

THE BALTIC ASSEMBLY

RESOLUTION

On the Cooperation of the Baltic States in Combating Smuggling

The Baltic Assembly,

considering the negative influence of the smuggling of alcohol, tobacco products and oil products on the economies of the Baltic States,

recommends the Baltic Council of Ministers:

- to ensure that the governments of the Baltic States conclude an agreement on a common transit procedure;
- to achieve an agreement on conditions of guaranteeing the transit of goods in the Baltic States;
- to propose that the Government of the Republic of Latvia introduce a state-guaranteed transit procedure through customs which is similar to that of the countries of the European Union and which is already functioning in Estonia and Lithuania;
- to facilitate the unification of criminal and administrative penalties for offenses related to smuggling and transit.

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