

Enhancement of Reporting Scheme of Advance Information on Air Cargo

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Background and summary of the enhancement of advance information on air cargo

Background

After the 9/11 terrorist attack in the U.S. in 2001, the Customs administrations whole over the world have enhanced counter terrorism measures. Terrorism situation has been becoming more severe these days as shown the occurrences of terrorism in France and Bangladesh in 2016, etc.

Furthermore, the Rugby World Cup is scheduled in Japan during the year 2019 and the Tokyo Olympic and Paralympic Games are to be held in 2020. Hence, the government of Japan as a whole has been making every effort to tackle terrorism and Japan Customs also needs to strengthen its measures against terrorism.

Increasing the effectiveness and the efficiency in Customs control, the advance information is essential for risk analysis on air cargo.



Summary

The articles of Customs Laws and regulations were revised to enhance advance information on air cargo.

Increase of data elements

- Name and address of consignor and those of consignee are to be added to Master Air Waybill (MAWB) information to be filed
- House Air Waybill (HAWB) information is to be the subject of filing

Filing via NACCS becomes mandatory

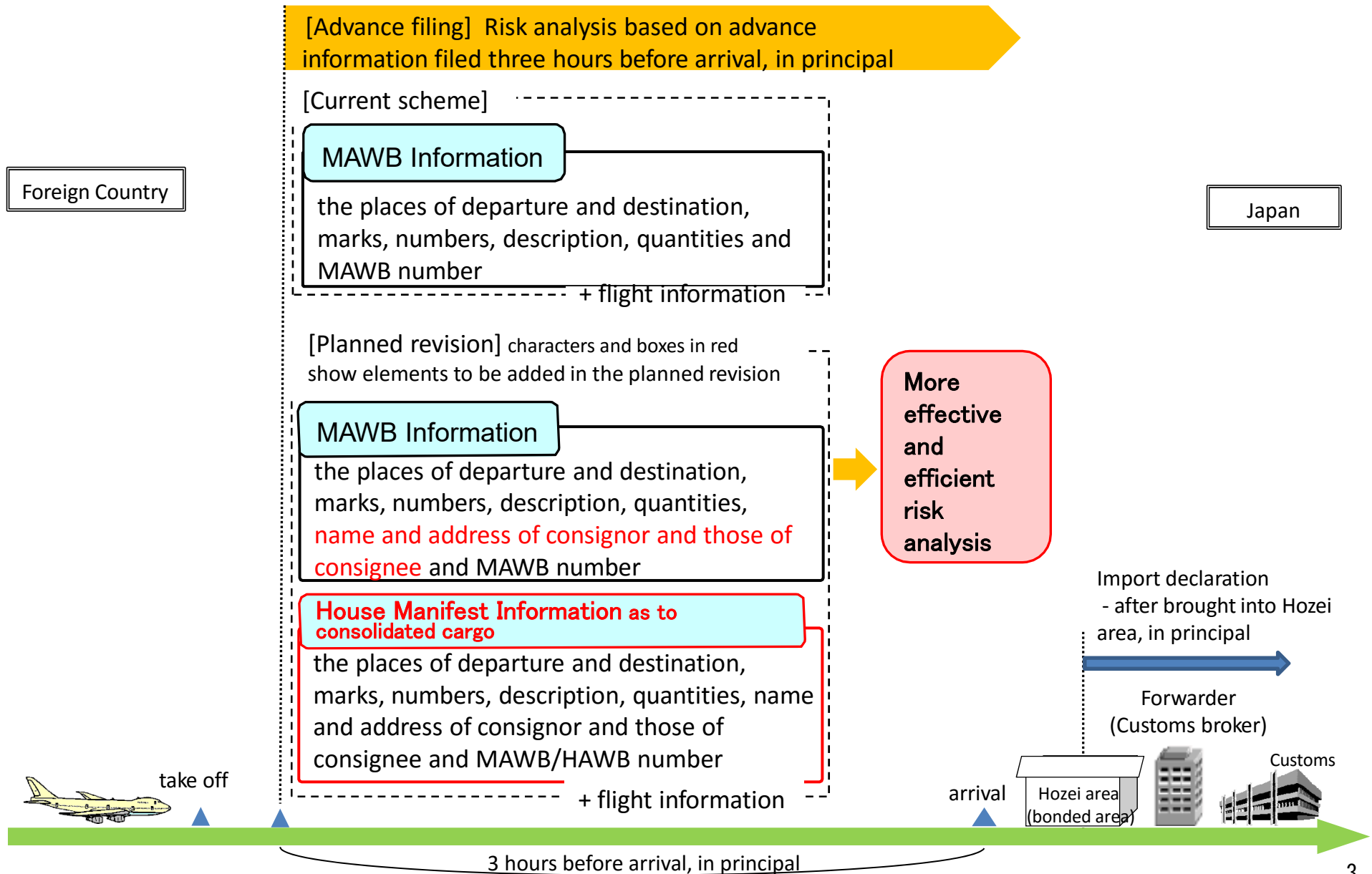
- Filing advance information on air cargo is to be mandatory in principal
- More effective and efficient risk analysis

To be implemented in FY 2018 (by March 30, 2019)

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Segment	Scheme	Reporter	Items	Current scheme	Revised (New) Scheme
Inbound	Obligation of reporting	Captain	Object	Foreign trade aircraft	—
			Timing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 hours before arrival at airport • 1 hour before arrival at airport (In case that flight time is not less than 3 hours and less than 5 hours) • At the time of arrival at airport (In case that flight time is less than 3 hours) 	—
			Method	Paper or NACCS	NACCS, in principal (Enforcement Date: in FY 2018 (by March 30, 2019))
			Contents	[MAWB information] Places of departure and destination, marks, numbers, description, quantities and MAWB number	[Addition to MAWB information to be filed] Name and address of consignor and those of consignee are to be added to MAWB information (Enforcement Date: in FY 2018 (by March 30, 2019)) [New] HAWB information is to be the subject of filing: places of departure and destination, marks, numbers, description, quantities, name and address of consignor and those of consignee and MAWB/HAWB number (Enforcement Date: in FY 2018 (by March 30, 2019))
Outbound	Reporting if required by Customs	Captain	Object	Foreign trade aircraft	—
			Contents	[MAWB information] Places of departure and destination, marks, numbers, description, quantities and MAWB number	—
			Method	Paper	—

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Method of filing, enforcement date, etc.

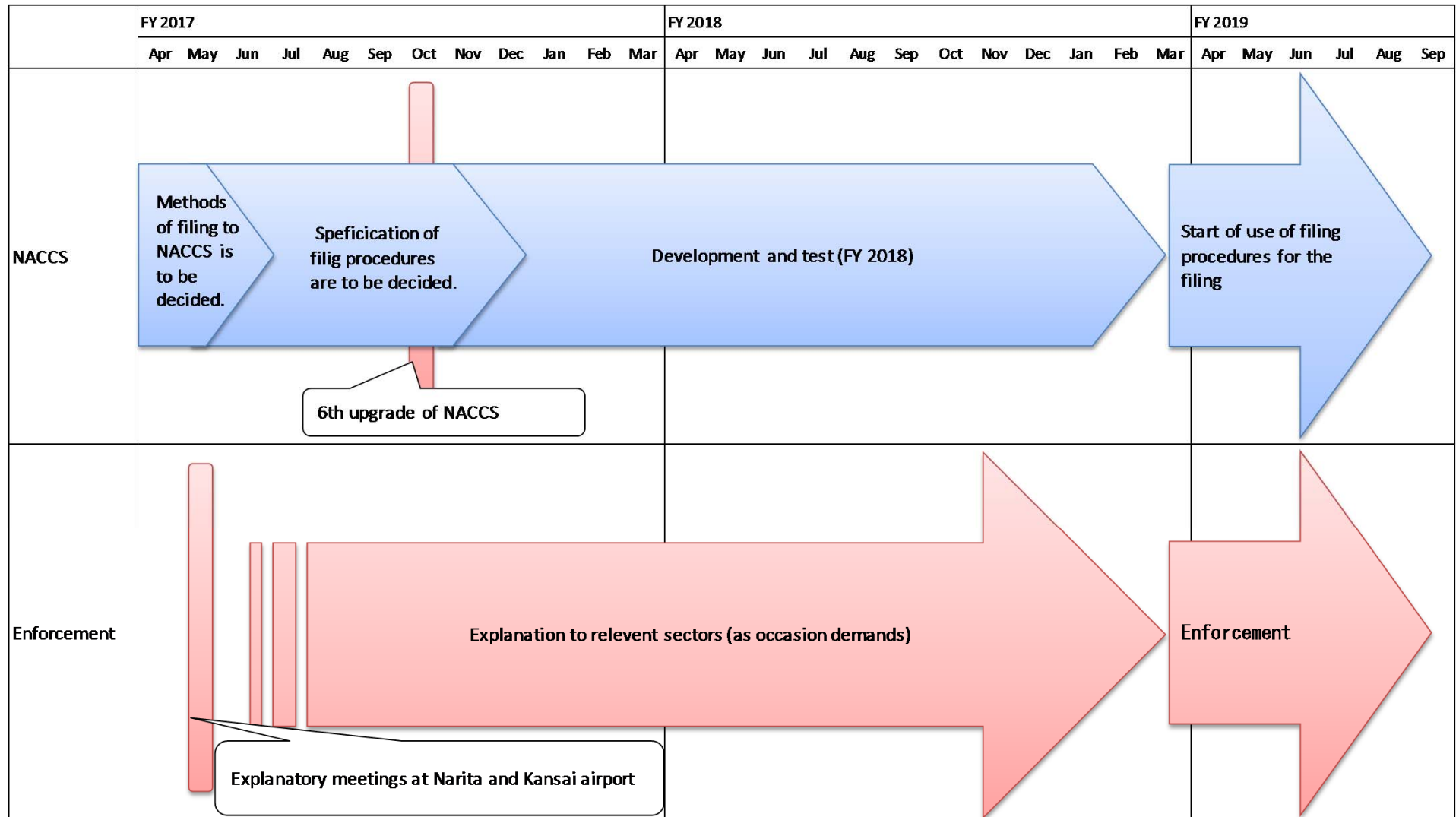
Method of filing

Filing by NACCS is mandatory except a failure of electronic communication line, etc. As for the concrete methods of filing, the specifications of filling procedures by NACCS have been deliberated.

Enforcement date, etc.

The enhancement of advance information on air cargo is to be enforced in FY 2018. Exact date is going to be decided taking into consideration the progresses of preparation of IT systems both Customs and the private sector and so on. Other points such as concrete procedures are going to be posted on Japan Customs website.

Schedule



NB. Exact enforcement in FY 2018 has not been decided yet.