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**NOTE FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE MEMBERS OF THE ELECTRONIC CUSTOMS
 COORDINATION GROUP AND TRADE CONTACT GROUP**

**Subject: Decommissioning of older version of certain ICS2 messages – FINAL
 REMINDER (follow-up on the note Ares(2025)8334989)**

In October 2025, you were formally informed via the note Ares(2025)8334989 that the version 2 (v2) of certain ICS2 messages will be decommissioned **on 3 February 2026**. Consequently, from that date onwards, **only the new version (v3) of these messages will be used**. If ENS filings using those messages in v2 need to be amended after the decommissioning, amendments will not be possible: the ENS filings will have to be invalidated, and the data will have to be re-lodged using v3 messages. **This concerns v2 of the messages IE3F10, IE3A10, IE3F13, IE3A13, IE3F17, IE3A17, IE3F34, IE3A34, IE3F40, IE3A40, IE3F41, IE3A41, IE3F45, IE3A45, IE3F50, IE3A50, IE3F51, IE3A51, IE3Q05.**

The version 3 of the above messages was introduced in July 2025 with the ICS2 software release 3.1.0.0 to provide Member States' risk analysts more accurate ENS data needed for the risk assessment (house level transport document, estimated date and time of arrival, etc.). As a reminder,

- Such functional changes and their implementation planning are proactively shared via the KEL that is published in CIRCABC every month and presented during the ICS2 monthly operational/technical calls;
- During the last ECCG joint with TCG sessions in October and November 2025, TAXUD invited again the Economic operators impacted by the change to implement the new version (v3) well in advance before the cut-off date;
- On 09/12/2025, TAXUD sent another reminder via email to the TCG members, inviting them to liaise with ITSM in case of concerns or questions on the technical configuration.

Today, we see that some Economic operators haven't started using v3 yet for the concerned messages, and others are still submitting those messages in both versions (v2 and v3). However, at this time, no Economic operators have shared concrete technical issues in details regarding the decommissioning. Since security and safety is a critical topic and risk assessments must be conducted with the highest standards possible, **TAXUD will proceed with the decommissioning as planned.**

Via this final reminder, I urge you to complete the transition from v2 to v3 for the impacted messages for ENS filings not to be rejected because of the decommissioning on 3 February 2026. The technical complexity of the change is low and once again, I invite you to liaise with ITSM support (support@itsmtaxud.europa.eu) if you have questions on the configuration steps to follow. For instance, we could notice some incidents on messages rejection because the messages referred to the wrong namespace.

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