

...commercial or professional procedures that are accepted or prescribed as being correct or most efficient!

UNIPASS Best Practices

Background

Claims

Appraisals

The Journey to UNIPASS

The Roll Out

State of Affairs

The EFFECT

My Take

Background

- NEED FOR DIGITALIZATION
- 2002 – GCNET
- 2015 – WESTBLUE
- 2017 – PAPERLESS (VP, GH)

CLOSE OF 2017

UNIPASS KITE FLOWN

Claims

- Superior System
- End-to-End
- Single Vendor
- Real Single Window
- 30% Improvement

Appraisals

The Single Window
& Paperless System,
The Journey So Far.
Need for UNIPASS?



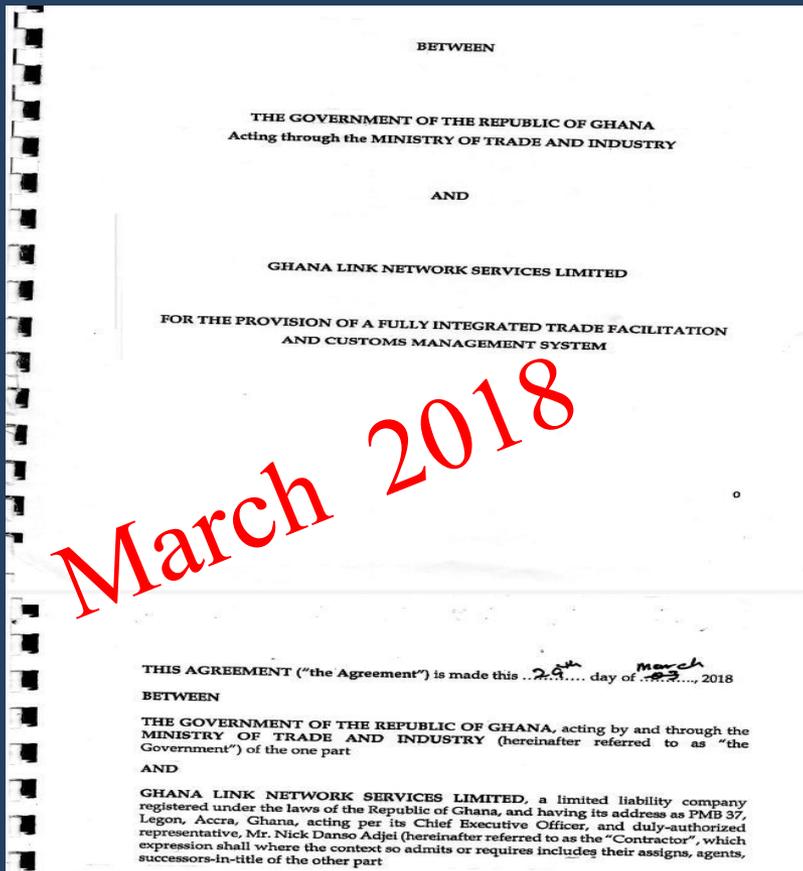
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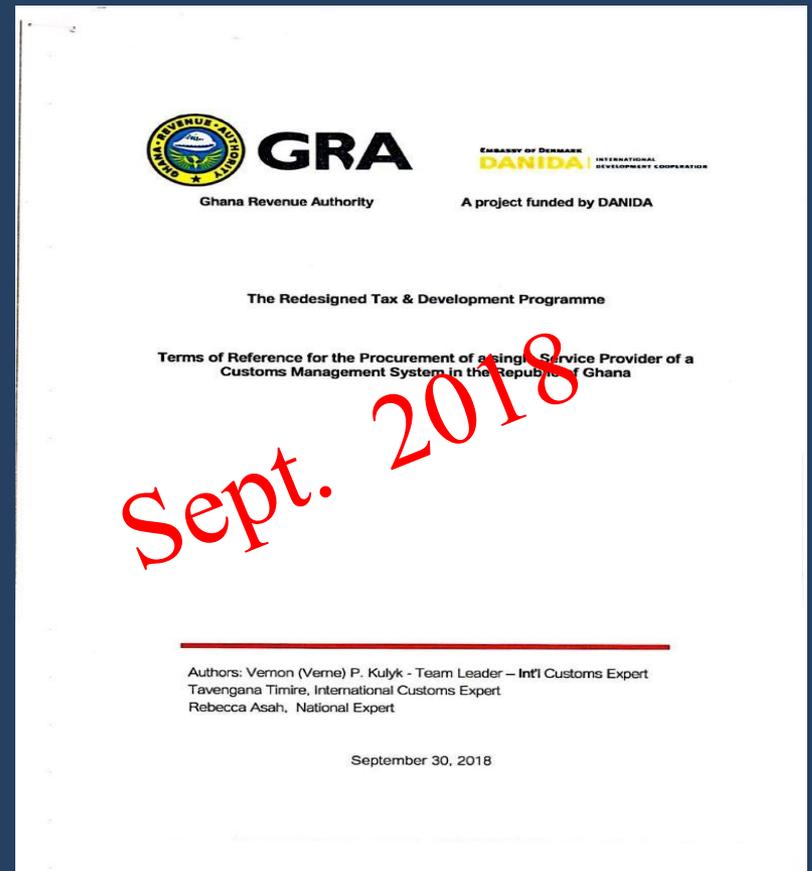
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The Journey to UNIPASS

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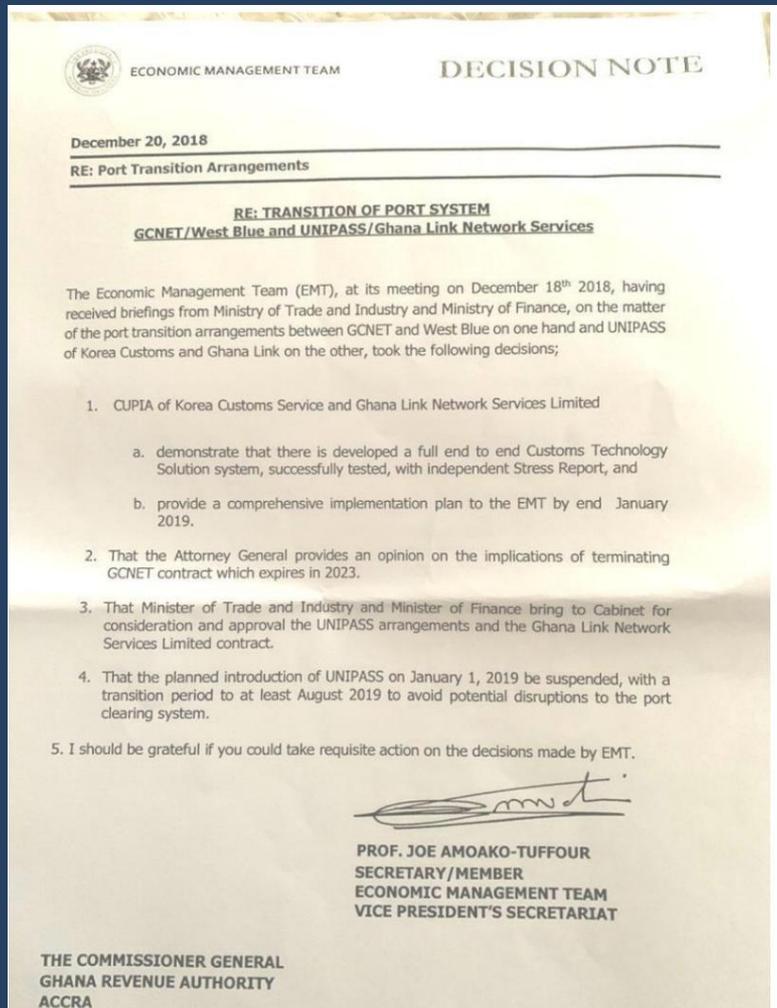


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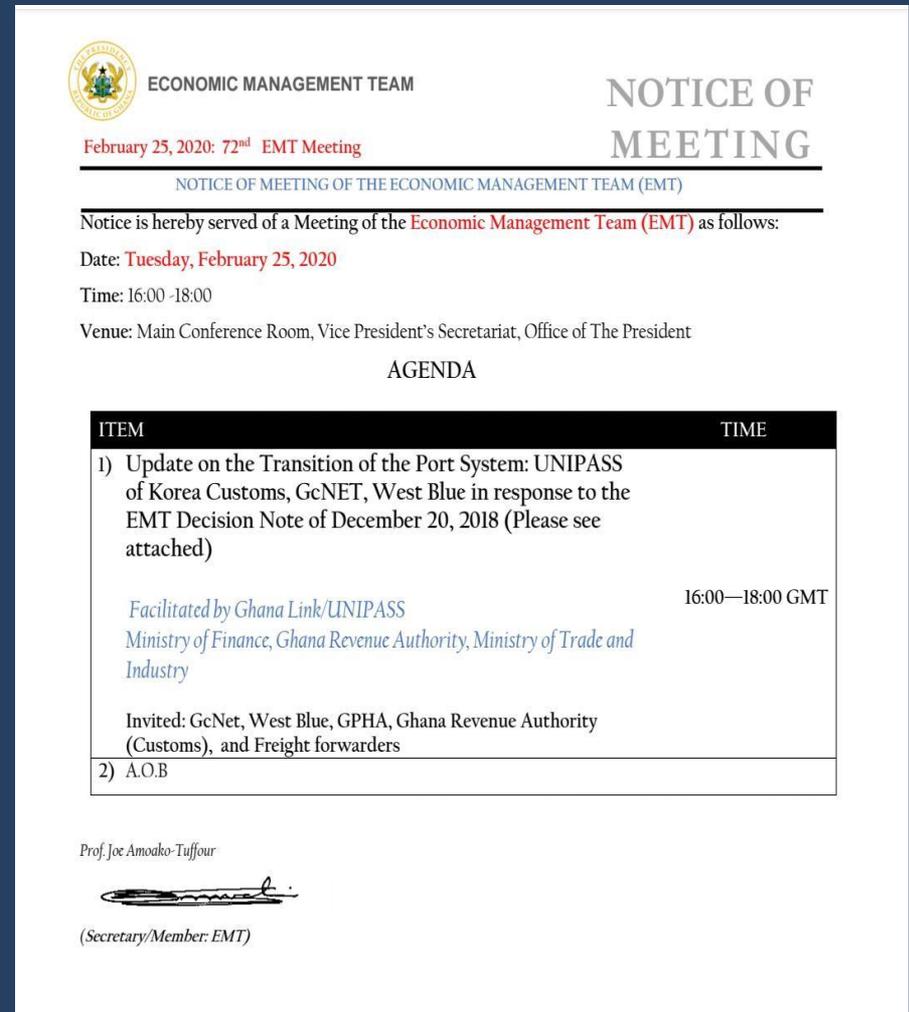


The Journey continued...

THE DECISION NOTE



UPDATE AS PER DECISION NOTE



The Roll Out

THE CHARGE TO DEPLOY

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DEPLOYMENT OF THE NEW CUSTOMS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

We thank you very much for the constructive meeting held between the leadership of freight forwarders, officers of the Customs Division of Ghana Revenue Authority (GRA), and the Deputy Minister for Finance at the Nick Royal Hotel in Tema on 12th February 2020.

Government has taken note of the suggestions you made and will take them into consideration as we deploy the new customs management system.

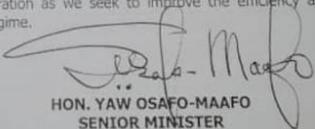
Please be informed that from 1st March 2020, importers will be required to clear their imports through the new customs management systems at the entry points listed in Appendix 1 of this letter. Imports through all other points of entry shall be processed through the existing Pre-Arrival Assessment Report System (PAARS) and Ghana Customs Management System (GCMS). We will inform you about the date and time when the new system would be fully deployed and when imports would no more be processed through the PAARS and GCMS.

As agreed at the meeting, system-user manuals and audio-video training materials would be dispatched to your members through your Committee by close of Friday, 28th February 2020. Same would be published at the website of the Ghana Revenue Authority. This is to compliment the training that Customs has provided for your members so far.

A well-equipped call centre is also ready to address the concerns of users and to give feedback to Ghana Customs and the Developer.

Please let all freight forwarders or their representatives take steps to procure their access codes as demonstrated during the training and as outlined in the material.

We thank you and look forward to your cooperation as we seek to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of Ghana's customs management regime.


HON. YAW OSAFO-MAAFO
SENIOR MINISTER

cc: The Chief of Staff, Jubilee House, Accra
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Hon Minister, AG&MJ, Accra
Hon Dep. Ministers, MoF, Accra
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- INADEQUATE TRAINING
- SYSTEMS UNAVAILABILITY
- NO TRANSITION PLAN

STATE OF AFFAIRS

DEPLOYMENT TIME LINES

- PREDOMINANTLY MANUAL FOR THE FRONTIERS – 01-03-2020
- TAKORADI WHOLLY MIGRATED – 01-04-2020
- THE HITCH – APRIL 28-30
- TEMA / KIA MIGRATED – 01-06-2020

THE NEW NORMAL?

END TO END NOT ACHIEVED

MANIFEST MATCHING – A NIGHTMARE

BIZZARE POST ENTRY COMPUTATIONS

MANUAL PROCESSES RE-INTRODUCED

QUESTIONABLE SYSTEMS CALCULUS

VEHICLE VALUATION AND CLEARANCE - PROBLEMATIC

SHIPPING LINE NON-INTEGRATION

TRANSIT – A FORGOTTEN REGIME?

HEAD LOAD PROCESSES RE-INTRODUCED AT THE FRONTIERS

MY TAKE

**IF THIS IS
THE NEW
NORMAL...**

**TIME RELATED COSTS WILL HAVE TO BE
FACTORED INTO THIS NEW NORMAL,
SO NO ACTOR, STATE OR PRIVATE
BENEFITS...**

**The best practices is to follow
the advice posted on every
railroad crossing.**

STOP. LOOK. LISTEN

-Sam Keen