

GOVERNMENT RESOLUTION No. 24/2017

of May 17

**ADOPTS THE ASYCUDA WORLD COMPUTER SYSTEM AS A PLATFORM FOR
IMPLEMENTING THE SINGLE ELECTRONIC WINDOW OF TIMOR-LESTE**

Considering that the Automated Customs Data System (Asycuda World) consists of a fully integrated information management system used in 90 countries;

Bearing in mind that the Asycuda system aims to implement all international standards related to international trade data according to the conventions and recommendations of Organizations such as the World Customs Organization (WCO), the World Trade Organization (WTO);

Aware that the system covers the entire customs procedure, from the identification of high-risk goods for inspection, through the processing of tax payments and ending with the authorization to release and deliver the goods;

Given that Asycuda has simple, modern and transparent procedures, allowing the government to better control borders and avoid situations of fraud, thus contributing to increased revenues and protecting society;

Taking into account that Asycuda allows generating trade statistics that can be used in economic statistics analysis;

Recognizing that one of the objectives of the Fiscal Reform defined by the Government is the creation of the Single National Electronic Window that will allow the connection between all the services of the public administration, as well as the private sector;

Considering that a Single Electronic National Window system allows economic operators to present all their information, regarding imports, exports and transit required by the most diverse agencies through a single electronic portal, speeding up the customs process;

Aware that the National Electronic Single Window system is a relatively new and innovative approach to customs clearance processing, being increasingly adopted by countries worldwide;

Recognizing also, that the implementation of a Single National Electronic Window will benefit Timor-Leste in many ways, namely, by increasing cooperation with Customs in other countries, by increasing cooperation with public administration services, by increasing revenue collection, by reducing customs clearance times at borders, by providing real-time statistical information on international trade, reducing errors, as well as the cost of doing business in Timor-Leste;

Bearing in mind further, that the security of customs information is a vital issue worldwide;

Also taking into account that Asycuda offers the best protection for the data it processes, being compatible with the latest technologies in terms of security, such as fingerprints, iris reading and other means of biometric recognition;

Considering, finally, the fact that the State must standardize and ration its resources, taking into account a good management of public goods and the transparency of its acts;

Thus,

The Government resolves, under the terms of point a) of paragraph 1 of article 115 of the Constitution of the Republic, the following:

1. To approve the adoption of the Automated Customs Data System (Asycuda World), as a computer platform at the national level for the implementation of the Single National Electronic Window.
2. Public administration services, namely Customs, Ports, Airports, Quarantine, and other entities related to the import and export of goods must use the system or adapt their systems to the aforementioned platform, aiming at the interoperability of systems, thus allowing all documents to be sent electronically, namely manifests, both by air and by sea.
3. This Resolution enters into force on the day following its publication.

Approved by the Council of Ministers on April 25, 2017.

Be it published.

The Prime Minister,

Dr. Rui Maria de Araújo