

Documentation Call – 22nd March 2019

Submitted questions and answers for discussion

- If the UK reaches a withdrawal agreement with the EU then all documentation requirements, for EU and FTA markets would remain the same during any transition period

Yes

- Will UK certs of origin will be available from 12th April in the event that the UK leaves with no withdrawal agreement in place

Yes

- What happens if we need to cancel & replace an EC certificate of origin after we leave the E.U.?

A UK Certificate of Origin would be issued with details of the EC Certificate in Box 5 as normal

- Will there be a “guide” of sorts for certification staff on how to handle customer queries?

BCC will issue guidance and a short FAQ document

- What happens when a Letter of Credit or contract asks for an EC Certificate of origin after we leave the E.U.?

The Letter of Credit would need to be amended

- Do we know which markets currently taking EU Certs of Origin will actually require UK Certs of Origin in the event of a no deal Brexit as primary reason for a Cert of Origin is to access preferential tariff rates based on EU FTA's?

Non-preference certificates of origin do not grant access to preferential tariff rates. We expect all countries that previously accepted EC Certificates of Origin to still require UK Certificates of Origin

- Do we know if markets with FTA's with the EU will accept Invoices with EU Declaration and/or EU Cert of Origin and/or EUR1 for orders that had already been dispatched prior to the exit date but arrive after the exit date, or if amended documents will be required?

Both the EU and the UK have said that documents issued for goods leaving the UK before we leave the EU are legal and should be honoured

- Do we know if there will be additional documentation requirements for customers inside the EU or for customers outside of the EU where we deliver into the EU for onward movement and if so, what those documents would be e.g. UK Cert of Origin or new Age Certificates?

It will be for other European countries to decide what foreign evidence they accept in support of a Certificate of Origin raised in their country.

- What is the best way for certification staff to help clients on determining “origin”?

Origin determination will not change for non-preference certificates of origin however UK origin will no longer be part of EC origin so will be declared first followed by EC origin listing the countries as we do now. For the new UK reference EUR1 we will need to follow the rules as set out in the individual agreements.