U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and World BASC Organization (WBO) Joint Statement

Virtual Trade Week

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CTPAT is leading a CBP-wide effort to enhance the working relationship with the World BASC Organization through the signing of a Joint Statement that includes a nine-part action plan aimed at further strengthening the international supply chain.

About BASC and Its Mission
BASC is a non-profit, member driven association of 3,500 “trusted partners”, operating in 15 countries throughout the Americas, working in cooperation with global border agencies, governments and business organizations to secure the international supply chain.
Joint Statement - Background

1. History of 25 Years of U. S. Customs- BASC collaboration. In 1996, legacy U.S. Custom Service launched the Business Anti-Smuggling Coalition (BASC), the first customs-business partnership to combat drugs and contraband and secure the international supply chain.

2. BASC embodies the cornerstone of the WCO’s SAFE Framework of Standards: support for border security and trade facilitation.

3. CBP seeks partnerships with known and trusted business organizations that share strategic interests: (a) support for CBP border security mission; (b) network of trusted business partners in supply chain (b) support for US/CBP priorities at WCO level and in the high threat region of Latin America and the Caribbean.

   - Driven by 25 years of collaboration, mutual goals and support
   - CBP-wide initiative: Office of Intelligence and Office of International Affairs, led by the CTPAT program
   - Action Plan covers 9 objectives
   - Formalized through the signing of a new joint declaration between both organizations on April 27, 2021
Nine Objectives Under the CBP-BASC Action Plan:
1. Maritime and Port Security Committee
2. CTPAT Recognition of a BASC Supply Chain Partner
3. CBP Access to BASC database
4. Intel Sharing
5. Training and Outreach on supply chain security
6. Limited use of the CTPAT Logo
7. Supply Chain Security Committee
8. Presence at Key Meetings
9. Messaging
Thank You!

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