

THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA



For Competitive, Efficient, Quality and Safe Transport Services

Surface and Marine Transport Regulatory Authority
Mamlaka ya Udhhibiti Usafiri wa Nchi Kavu na Majini

Our Ref: AC.79/237/01

Date: 10th October, 2016

Chairman,
Tanzania Shipping Agents Association (TASAA),
P.O Box 63217,
DAR ES SALAAM

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CIDAT,
DAR ES SALAAM

RE: TRANSFER OF CARGO FROM THE PORT TO DRY PORTS

Refer to the meeting held with you on 10th October, 2016 at SUMATRA Head Office regarding your complaint against TPA with respect to stoppage of transferring cargo to dry ports beginning 7th October, 2016 in the course of implementing the SUMATRA (Dry Port) Regulations, 2016.

During the meeting you challenged the said stoppage which you argued had resulted into delays to clear and deliver cargo to consignees particularly where part cargo under a Bill of Landing is transferred to a dry port while another part is pending in the main terminal.

SUMATRA discussed the matter with TPA on the complaints on 10th October, 2016 and noted the followings from TPA:

1. TPA informed that it was ready to transfer in full landed consignments which have secured TRA's transfer approval and the approval is partly executed so as to enable consignees to take delivery of their cargo from places approved by TRA;
2. Shipping agents should stop lodgement of manifests for cargo delivery at dry ports with immediate effect in order to comply with Regulation 8 of the SUMATRA (Dry Port) Regulations, 2016. Where the lodgement of manifest has already been done for delivery at dry ports but cargo is not landed yet, the shipping agents should reverse the lodgements;

3. Consignments which have been authentically nominated by shippers for delivery at dry ports in accordance with Regulation 8 of the SUMATRA (Dry Port) Regulations, 2016 should be transferred to delivery places as approved by TRA;
4. TPA and TICTS should prepare "Standard Operating Procedures" (SOP) for port extension mode of cargo transfer in order that the provisions of Regulation 8 of the SUMATRA (Dry Port) Regulations, 2016 may be effected in full;
5. TPA and TICTS should sign MOUs with individual dry ports for the port extension mode of transfers.

In view of the above, you are requested to cooperate with TPA, TICTS and other authorities in order to satisfy requirements of the said Regulations.

Yours,

Surface and Marine Transport Regulatory Authority.



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TPA,
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TICTS Ltd,
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