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PUBLIC NOTICE

**SHIPPING DATA COLLECTION AND MANAGEMENT IN
GHANA THROUGH SMART PORT AND ELECTRONIC CARGO
TRACKING NOTE FOR TRADE FACILITATION**

Under the Authority of the Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning (MOFEP) and The Ministry of Trade and Industry, all relevant stakeholders, including shippers, importers, exporters, shipping agents, custom agents, forwarders, using Ghana Ports, are hereby notified that, Inter Ocean Maritime & Logistics Institute LTD (IOMLI) with technical partner, Antaser Afrique BVBA (Antaser Afrique) have been engaged to roll out an Enhanced Shipping Data Collection and Management program through Smart Port Note and Electronic Cargo Tracking Note System for trade facilitation.

From **1st December 2024**, all shipments to Ghana, including transit cargoes, are mandatorily required to have the Electronic Cargo Tracking Number (ECTN/SPN) from the ports of loading for purposes of trade facilitation and clearance at entry to Ghana. Any cargo without a valid SPN or ECTN will attract fines.

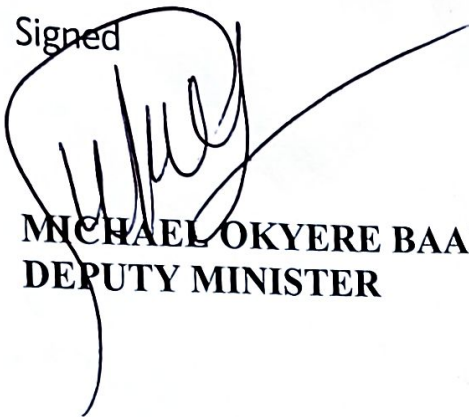
Please take note of the following:

For all shipments to Ghana (transit cargoes included), shippers or forwarders are obliged to issue an ECTN/SPN in the ports of loading for cargoes entering Ghana and submit to Antaser Afrique BVBA for validation.

1. Each Bill of Lading must be covered by one ECTN/SPN.
2. The ECTN/SPN must be issued and validated at the port of loading and is mandatory for import clearance to Ghana.
3. Any cargo without a valid ECTN/SPN will not be cleared through the local Customs until clearance of fines and presentation of a valid ECTN/SPN is done.
4. Shipping lines must insert the unique ECTN/SPN number in the Bill of Lading and Cargo Manifest.
5. Cargo without an ECTN/SPN will not be loaded on the vessel; failure to do so will attract penalty/fines against the shipping line.
6. This measure comes into effect from **1st December ,2024**.

7. All shippers and forwarders are expected to register at the Antaser Afrique website: www.antaserafrique.com or contact ctnantaserafrique@antaserafrique.com CC: data@iomli.com

Signed



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