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**Attention: The Chief Executive Officer  
The Director/Manager – Exports & Imports**

Dear All,

Director General of Merchant Shipping (DGMS) reiterate that the below email is strictly in force and therefore repeatedly requests that all Shipping Lines, Shipping Agents, NVOCC Operators, Freight Forwarders, Consolidators should grant demurrage waiver for import containers during the curfew period.

Any issues, please refer to DGMS with proof.

Mr. A W Senevirathne, Merchant Shipping Division, Ministry of Ports & Highways, 1st Floor, Bristol Building, 43-89, York Street, Colombo, 01: Email: [dmsmos@slmet.lk](mailto:dmsmos@slmet.lk) : Tel: +94 (11) 2441429 / 2435127

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**Subject:** Request for waving demurrage

Dear Sir,

Hon. Johnston Fernando, Minister of Ports and Shipping has Directed me to request all Shipping Lines, Shipping Agents NVOCC Operators to grant demurrage waiver of import containers up to 9th April for cargo discharged in the Port of Colombo Port during the curfew period. We believe that granting this demurrage waiver will assist the importers to clear their cargo without further delay.

Your cooperation in this regard is greatly appreciated.

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