The D.R Congo

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- Cargo flights are authorized.
- UNHAS flights are maintained.
- The authorities have suspended incoming and outgoing international flights from 21 March. Private flights are decided on a case-by-case basis by the Civil Aviation Authorities.
- The operations of the port of Maradi are maintained.
- There is no impact on import/export operations.
- Burundi: All borders are now open for the transport of goods.
- Rwanda: Border restrictions in Rwanda allow only commercial / humanitarian cargo and crew is limited on board the vehicle.
- South Sudan: Closure of all borders with exemption granted for cargo and fuel tanks. Zambia: Kasumbalesa border is open for cargo movement.

More information in the attached bulletin on CIQPs

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Measures adopted in respect of the COVID-19 pandemic

1. Measures to facilitate the cross-border movement of relief consignments and essential supplies

1.2. Limitation of Customs controls to what is strictly necessary.
1.3. Authorization to make incomplete and provisional declarations.
1.4. Exemption from duties and taxes on pharmaceutical supplies and equipment and essential supplies, in accordance with government instructions.

2. Measures to support the economy and ensure supply chain continuity

Remarks from the International Road Transport Union
Forthcoming
2.1. Access to goods removal credit.
2.2. Adoption of measures allowing payment by instalments of Customs duties and taxes and of penalties.
2.3. Suspension of checks at outposts.
2.4. Action to facilitate compliance with the formalities for Customs clearance of goods.
2.5. Measures adopted in accordance with government guidelines, in particular as regards exemption from duties and taxes on pharmaceutical inputs and medical equipment and the suspension of Value-Added Tax (VAT) on imports of basic necessities.

3. Measures to ensure protection for Customs Administration personnel

3.1. Briefings for personnel; in particular, by official communique and posters about individual and collective protection measures against COVID-19.
3.2. Implementation of the protective measures ordered by the World Health Organization (WHO) and the Ministry of Health in relation to COVID-19.
3.3. Purchase of protective equipment and supplies for those in contact with foreigners, for the DRC-Zambia border posts.
3.4. Establishment of a shift system to ensure a basic service is provided.

4. Measures to ensure protection for the public

4.1. Standard Customs inspections are carried out without delay in the event of fraud or smuggling.
4.2. Full verification of goods on entry.
4.3. Requirement to produce original documents when importing goods.

5. Other measures

5.1. Raising of awareness among managers and officials of the mode of transmission and the hygiene rules to be complied with in order to avoid falling victim to or becoming a carrier of the disease.

Further information: http://www.wcoomd.org/activities-and-programmes/natural-disaster/covid_19/democratic-republic-of-the-congo...