

## Strikes in US, Asian and European ports threaten shippers



The latest strikes in ports of Asia, Europe and the US represent a threat to shippers, precisely in the high season. Specifically, problems were recorded in Germany, South Korea and the west coast of North America.

The first week of June, there was a brief warning strike in the port of Hamburg, the first in the main port of Germany in more than three decades, which was seconded in Bremerhaven, Wilhelmshaven and Emden, in full negotiations on the wages in the stevedoring sector. All this occurs, moreover, at a time of great port congestion.

As for the Asia, the eight-day strike of the South Korean carriers has come to an end after a meeting with the Ministry of Transport in which a agreement in principle, which puts an end to a strike that has generated losses of hundreds of millions of dollars.

It should be noted that the strike movement had as its objective prevent raw materials from reaching semiconductor and petrochemical plants, while pointing to the container movements with many roads blocked.

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