

Clearing & Forwarding Unit
Dar Es Salaam.

Ref: INT. 004/88

Cde. Kaya Vanda
Regional Treasurer
MAZIMBU.

10 May 1988.

Dear Cde. Kaya,

Re: 2 X 20' Containers.E.T.A. 21/7/86.
STORAGE CHARGES.

We received a consignment of used clothes and shoes from Ystads Fredsgrupp of Sweden in two Containers per Master Vessel "Victoria Bay" of 21 July 1986 with B/L No. PPMDS 01.

The documents for the clearance of the consignment was processed, but due to some technical fault on our part, we were not able to take delivery of the two containers. As a result, the containers are still lying in storage at the Port. The storage rate is 340/- per 20' container per day, with effect from the last day of discharge of the vessel. Roughly, this means that we have to pay about 384 880/- for both containers, up to 31 May 1988.

Taking into consideration the large amount of money involved, we would like to draw your attention to the following:

- the goods may be unfit for use after spending more than 17 months in storage at the Port; some, maybe all of them could be unfit for use; we have no documents that guarantee that the items were fumigated or indicating their maximum period of storage capability. If the goods are paid for in this condition, it would mean that the money paid for storage does not even equal the value of the goods themselves; (unfortunately we are not able to open the containers before we have paid the storage charges).
- the goods may still be in good order and fit for use; this has to be taken into consideration when deciding whether to allow the Port Authorities to auction the goods or not.
- we would also like to draw your attention once more to the large amount of outstanding consignments which are at present lying in the Port, waiting to be cleared. If removing these

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two containers is to be a risk, maybe the money could rather be spent on clearing some of these consignments, whose value we are sure of. This would mean giving the go-ahead for the Port Authorities to auction the cargo and face whatever penalty there is for failing to clear cargo from the Port; if there are any penalties.

We hope to hear from you, in writing, as soon as possible, bearing in mind that every day that passes means an increase in storage charges.

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Sipho Ngcobo

(for Clearing & Forwarding Unit).