



# St Kitts - Nevis Customs & Excise Department

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## COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE

### MEMORANDUM

**TO: AGENTS AND BROKERS**  
**FROM: COMPTROLLER OF CUSTOMS**  
**SUBJECT: ASYCUDA UPGRADE NOTICE**  
**DATE: TUESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2019**

The St. Kitts and Nevis Customs and Excise Department is in the process of upgrading our ASYCUDA WORLD to version 4.2.2-CC. The System will be shut down on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at 6pm and will be upgraded on that weekend. Notice is hereby given that this upgrade will be completed and operational on June 17<sup>th</sup> 2019 at 8:00am. The changes with the new version are minor and user friendly, but the ASYCUDA Team will still send out a list of changes concerning declaration processing and manifest creation a week before the server gets upgraded. The Training server has already been updated to allow users to practice and seek clarification where necessary. The main purpose for upgrading our current version is to be in compliance with A.C.I.S. (Advance Cargo Information System), fix current problems many persons have been experiencing and provide stronger risk management tools.

The ACIS Project introduces the concept of fully integrating Customs controls and procedures into the Regional Security Strategy, with respect to the import and export of goods, and the regional movement of persons into and out of participating Member States. The framework is built upon two (2) key pillars, namely, a "Regional Single Window Environment" and the "Coordinated Border Management" concept. At the thirteenth special meeting of CARICOM Heads of Government held on April 5th 2008, the decision to establish an Advance Cargo Information System for the region was reaffirmed.

The St. Kitts and Nevis Customs and Excise Department appeals for your patience as we make this transition. Collecting cargo information in advance will enable Customs authorities to identify high-risk shipments that could threaten the safety and security of St. Kitts and Nevis and the Region.

Regards



Kennedy De Silva  
Comptroller of Customs (Ag.)