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**Nirint Shipping implementation of a surcharge “Container Custom Survey”**

Dear Customer,

In 2018 Nirint Shipping faced operational - thus financial - problems with smuggling of narcotics in our containers shipped empty from Curacao and Aruba to Rotterdam.

We have encountered problems due to the fact that narcotics were put into – empty - containers and the smugglers tried to retain the drugs before the containers were used again for export cargoes.

The impact on the operations at the terminal was that the discharging went slower, increasing administration charges and the Dutch customs instructed Nirint Shipping to send also empty containers to the scan for a survey.

The expenses to bring empty containers to the scan were not compensated by import cargoes and all expenses were absorbed by Nirint Shipping.

To recover these expenses we hereby announce the introduction of a surcharge “Container Customs Survey “ of USD 50,00 per FULL container which is exported from Europe to ABC Islands.

These expenses we will charge like the THC in POD, so when THC POD is prepaid the USD 50 is prepaid as well and when THC POD is collect the USD 50 is payable collect.

By doing so we charge each customer equally and we hope that the NL customs will reduce their number of scan surveys in the near future so that we can reduce the amount of this surcharge or cancel this surcharge !

We apologize for any inconvenience and request for your understanding, Nirint Shipping has no influence at NL customs decisions and we have no control over our containers until the day that they are loaded back on board of our vessel at ABC Islands for positioning to Europe.

We will keep you posted, when you have a question do not hesitate to contact us or your local contact person.

Yours sincerely,

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