Partnership: An Investigator’s Perspective

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Definition

• Partners aim to achieve something they cannot do alone, by pooling skills and other resources.
• To do this, they need a shared vision of their goals.
• They need a way of working together that realises this ambition.
• This may involve a long-term formal structure or a shorter-term agreement.

Oxford Dictionary:
• Cooperation, collaboration, coalition, relationship
Day-to-Day Partnerships

• Cooperation with the Public Prosecutor
  – Hierarchical

• Partnership with enforcement agencies
  – “Closed” community

• Partnership with the public
  – “One-way” relationship
STC Community

- Policy
- Licensing authorities
- Industry
- Enforcement
- Investigation and prosecution
Dutch Carré Meeting

Policy

Ministry of Economic Affairs, Agriculture and Innovation

Licensing

Customs CDIU (License authority)

Enforcement

Customs Team POSS

Customs

FIOD (Investigation)

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Intelligence AIVD/MIVD

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Public Prosecutor’s Office

Carré Meeting
Investigator as STC Partner

- Criminal investigation as a product
- Deterrence and sometimes prevention
- Advisory role:
  - Gaps in legislation
  - Modus operandi
  - Trends
A.Q. Khan Partnership

- A goal
- Long-associated friendships
- International cooperation
- Small community
- Good relationship with authorities
- Unlimited access to (government) funds
STC Community

- Stop proliferation
- Know each other based on trust
- Strategic Trade Control = international
- Institutional memory
- Keep managers informed
- Resources are more than money
Investigator’s Perspective

STC Partners who:

• Provide good tools (STC legislation)
• Understand our possibilities and restrictions
• Can/will help with investigations
  – Information
  – Witness statements
  – Clarify (inter)national policy and aspects
Conclusion

Investigators:

• Work together with the Public Prosecutor who is responsible
• Work mostly reactively and repressively
• Cannot solve every problem
• Can have an advisory role