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## THE DETERMINANTS AFFECTING THE CUSTOMS RISK MANAGEMENT (CRM) IN DONG NAI PROVINCE

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**ABSTRACT** In modern customs management, the application of risk management (RM) is considered to be important. The customs risk management can identify the key areas of potential high risk of smuggling, trade fraud, tax evasion and budget deficits so that customs administrations can take effective preventive measures. At the same time, it will create favorable conditions for enterprises to obey customs law. The objective of this study is to find out various factors affecting the customs risk management (CRM) in Dong Nai province. Data surveyed 200 managers of enterprises related to Dong Nai customs. The surveying time is from 9/2017 to 3/2018. Data processed by SPSS 20.0 and method used by the multiple linear regression analysis. The research results showed there are three key factors that affecting the customs risk management (CRM) in Dong Nai province significance 5 percent.

KEYWORDS: Customs, Risk, CRM, Management, LHU

### **INTRODUCTION**

Customs Risk Management (CRM) is a key tool to help customs agencies meet the requirements of the international trade environment. Over the past time, the operation of the CRM has been effectively implemented by the Dong Nai Customs, contributing to the management work, increasing budget revenue as well as creating legal compliance for enterprises and improving the customs-business partnership. Besides, the operational risk management in customs is the application of a system of professional measures and processes to arrange and arrange reasonable resources for effective analysis, evaluation and management. The fields, objects are in danger of violation of customs law. Dong Nai customs needs to improve the effectiveness of data collection and risk management, this will further enhance information technology, communication and guidance to improve the knowledge and capacity of the team. Dong Nai customs servants working in risk management; strengthening the collection of business information inside and outside the province in order to build a complete system of business records; discussing with the concerned agencies in the localities to unify the contents and modes of supply and exchanging of information in service of the State management

In addition, Dong Nai customs should regularly review risks arising in the area, analyze and evaluate information, identify the risks, propose risk records, timely prevent violations. At the same time, Dong Nai customs should propagate to raise the sense of law observance of enterprises, organizations and individuals engaged in export and import activities, exit and entry activities in order to limit the arising risks. However, the implementation of customs procedures in the customs sector is still limited in scope and level of professional expertise; the collection and processing of customs information and risk management is also fragmented, lack of uniformity and professionalism. One of the main reasons leading to the above situation is that there is no legal status to be the focal point for building, advising and

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organizing the collection and processing of information. Combined with the practical requirements of the teaching job, the researchers had chosen topic "*The determinants affecting the customs risk management (CRM) in Dong Nai province*" as a study. This study helps improving policy on the management of the customs risk management (CRM) in Dong Nai province better in the future.

## LITERATURE REVIEW

**Customs risk management (CRM):** Anderson, K. and Terp, A. (2006) showed that CRM has its own limited legacy in literature, consisting mainly of policy papers, practitioner guidelines, technical reports, project reports, and press releases. Academic literature is currently very limited, possibly due to its previously perceived niche nature and security sensitivities linked with the topic. At first, the research team will share a few snapshots on project reports and press releases written by customs administrations themselves, in chronological order found through Google with the keyword "Customs risk management".

According to Anderson, K. and Terp, A. (2006): "Customs risk management has always been at the core of customs administration and is a fundamental discipline enshrined within the WCO's Revised Kyoto Convention on the Simplification and Harmonization of Customs Procedures. It has proven to be the most effective means of managing the huge volumes of cargo that enter the country every day of the week because it allows an administration to concentrate resources on areas of high-risk while allowing low-risk cargo to flow unimpeded into the commerce of the country. Besides, Conrow E.H (2003) claimed that customs risk management coupled with good intelligence and effective data analysis allows the profiling and targeting of cargo prior to arrival at a port so that low risk cargo. CRM can be released immediately and high-risk cargo can be diverted for physical examination by Harrison, M. (2007).

**The Customs procedure (CP)**: The procedures of risk management have recently been published in a few papers. According to Conrow E.H (2003), a risk management framework encompasses the scope, the process/system/procedures to manage risks and the roles and responsibilities of the individual related to risk management. Besides, Chapman C.B., Ward, S.C (2013) studied that the effective risk management framework includes the risk management policies and procedures that cover risk identification, acceptance, measurement, monitoring, reporting and control. The main risks that occur when business processes are not carefully considered and defined, with the right processes to be provided at an appropriate time.

Conrow E.H (2003) showed that customs procedure reducing congestion cargo, passenger, enterprises and strengthening the goods declared periodically affecting the customs risk management. Chapman C.B., Ward, S.C (2013) claimed that customs procedure encouraging self-assessment of enterprises and allowing enterprises (instead of customs) filing trade and many key documents affecting the customs risk management. Conrow E.H (2003) studied that customs procedure strengthening the news report and the declaration by electronic means and increasing the use of information systems affecting the customs risk management. Vanany, I., Pujawan, N. (2009) showed that customs procedure encouraging enterprises in complying customs law and complying new procedure affecting the customs risk management.

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The above mentioned the customs procedure, the researchers have hypothesis 1:

H1: The customs procedure had positive relation to the customs risk management (CRM) in Dong Nai province

**The communication (C)**: communication is another important consideration for effective risk management. Conrow E.H (2003) claimed that communication plays an important role in risk mitigation. It provides opportunities for clarification, for making sense of the organization's progress, and for members to discuss how to improve the organization and the impact of using different risk mitigation strategies.

Vanany, I., Pujawan, N. (2009) showed that the communication process provides opportunities for members to understand their roles and responsibilities as the structure of the organization changes. In case, the wide range of people from a broad cross-section of the business. There is involved in the risk identification and assessment process and if there are no "taboo" subjects which prevent conventional wisdom within the organization being challenged when necessary. Financial institutions need to consider the concept of verifiability. If a different group of members were making the same decision about the importance of risks, it would come to the same conclusion by Sergey M. Avdoshin (2008).

Conrow E.H (2003) claimed that customs had good cooperation, answering questions between enterprises and customs in other countries affecting the customs risk management. Vanany, I., Pujawan, N. (2009) showed that customs had good cooperation between agencies such as banks, airports, airlines and customs in other provinces affecting the customs risk management. Sergey M. Avdoshin (2008) studied that customs strengthening to exchange the information between the customs authorities in the provinces and in other regions affecting the customs risk management. Conrow E.H (2003) claimed that customs joining Asia seminars and conferences to exchange the information between the customs et management.

The above mentioned the communication, the researchers have hypothesis 2:

H2: The communication had positive relation to the customs risk management (CRM) in Dong Nai province.

**The Information Technology (IT)**: an organization is on such a large scale that it would be difficult for members to communicate and share information without an information technology infrastructure by Conrow E.H (2003). Information technology can enable prompt searches, the access of and retrieval of data, and support communication in an organization. Sergey M. Avdoshin (2008) showed that information technology is changing rapidly and no one can predict exactly what will happen in the next few years. The best thing today will be better in the future. There are many components of the underlying infrastructure technology that are involved in implementing the transition from the current system to the underconstruction system, and the potential risks of technology must be closely monitored and monitored.

Conrow E.H (2003) suggests using IT to drive effective risk management. IT can create an important link between risk management and corporate performance. IT provides data security by employee level, limiting a user's access by time, line of business, business activity and individual risk. Besides, Sergey M. Avdoshin (2008) showed that IT tools collect data used in the past so companies can learn through experience and avoid repeating the same mistakes.

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The effective risk management information makes more valuable for decision making. Therefore, Information Technology (IT) is another imperative factor for successful risk management.

Conrow E.H (2003) showed that customs had been using of information technology in risk management and technology to friendly, modern, fast and easy to use for customs staffs affecting the customs risk management. Sergey M. Avdoshin (2008) showed that customs had been using the automatic data processing via modern technology and automatically updates the information for the enterprises affecting the customs risk management. Francis, S., Paladino, B. (2008) studied that customs had been improving the information processing to ensure accuracy and security for enterprises by using modern facilities in risk management affecting the customs risk management system of the modern facilities in risk management affecting the customs risk management.

The above mentioned the information technology, the researchers have hypothesis 3:

H3: The information technology had positive relation to the customs risk management (CRM) in Dong Nai province.

### **Methods of Research**

Methods of collecting scientific information based on the study of existing documents and tapes and the logical thinking process to draw the necessary scientific conclusions.

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### Figure 1: Research processing for the customs risk management in Dong Nai province

Figure 1 showed that the data obtained from units selected with complex sample designs needs to take into account in the survey analysis: weights need to use in analyzing survey data and variances of survey estimates need to compute in a manner that reflects the complex sample design. The researchers surveyed 200 managers of enterprises in Dong Nai province. In this province, there are more than 12.000 the enterprises. First of all, the researchers surveyed 10 enterprises, managers related to customs in the province, Secondly, the researchers had surveyed 10 experts in customs field in the province. Finally, the researchers had surveyed 10 managers of customs in the province. There is total of population to be more than 100 customs leaders, 100 experts and 12.000 managers of enterprises. The purpose of the survey is to examine the content of the questions and to test the research model.

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In this paper, after preliminary investigations, formal study is done by using quantitative methods questionnaire survey of 200 managers of enterprise but 172 samples processed in Dong Nai province in Vietnam who related and answered nearly 15 questions. Model and test research hypotheses. Data collected were tested by the reliability index (excluding variables with correlation coefficients lower < 0.30 and variable coefficient Cronbach's alpha < 0.60), factor analysis explored (remove the variable low load factor < 0.50). The hypothesis was tested through multiple regression analysis with linear Enter method in this research, the Likert scales applied to this questionnaire form for inquiring the opinions as well as estimate of respondents towards their decision. To be more specific, the participants asked to rate the opinion about five dimensions and among the five scales following: (1) Strongly disagree; (2) disagree; (3) Neutral/Normal; (4) Agree and (5) Strongly agree. Finally, multiple regression analysis is also used to understand which among the independent variables are related to the dependent variable, and to explore the forms of these relationships.

 $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X 1 + \beta_2 X 2 + \beta_3 X 3$ 

Y: the customs risk management (CRM).

 $\beta_0 - \beta_3$ : Regression coefficients.

Custom procedure (X1),

Communication (X2),

Information technology (X3).



Figure 2: Research model for the customs risk management of Dong Nai province

## **Hypothesis:**

H1: Customs procedure (X1) had positive relation to the customs risk management (CRM) in Dong Nai province;

H2: Communication (X2) had positive relation to the customs risk management (CRM) in Dong Nai province and

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H3: Information technology (X3) had positive relation to the customs risk management (CRM) in Dong Nai province.

# **RESEARCH RESULTS**

# Table 1: Cronbach's Alpha testing for customs procedure (CP), communication (CO), information technology (IT)

| Code | CUSTOMS PROCEDURE (CP)   | Cronbach'<br>s Alpha |
|------|--|----------------------|
| CP1  | Dong Nai customs procedure reducing congestion cargo, passenger,<br>enterprises and strengthening the goods declared periodically                                  |                      |
| CP2  | Dong Nai customs procedure encouraging self-assessment of<br>enterprises and allowing enterprises (instead of customs) filing trade<br>and many key documents      | 0.873                |
| CP3  | Dong Nai customs procedure strengthening the news report and the declaration by electronic means and increasing the use of information systems                     | 0.875                |
| CP4  | Dong Nai customs procedure encouraging enterprises in complying customs law and complying new procedure  |                      |
| Code | COMMUNICATION (CO)   | Cronbach'<br>s Alpha |
| CO1  | Dong Nai customs had good cooperation, answering questions between enterprises and customs in other countries  |                      |
| CO2  | Dong Nai customs had good cooperation between agencies such as<br>banks, airports, airlines and customs in other provinces   | 0.879                |
| CO3  | Dong Nai customs strengthening to exchange the information between<br>the customs authorities in the provinces and in other regions                                | 0.879                |
| CO4  | Dong Nai customs joining asia seminars and conferences to exchange<br>the information between the customs authorities  |                      |
| Code | INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT)  | Cronbach'<br>s Alpha |
| IT1  | Dong Nai customs had been using of information technology in risk<br>management and technology to friendly, modern, fast and easy to use<br>for customs staffs     |                      |
| IT2  | Dong Nai customs had been using the automatic data processing via<br>modern technology and automatically updates the information for the<br>enterprises            | 0.918                |
| IT3  | Dong Nai customs had been improving the information processing to<br>ensure accuracy and security for enterprises by using modern facilities<br>in risk management |                      |
| IT4  | Dong Nai customs had been improving the manaement system of the modern facilities in risk management   | 1 (100(0))           |

(Source: The researchers' collecting data and SPSS)

Table 1 showed that three components include: The customs procedure (CP) surveyed Corrected Item-Total Correlation greater than 0.3 and Cronbach's Alpha if Item deleted greater than 0.6 and Cronbach's Alpha is very reliability. Besides, Cronbach's Alpha testing for communication (CO), information technology (IT) are high 0.6. They are very reliability.

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| Code   | CUSTOMS RISK MANAGEMENT (CRM)                                |       |
|--------|--|-------|
| CRM1   | The customs procedure (CP) factor affecting the customs risk |       |
| CRIVIT | management (CRM) in Dong Nai province                        |       |
| CRM2   | The communication (CO) factor affecting the customs risk     | 0.671 |
| CKW12  | management (CRM) in Dong Nai province                        | 0.071 |
| CRM3   | The information technology (IT) factor affecting the customs |       |
| UNNI5  | risk management (CRM) in Dong Nai province                   |       |

 Table 2: Cronbach's Alpha testing for the customs risk management (CRM)

(Source: The researchers' collecting data and SPSS)

Table 2 showed that three items in the customs risk management (CRM) surveyed Corrected Item-Total Correlation greater than 0.3 and Cronbach's Alpha if Item deleted greater than 0.6 and Cronbach's Alpha is very reliability.

# Table 3: KMO and Bartlett's Testing for various factors of the customs risk management

| KM                               | O and Bartlett's Test            |                        |  |  |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|--|--|
| Kaiser-Meyer-Olkin<br>Adequacy.  | Measure of Sampling              | .747                   |  |  |
| Bartlett's Test of<br>Sphericity | Approx. Chi-Square<br>df<br>Sig. | 1530.483<br>66<br>.000 |  |  |
| Total Variance Explained         |                                  |                        |  |  |

| Com. | Ι     | nitial Eigenv | alues      | Extrac | Rotation<br>Sums of              |            |       |  |  |
|------|-------|---------------|------------|--------|----------------------------------|------------|-------|--|--|
|      |       |               |            |        | Squared<br>Loadings <sup>a</sup> |            |       |  |  |
|      | Total | % of          | Cumulative | Total  | % of                             | Cumulative | Total |  |  |
|      |       | Variance      | %          |        | Variance                         | %          |       |  |  |
| 1    | 4.166 | 34.713        | 34.713     | 4.166  | 34.713                           | 34.713     | 3.269 |  |  |
| 2    | 3.147 | 26.221        | 60.934     | 3.147  | 26.221                           | 60.934     | 3.441 |  |  |
| 3    | 1.851 | 15.424        | 76.359     | 1.851  | 15.424                           | 76.359     | 3.318 |  |  |
| 4    | .762  | 6.348         | 82.707     |        |                                  |            |       |  |  |
| 5    | .582  | 4.850         | 87.557     |        |                                  |            |       |  |  |
| 6    | .363  | 3.028         | 90.585     |        |                                  |            |       |  |  |
| 7    | .336  | 2.804         | 93.389     |        |                                  |            |       |  |  |
| 8    | .248  | 2.066         | 95.455     |        |                                  |            |       |  |  |
| 9    | .186  | 1.549         | 97.004     |        |                                  |            |       |  |  |
| 10   | .149  | 1.245         | 98.248     |        |                                  |            |       |  |  |
| 11   | .106  | .882          | 99.130     |        |                                  |            |       |  |  |
| 12   | .104  | .870          | 100.000    |        |                                  |            |       |  |  |

(Source: The researchers' collecting data and SPSS)

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Table 3 showed that the results showed that KMO coefficient had:  $0.5 \le \text{KMO} \le 1$  (KMO: Kaiser-Meyer-Olkin). KMO is an index used to examine the appropriateness of factor analysis. KMO value significantly larger factor analysis is appropriate. KMO coefficient is 0.747 and the level of significance (Sig) is 0.000. Exploratory Factor Analysis (EFA) is consistent with survey data of 200 the managers of enterprises but 172 managers processed by SPSS 20.0.

Table 4: Structure Matrix testing for various factors of the customs risk management

| Code | Component |      |      |  |  |  |
|------|-----------|------|------|--|--|--|
|      | 1         | 2    | 3    |  |  |  |
| CP3  | .939      |      |      |  |  |  |
| CP4  | .904      |      |      |  |  |  |
| CP2  | .894      |      |      |  |  |  |
| CP1  | .841      |      |      |  |  |  |
| CO1  |           | .920 |      |  |  |  |
| CO3  |           | .875 |      |  |  |  |
| CO2  |           | .839 |      |  |  |  |
| CO4  |           | .778 |      |  |  |  |
| IT3  |           |      | .928 |  |  |  |
| IT4  |           |      | .874 |  |  |  |
| IT2  |           |      | .869 |  |  |  |
| IT1  |           |      | .692 |  |  |  |

(Source: The researchers' collecting data and SPSS)

Table 4 showed that there are three factors affecting the customs risk management (CRM). Table 4 showed that there are three factors: Custom procedure (X1), Communication (X2) and Information technology (X3).

| Table 5: KMO and Bartle  | tt's Testing for the cus | stoms risk management (CRM) |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
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| KM                               | O and Bartlett's Test    |             |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| Kaiser-Meyer-Olkin Adequacy.     | Measure of Sampling      | .647        |
| Bartlett's Test of<br>Sphericity | Approx. Chi-Square<br>df | 79.206      |
|                                  | Sig.<br>Total Variance   | .000        |
|                                  | Total Variance           | e Explained |

| -       |       |                 |         |                                     |          |            |  |  |  |  |
|---------|-------|-----------------|---------|-------------------------------------|----------|------------|--|--|--|--|
| Compone | n     | Initial Eigenva | lues    | Extraction Sums of Squared Loadings |          |            |  |  |  |  |
| t       | Total | Total % of      |         | Total                               | % of     | Cumulative |  |  |  |  |
|         |       | Variance        | %       |                                     | Variance | %          |  |  |  |  |
| 1       | 1.815 | 60.512          | 60.512  | 1.815                               | 60.512   | 60.512     |  |  |  |  |
| 2       | .669  | 22.314          | 82.826  |                                     |          |            |  |  |  |  |
| 3       | .515  | 17.174          | 100.000 |                                     |          |            |  |  |  |  |

(Source: The researchers' collecting data and SPSS)

Table 5 showed that KMO of the customs risk management (CRM) is 0.647 (KMO: Kaiser-Meyer-Olkin). KMO is an index used to examine the appropriateness of factor analysis. KMO value significantly larger factor analysis is appropriate. KMO coefficient of the customs risk management (CRM) is 0.647 and the level of significance (Sig) is 0.000.

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|       | Coefficients <sup>a</sup> |                   |               |                                  |        |      |                   |       |  |  |
|-------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------|----------------------------------|--------|------|-------------------|-------|--|--|
| Model |                           | Unstand<br>Coeffi |               | Standardize<br>d<br>Coefficients | t      | Sig. | Colline<br>Statis | -     |  |  |
|       |                           | В                 | Std.<br>Error | Beta                             |        |      | To.               | VIF   |  |  |
|       | Con.                      | 1.819             | .159          |                                  | 11.417 | .000 |                   |       |  |  |
| 1     | X1                        | .249              | .036          | .420                             | 6.849  | .000 | .992              | 1.008 |  |  |
| 1     | X2                        | .115              | .030          | .257                             | 3.874  | .000 | .847              | 1.180 |  |  |
|       | X3                        | .151              | .031          | .319                             | 4.818  | .000 | .849              | 1.178 |  |  |

a. Dependent Variable: Y

(Source: The researchers' collecting data and SPSS)

Table 6 showed the Sig. column is smaller significance level 0.05 and statistically significant data to explain the variation of the customs risk management (CRM). Besides, the regression coefficient is positive. This means that the impact of the independent variables in the same direction with the customs risk management (CRM).



Normal P-P Plot of Regression Standardized Residual Dependent Variable: REGR factor score 1 for analysis 2



**Figure 3: Testing Normal Residual** 

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Figure 3 showed that there is testing normal residual. This is the hypothesis about the importance of checking the residual plots when performing linear regression analysis. The result showed that the residuals are normally distributed.

### CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

### Conclusions

Risk management is now considered an effective tool for modern customs management, enabling customs to allocate resources appropriately while still ensuring customs management and no operational difficulties. This improves the compliance of enterprises in import-export activities. In terms of automatic clearance, risk management is an important basis to ensure that the customs inspection and supervision is carried out efficiently and in accordance with international customs practice. The study results showed that the objective of this study is to find out three factors affecting the customs risk management (CRM) in Dong Nai province. Data surveyed 200 managers of enterprises related to Dong Nai customs. The surveying time is from 9/2017 to 3/2018. Data processed by SPSS 20.0 and method used by the multiple linear regression analysis. There are three key factors that affecting the customs risk management (CRM) in Dong Nai province with level significance 5 percent.

### Recommendations

Dong Nai customs should need to improve the system of procedures, regulations and guidelines on risk management; organize organizational units and units of risk management at all levels in the direction of arranging full-time and qualified staffs in charge of risk management to ensure full implementation of risk management tasks in the feces. Besides, Dong Nai customs should need to implement full tasks and effective risk management in the areas of customs operations in accordance with the Customs Law, focusing on completing the process of application of risk management in the selection of import container screening before carrying out customs procedures at seaport border gates and international airports. Dong Nai customs should need to perfect the system of flow control in the implementation of customs procedures; Dong Nai customs should need to develop and implement risk management in the post-clearance inspection option based on this research, Moreover, Dong Nai customs should need to establish a mechanism for connecting risk management information between customs clearance and post-customs clearance. In addition, Dong Nai customs should need to improve the quality of management and assessing the compliance of enterprises, on the basis of concentrating on completing the collection and management of enterprise profile information; organizing the management, monitoring and updating activities of enterprises; establishing mechanisms to support enterprises in compliance with laws, thereby raising awareness and compliance capacity of enterprises. Dong Nai customs should need to strengthen the conditions to support the determination of the focus, improve the quality of the flow of inspection; integration, processing of preflight data with data streams and customs inspections in customs procedures to minimize inspection in customs clearance. Finally, Dong Nai customs should need to thereby improve detection capacity, violation of customs inspection; develop and implement mechanisms to ensure the quality and effectiveness of direct examination of records.

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