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Enhancing Border Agency cooperation

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Why does Cooperation matter to LLDCs?



- ❖ Multiple borders Crossing
- ❖ Dependency on transit countries
- ❖ Complexity of transit Procedure
- ❖ Capacity constraints



VPOA on promoting cooperation



❖ Priority 1: Transit Policy Issues

Actions:

- ❖ Border and customs controls coordination
- ❖ National multi-stakeholder mechanisms

❖ Priority 3b: Trade Facilitation

Actions:

- ❖ establish one-stop border posts to allow for the joint processing of legal and regulatory requirements,
- ❖ to enhance collaboration and cooperation among various customs and border-crossing agencies across borders

❖ Priority 4: Regional integration and cooperation



Relevant TFA provisions

1. Each Member shall ensure that its authorities and agencies responsible for border controls and procedures dealing with the importation, exportation, and transit of goods cooperate with one another and coordinate their activities in order to facilitate trade.

2. Each Member shall, to the extent possible and practicable, cooperate on mutually agreed terms with other Members with whom it shares a common border with a view to coordinating procedures at border crossings to facilitate cross-border trade. Such cooperation and coordination may include:
 - (a) alignment of working days and hours;
 - (b) alignment of procedures and formalities;
 - (c) development and sharing of common facilities;
 - (d) joint controls;
 - (e) establishment of one stop border post control.

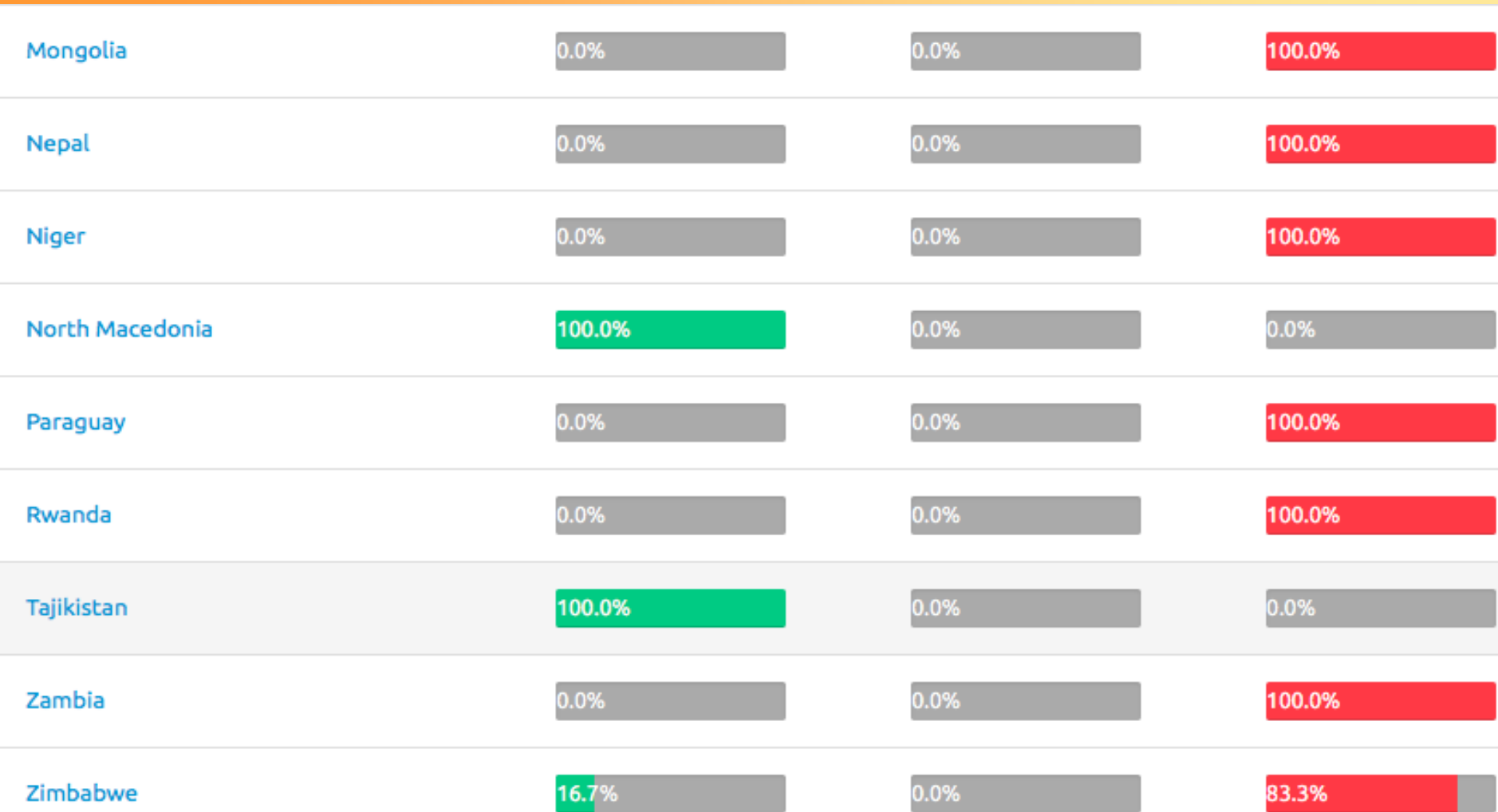


Implementation status

Member	Notified A	Notified B	Notified C
Afghanistan	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Armenia	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Bolivia, Plurinational State of	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Botswana	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%
Central African Republic	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Chad	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Eswatini, Kingdom of	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Kazakhstan	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Kyrgyz Republic	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Lao People's Democratic Republic	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Lesotho	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Malawi	0.0%	16.7%	83.3%
Mali	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Moldova, Republic of	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%



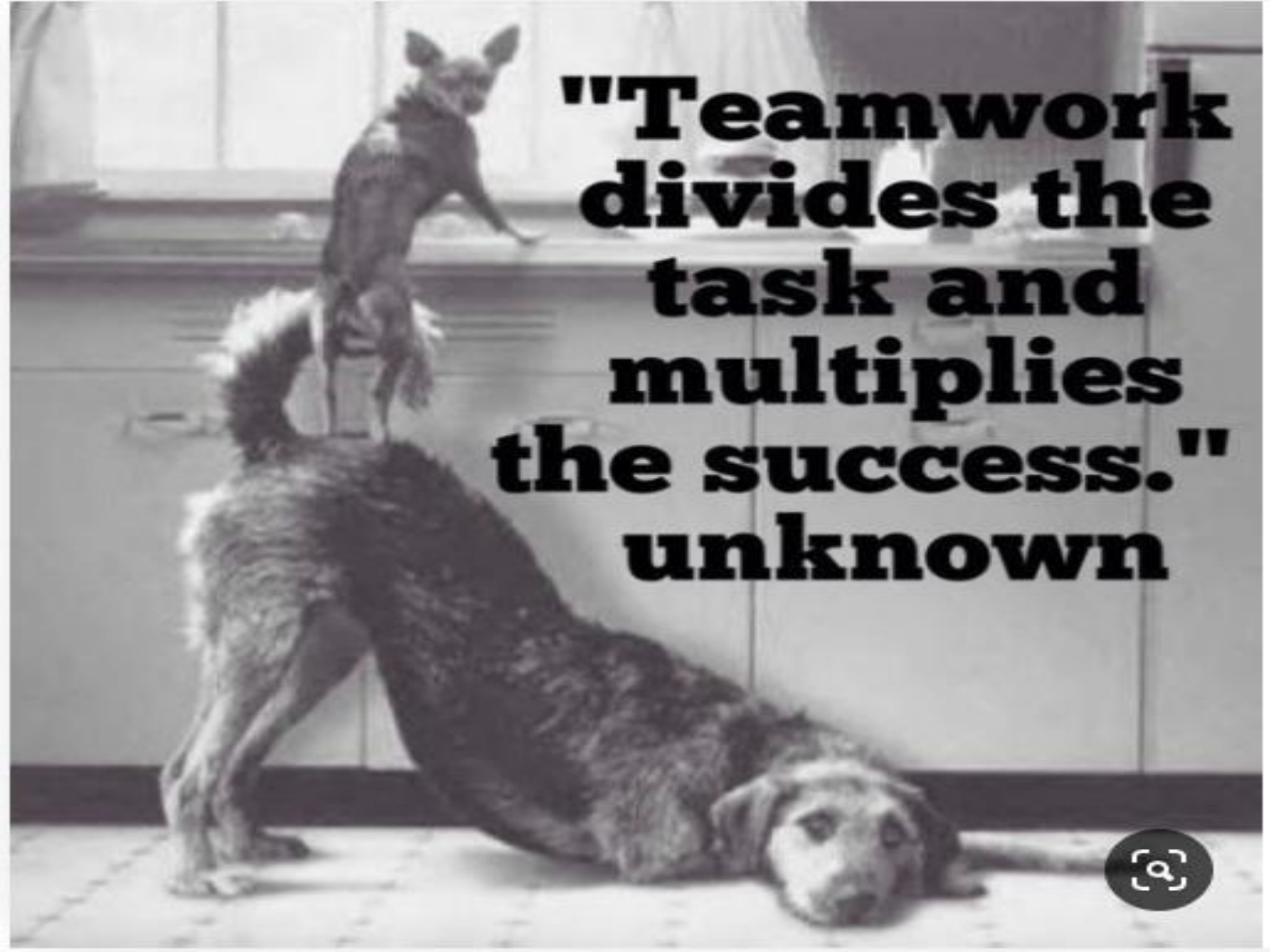
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Recommendations

- There is need for enhanced support to both LLDCs and transit – Technical assistance including experience sharing.
- Political will is fundamental, both at national level and between neighboring LLDC and transit countries.
- Regional integration can be leveraged to enhance cooperation. standardisation of processes and procedures across the region
- LLDCs and transit countries should priorities the implementation of Article 8 as implementation of some articles depend on good cooperation both at national and with neighbors.
- Use of international standards - e.g. WCO Coordinated Border Management.





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