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THE EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY CUSTOMS MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2012

MEMORANDUM

The principal object of this Bill is to amend the East African Customs Management Act, 2004 by inserting in the Act a new section providing for the prevention and suppression of money laundering, drugs and arms trafficking, infringement of intellectual property rights and terrorism.

In this pursuit the Customs shall work together with the relevant authorities in the Partner States in exchanging information, in carrying out joint investigations, in arresting suspected offenders and in carrying out such other functions as may be necessary to achieve the object of this Bill.

HON. MUSA SIRMA EGH,
Chairperson Council of Ministers.
THE EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY CUSTOMS MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2012

ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES

Clause
1. Short title
2. Insertion of section 249A
THE EAST AFRICAN CUSTOMS MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2012

A Bill for an Act

ENTITLED

THE EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY CUSTOMS MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2012


ENACTED by the East African Community and assented to by the Heads of State.

1. This Act may be cited as the East African Community Customs Management (Amendment) Act, 2012.

2. The East African Community Customs Management Act, 2004 is amended by inserting immediately after section 249, the following new section—

249A (1) The Customs shall collaborate with the relevant authorities in the Partner States to prevent and suppress money laundering, drugs and arms trafficking, dealings in counterfeits, infringement of intellectual property rights and terrorism.
(2) In performing the functions specified under subsection (1), the Customs shall—

(a) provide the necessary information to the relevant authorities when requested;

(b) work in collaboration with the relevant authorities in any investigation;

(c) perform any other function related to the activities specified under subsection (1).

(3) In this section “relevant authority” means an authority in a Partner State which is authorized to perform a specified function.”