



Agreement/authorisation to act as direct representative

Dotted lines indicate that further details must be provided.

The Undersigned,
The Principal / the party directly represented

Company Name :
Address :
Postal Code, Place :
Country :
Chamber of Commerce Registration no.*: VAT-Id no*:
Passport no.*:

The Freight Forwarding Company / Direct Representative

Company Name : Forwarding company
Address :
Postal Code, Place :
Country:

**where applicable*

The parties declare to have agreed as follows:

The Principal authorises and places orders with the Freight Forwarding Company, in conformity with Article 5, par. 2, first dash of the Community Customs Code (Regulation no. 2913/92/EEC), against the agreed remuneration, to make the declarations prescribed in the customs legislation -and where possible in other legislation- 'in the name and for the account of' the Principal. This authorisation and the order apply to the shipment of goods presented by/on behalf of the Principal, for which the Principal has provided the Freight Forwarding Company with the records/information. This authorisation and the order comprise all acts and communications up to and including the completion of the verification of the declaration and those in connection with the issue of the communication of the amount of the customs debt.

Furthermore, the Principal authorises and commissions the Freight Forwarding Company to:

- submit requests for repayment/remission as well as to submit written objections relating to data incorrectly stated in the declaration compared to the information supplied when the order was placed;
- to proceed, at the request of the Principal, to submit request for repayment/remission as well as to submit written objections, because incorrect information was supplied when the order was placed;
- to submit written objections in relation to corrections up to the completion of the verification of the declaration.

Separate, case-by-case agreements are required for making/submitting other requestst, written objections and lodging appeals.

In connection with the authorisation, the Principal is obliged to hand over to the Freight Forwarding Company proof of the existence of the company, its current place of business and names of the person(s) authorised to lawfully represent the company, such as a recent excerpt of the company's entry into the Trade Register of the Chamber of Commerce or a statement by the company to serve as evidence of the authority of the person issuing the authorisation. If the Principal is a private individual, that person must hand over a copy of his passport/identity card.

Initials Principal	_____
Initials Direct Representative	_____

Article 1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 1.1 Unless otherwise agreed, the relation between the parties is governed by the **Dutch Forwarding Conditions**¹, with the inclusion of the Arbitration Clause. The most recent version of the Dutch Forwarding Conditions at the moment at which the acts/activities are performed, is applicable.
- 1.2 The following annexes form part of this agreement:
- annex a) The Dutch Forwarding Conditions.
 - annex b) The 'information and documents required' checklist.
- 1.3 Unless otherwise agreed, the Direct Representative shall, if this serves the interests of the Principal, on the basis of the information known to the Direct Representative, be present at the taking of samples and the examination of the goods.²
- 1.4 The Direct Representative is entitled to refuse to perform acts and activities ensuing from this agreement/authorisation, providing he/it communicates this as soon as possible.

Article 2. OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTIES

- 2.1 The Principal is obliged to provide the Direct Representative with all required records, information and data necessary for the execution of this agreement (also for each individual shipment/transaction), which may be required on the basis of the applicable rules and regulations and the present agreement.
- 2.2 In order to submit a correct customs declaration the Direct Representative must require from the Principal the required records, information and data, the relevance of which must be reasonably known to him/it.
- 2.3 The Direct Representative will make such declarations on the basis of the above data.

Article 3. PROVISION OF SECURITY / PAYMENT OF DUTIES AND TAXES

- 3.1.1 Unless otherwise agreed, use will be made of the facilities of the Direct Representative in order to provide security and ensure payment of duties, other charges and taxes to the Customs Authorities.
- 3.1.2 Unless otherwise agreed, refund of duties, other charges and taxes by the Customs Authorities will come directly for account of the Direct Representative.

Article 4. OBLIGATION TO KEEP RECORDS

- 4.1 On the basis of the license to submit an electronic declaration to the Customs Authorities issued to him/it, the Direct Representative is obliged to keep records and keep the (original) documents and records pertaining to each declaration. The Principal is obliged to keep a copy of the documents and records provided by him/it for the same period of time.³
- 4.2 Subject to Article 4.1, the Principal is under a statutory obligation to keep all data relating to the declaration, the records and other data in connection with the transaction on file insofar as these pertain to the declaration.³

Article 5. DURATION AND TERMINATION/REVOCAION OF THE AGREEMENT/AUTHORISATION

- 5.1 This agreement/authorisation is entered into/applies for an indeterminate period of time, effective as of date of signature. The agreement/authorisation may be cancelled/revoked in due observance of a term of 3 months.
- 5.2 Cancellation/revocation is to be effected by registered letter.
- 5.3 The provisions under this agreement/authorisation continue to apply also after cancellation/revocation, where relevant in connection with fulfilment of obligations imposed in the name of government.

¹ The Dutch Forwarding Conditions, deposited by FENEX at the Registry of the District Courts of Amsterdam, Arnhem, Breda and Rotterdam, may also be consulted at www.fenex.nl under 'downloads'.

² It is advisable that the parties examine whether entering into further agreements is desirable in connection with the nature of the products, and so on.

³ To be kept for a period of 7 years from the date at which customs control was completed.

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Initials Direct Representative	_____



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5.4 The Direct Representative is entitled to keep the present authorisation also after revocation for the purposes of possible controls in the name of the government.

Article 6. THIRD PARTIES

6.1 The Freight Forwarding Company is entitled to have this agreement/authorisation performed by the following third party:

Company Name : Gerlach & Co B.V. Internationale Expediteurs

Address : Van Heemskerckweg 6

Postal Code, Place :5928 LL Venlo

Country The Netherlands

6.2 The third party referred to above may invoke the Dutch Forwarding Conditions (with the inclusion of the Arbitration Clause).

6.3 The required records, information, and data, with the inclusion of this authorisation, must be made available to the third party referred to above.

This agreement has been drawn up in two languages, the Dutch and the English language In case of different interpretations, the Dutch version shall prevail.

The Principal, lawfully represented by:

Full Name :

Position :

Date and Place :

Signature (and Company Stamp) :

Freight Forwarding Company, represented by:

Full Name :

Position :

Date and Place :

Signature (and Company Stamp) :

Initials Principal	_____
Initials Direct Representative	_____