



GHANA SHIPPERS' AUTHORITY

PRESS STATEMENT

HIGH COURT DISMISSES INJUNCTION APPLICATION TO RESTRAIN IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GSA CONTAINER ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGE REGULATORY DIRECTIVE

The Ghana Shippers' Authority (GSA) wishes to inform all Shipping Lines and their Agents, Importers, Exporters, Freight Forwarders, and the general shipping public that on Friday, 10th July 2026, the High Court dismissed the application for an interlocutory injunction filed by the Ship Owners and Agents Association of Ghana (SOAAG) and some Shipping Agents, seeking to restrain the implementation and enforcement of the Authority's Regulatory Directive dated 11th May 2026, which caps the Container Administrative Charge (CAC) at GHS 720 per Twenty-foot Equivalent Unit (TEU).

In its ruling, the Court held that the Directive had already taken effect upon its issuance and consequently declined to grant the injunction sought. The Court further noted that granting the application would impede the statutory regulatory mandate of the Ghana Shippers' Authority.

The effect of the Court's ruling is that the Regulatory Directive of 11th May 2026 remains valid, operational, and in full force. Accordingly, the Ghana Shippers' Authority hereby directs all Shipping Lines and their Agents to comply fully and immediately with the Directive capping the Container Administrative Charge at GHS 720 per TEU.

Any Shipping Line or Shipping Agent that fails to comply with the Directive shall be liable to the appropriate regulatory and enforcement measures in accordance with Sections 36 and 47 of the Ghana Shippers' Authority Act, 2024 (Act 1122) and any other applicable laws.

All importers, exporters, freight forwarders, and the general shipping public should promptly report any instance of non-compliance by any Shipping Line or Shipping Agent to the Ghana Shippers' Authority through its established complaint and reporting channels for the necessary regulatory action.

The Ghana Shippers' Authority shall continue to act fairly in protecting the interests of both shippers and shipping lines and in creating a win-win enabling environment for businesses to thrive through the democratic canon of dialogue on all thorny issues that affect stakeholders. The Authority remains resolute in the discharge of its statutory mandate to regulate the commercial shipping industry, promote transparency and fairness in the application of shipping service charges, and in full support of Government's commitment to reducing the cost of doing business in Ghana.

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