily. Through the point are being transported mainly different types of foods, textiles, clothing, household commodities, cigarettes and petrol.

6. Justification concerning the functionality, the technical and quantitative needs at the land border with Romania.

The following equipment is foreseen for Customs Silistra:
- Stationary X-ray inspection system for euro-pallets, tunnel size width min. 145cm and height min.180cm. – 1pce.;
  The X-ray system will ensure almost 100 percent inspection of all euro-pallets, without unpacking. The system will be installed in the Hall for Detailed Customs Checks, located at BCP Silistra.
- Search kit /including contraband detector, ultrasonic distance estimator, flexible endoscope, telescopic search mirror with torch, accessories and rugged storage case/ - 1pce.;
  It will be used for inspection of vehicles and luggages selected after analysis and risk assessment.
- Suspect documents examination facility – 2pcs.;
  They will be used for initial check of customs documents accompanying the goods as well as currency banknotes.
- Internal combustion fork lift truck – 1pce.
It will be used for loading/unloading and transportation of the inspected goods to the euro-pallets X-ray system in the Hall for Detailed Customs Checks at BCP Silistra Port.

On the average weekly in both directions cross about 185 trucks, 30 buses, 250 cars and 7850 persons. According to the traffic through the BCP in both directions cross more than 60 vehicles and 1100 persons, average daily.

Through the point are being transported mainly industrial goods from Turkey to Moldova, Ukraine, Russia, Poland and Czech Republic - textiles, clothing, shoes, cosmetics, tools, automobiles spare parts, etc.

IV. NEEDS ASSESSMENT FOR THE EQUIPMENT TO BE SUPPLIED UNDER SUB-PROJECT 2

Development of system for control of import and export of agricultural goods related to the Common agricultural policy

Component 3 – Supply of laboratory equipment

The draft Technical Specifications will be prepared by the National Customs Agency and will be reviewed by an independent expert under Component 2 of Sub-project 2. Most of the analytical methods for determination of the quantity of components in processed agricultural products will require very precise and high capacity sample preparation techniques and instrumentation for extraction, digestion and other separation means, high capacity homogenisators, etc. Additional need in that type of equipment is expected. More units gaschromatographs are expected to be necessary for dedicated analyses of milk fat content in processed products, biscuits, chocolate etc.
ANNEX 5

REFERENCE LIST TO RELEVANT LAWS AND REGULATIONS

Sub-Project 1:

2. Law on the Control of Foreign Trade Activity in Arms and in Dual - Use Goods and Technologies
3. Regulation on Implementation of the Law on Control of the Foreign Trade Activity in Arms and Dual-Use Goods and Technologies and for Amendment of Legal Acts of the Council of Ministers
5. DECISION ? 704 of 1 November 2002 on the adoption of the Guidelines for Transfer of Sensitive Chemical and Biological Items of the Australia Group - International Export Control Regime

Sub-Project 2:

Bulgarian legislation:

1. Customs Act;
2. Implementing Provisions of the Customs Act;

EU legislation:

1. Customs Code – R 2913/92;
2. Implementing Regulation R 2454/93;
3. Regulation 1291/2000 laying down common detailed rules for the application of the system of import and export licenses and advance fixing certificates;
4. Regulation 800/1999 laying down common detailed rules for the application of the system of export refunds on agricultural products;
5. Regulation 386/1990 on the monitoring carried out at the time of export of the agricultural products receiving refunds or other amounts;
6. Regulation 2090/2002 laying down rules for the applying Council Regulation 386/90 as regards physical checks carried out when agricultural products qualifying for refunds are exported;
7. Regulation 3122/94 laying down criteria for risk analysis as regards agricultural products receiving refunds;
8. Regulation 3846/87 establishing an agricultural product nomenclature for export refunds;
9. Regulation 3448/93 laying down the trade arrangements applicable to certain goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products;
ANNEX 6

REFERENCE LIST OF RELEVANT STRATEGIC PLANS AND STUDIES

1. National Strategy for Membership of the Republic of Bulgaria in EU
2. National Program for Adoption of the Acquis
3. National Action Plan for Adoption of the Schengen Acquis
5. Detailed plan of the activities for implementation of the objectives and the tasks included in the Strategy for rationalization of the BCA border operations
6. Business Strategy of the Bulgarian Customs Administration
7. Strategy for organisation and human resource management and for training and qualification
8. Customs blueprints for Border and Inland Control