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Meeting ESIA-DG TRADE on India's Chip Import Monitoring System

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Chip Import Monitoring System

- ❑ India's new *Chip Import Monitoring System* (CHIMS), a compulsory import registration for a range of Integrated Circuits (IC) entered into effect on Oct 1st 2021 (Originally foreseen Aug 1st, then postponed).
- ❑ The relevant notification issued by the Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) states that under CHIMS importers to submit information in an online system for inbound shipments of specified products and obtain an automatic registration number by paying a fee.
- ❑ Importers of chips are required to register imports online by submitting info going beyond logistical info on shipping papers for inbound shipments, e.g. a.o: purpose of import, Ports of export/import, IC type, IC Nr, Technical Details incl. Data-Sheets etc.
- ❑ The stated objective of CHIMS is to enable the Gov to maintain accurate, comprehensive & updated databases.
- ❑ ESIA is concerned as
 - ❑ CHIMS creates additional administrative burdens, can be considered as a non-tariff barrier.
 - ❑ Unknown whether the confidentiality of submitted information (e.g. "technical details") will be guaranteed