Regulation Governing
Transit Goods
in the Co-operation Council
for the Arab States of the Gulf

(These regulations have been approved by the Financial and Economical Co-operation Committee in its second meeting in June 19-20th 1982, for implementing the Fifth Article of the Unified Economic Agreement.

These regulations were effective from the First of March 1983 and were applied to commodities coming through land, sea and air).

First :

Permitting the shipment of commodities in means of Transportation through the lands of all the countries signatory to the Unified Economic Agreement, without delay, restriction or discrimination on the type of the containers.

Transit containers have to meet the following conditions:

1 - They have to be designed for shipping commodities according to the Customs Seals System.

2 - Possibility of the Customs Seals to be stamped easily and effectively.

3 - Impossibility of taking out any commodities from the stamped part, or putting any thing in it, without leaving a clear spot or breaking the Custom's Seals.

4 - They should not contain unseen cavities that would make it easy to hide any commodity in them.

5 - The uncovered means of transportation must be packed with tight covers, tied with ropes and wrapped with a wire from outside, leaving it possible to stamp with the Customs Seals ensuring the safety of the load.

Second :

Wrapping Requirements :

1 - The cover must consist of a single untorn piece that would make it impossible to reach the load.

2 - The whole truck box must be covered completely on both sides.

3 - The cover must have certain rings fixed inside and around the cloth.

The rope must consists of one piece, in a length that would allow gathering the two sides after passing through the covers rings, and the box to be stamped by lead.

Third :

Customs Seals:

Customs Seals must be clear and carry the word (CUSTOMS) and the country's name in Arabic.

Fourth :

Transit Manifest:

Means of Transportation must be accompanied with a Transit manifest according to the Layout approved by the GCC Countries.

Fifth :

Exceptional shipments such as the commodities which can't be wrapped but can be examined and counted are excluded from the condition provided for in paragraphs 1st, 2nd and 3rd shown above.

Sixth :

Exchanging the Signatures of the Customs officials who are authorized to sign on clearing documents, and the official Customs seals for this purpose.