



CONTAINER BILL OF LADING

Received by the Carrier or Subcontractor from the Merchant in apparent good order and condition unless otherwise indicated, the Goods, or the containers or packages said to contain the Goods, to be carried subject to all the terms on the face and back of this Bill of Lading, from the place of receipt or the port of loading to the port of discharge or place of delivery, there to be delivered. If required by the Carrier, this Bill of Lading duly endorsed must be surrendered in exchange for the Goods or delivery order.

1. DEFINITIONS

When used in this Bill of Lading :

- (A) "Carrier" means this Bill of Lading issuer, the Vessel, and the Vessel's owners, charterers, managers, and operators.
- (B) "Goods" means the cargo described on the face of this Bill of Lading and, if the cargo is in a container or containers supplied or furnished by or on behalf of the Merchant, includes the container or containers as well.
- (C) "Multimodal Transportation" means carriage of the Goods by sea and/or land transportation under a single Bill of Lading.
- (D) "Laden on Board" or similar words endorsed on this Bill of Lading means that the Goods have been loaded on board the Vessel or are in the custody of the Carrier or Subcontractor at the port of loading; and, in the event of Multimodal Transportation if the originating carrier is a Subcontractor, means that the Goods have been loaded on board rail cars or other means of inland carriage and are in the custody of a Subcontractor.



- (E) "Loss of or Damage to the Goods" includes allegations and/or claims for loss of or damage to the Goods or in connection with the Goods, and also includes allegations and/or claims for mis-delivery, non-delivery, or economic loss due to delay.
- (F) "Merchant" includes the shipper, consignor, consignee, owner, and receiver of the Goods, and the holder of this Bill of Lading, all of whom shall be jointly and severally liable to the Carrier for the payment of all freight, demurrage, damages for detention, and for the performance of the obligations of any of them under this Bill of Lading or any charter party described in the face of this Bill of Lading.
- (G) "Package" includes containers, vans, trailers, pallets, vehicles, and similar packaged units of any description, but not Goods shipped in bulk.
- (H) "Subcontractor" includes stevedores, longshoremen, lighterers, terminal operators, warehousemen, truckers, railroads, agents, and any person, corporation or other legal entity that performs any of the Carrier's obligations under this Bill of Lading (whether or not in direct privity of contract with the Carrier), and includes the Subcontractor's own Subcontractor(s).
- (I) "Vessel" includes the vessel on the face of this Bill of Lading and any ship, barge, feeder vessel or other means of transport that is substituted, in whole or in part, for that vessel.

2. CLAUSE PARAMOUNT



(A) Except as provided in (B) below, the International Convention for the Unification of Certain Rules of Law relating to Bills of Lading signed at Brussels on 24 August 1924 (“the Hague Rules”) as amended by the Protocol signed at Brussels on 23 February 1968 (“the Hague-Visby Rules”) and as enacted in the country of shipment shall apply to this Bill of Lading. When the Hague-Visby Rules are not enacted in the country of shipment, the corresponding legislation of the country of destination shall apply. When there is no enactment of the Hague-Visby Rules in the country of shipment and destination, the Hague-Visby Rules shall apply to this Bill of Lading. The Protocol signed at Brussels on 21 December 1979 (“the SDR Protocol 1979”) shall apply where the Hague-Visby Rules apply, whether mandatorily or by this Contract.

(B) If this Bill of Lading covers Goods moving to or from ports of the United States in foreign trade, or if United States law is otherwise compulsorily applicable, then carriage of such Goods shall be subject to the provisions of the United States Carriage of Goods by Sea Act, 1936, and any amendments thereto (hereinafter “U.S. COGSA”), the terms of which are incorporated in this Bill of Lading, and the provisions of U.S. COGSA shall govern prior to loading on and subsequent to the discharge from the Vessel and throughout the time when the Goods are in the custody of the Carrier or any Subcontractor including all stages of Multimodal Transportation.

3. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY ; DEFENSES

(A) Nothing in this Bill of Lading shall limit or deprive the Carrier of any rights, defenses, exemptions, limitations, conditions, immunities, liberties or statutory protections authorized by the applicable laws, statutes, or regulations of any country.



(B) The rights, defenses, exemptions, limitations, conditions, immunities, liberties and statutory protections provided in or incorporated in this Bill of Lading, governing law, and any relevant charter party shall apply in any action against the Carrier, whether the action is founded in contract, in tort, or otherwise.

4. SUBCONTRACTING ; EXEMPTIONS AND IMMUNITIES OF SUBCONTRACTORS

(A) The Carrier shall be entitled to subcontract on any terms the whole or any part of the loading, discharge, handling, storage, stowage, carriage, custody or care of the Goods, including all stages of Multimodal Transportation, and any duty undertaken by the Carrier in relation to the Goods.

(B) If any claim is made by the Merchant against any Subcontractor, the Subcontractor and the agents of each shall have the benefit of all rights, defenses, exemptions, limitations, conditions, immunities, liberties and statutory protections in this Bill of Lading benefiting the Carrier as if the provisions were expressly for the benefit of the Subcontractor to the fullest extent permitted by the law applicable to Himalaya Clauses.

5. RESPONSIBILITY FOR LOSS OR DAMAGE

(A) Insofar as this Bill of Lading is used for Port-to-Port transportation of the Goods, the Carrier shall not be liable for Loss of or Damage to the Goods caused before loading or after discharge of the Goods from the Vessel. Any indication of final destination on the face of this Bill of Lading is solely for the Merchant's reference, and the Carrier's responsibility for the Goods shall cease at the time of discharge at the port of discharge. The Carrier, in making arrangements for transportation, storage, or handling before loading or after discharge, acts only as the Merchant's agent and assumes no responsibility therefor. Pre-carriage and on-carriage of the Goods are at the risk and expense of the Merchant.



(B)The provisions (including, but not limited to, all rights, defenses, exemptions, limitations, conditions, immunities, liberties and statutory protections) of the Hague-Visby Rules or U.S. COGSA, whichever one is applicable as provided for in Articles 2(A) or (B) above, shall govern at all stages of transport including prior to loading on and subsequent to discharge from the Vessel and throughout the entire time the Goods are in the custody of Carrier or any Subcontractor, including all stages of Multimodal Transportation.

(C)The Carrier does not undertake that the Goods will arrive at any particular time or in time to meet any particular market or use, and the Carrier shall not be liable for any direct or indirect Loss of or Damage to the Goods that is caused through delay.

(D)The Carrier shall not be responsible for any Loss of or Damage to the Goods directly or indirectly caused by or arising from strikes, lock-outs, labour disturbances, trade disputes and/or any Force Majeure Event which is beyond control of Carrier, or anything done in contemplation or furtherance thereof, whether the Carrier is a party thereto or not.

6. ROUTE OF TRANSPORT ; TRANSSHIPMENT ; FORWARDING

(A)At the Carrier's discretion and without notice to the Merchant, the Goods may be carried as a single shipment or as several shipments, by the Vessel named in this Bill of Lading or by any other means of transport by land, water, or air, whether or not owned or operated by the Carrier, and by any route, whether or not such route is the direct, advertised, or customary route.



- (B) The Carrier or Subcontractor may discharge the Goods or any part of them at any port or place for transshipment, store them afloat or ashore, and forward them by any means of transport.
- (C) If the Goods cannot be found at the port of discharge or place of delivery, or if they be miscarried, when found they may be forwarded to their intended port of discharge or place of delivery, but the Carrier shall not be liable for any Loss of or Damage to the Goods arising from such forwarding.
- (D) At the Carrier's option, and without notice to the Merchant, another ship or ships may be substituted for the Vessel named in this Bill of Lading whether or not the substituted ship or ships is owned or operated by the Carrier or arrives or departs before or after the Vessel named in this Bill of Lading.
- (E) Actions the Carrier takes under this Article 6 shall be deemed to be included within the contractual carriage and such actions, or consequences resulting therefrom, shall not be considered a deviation. Should the Carrier be held liable in respect of such action, the Carrier shall be entitled to the full benefit of all rights, defenses, exemptions, limitations, conditions, immunities, liberties and statutory protections contained in this Bill of Lading.

7. LIBERTIES

- (A) In any situation, whether or not existing or anticipated before commencement of the transport, which in the judgment of the Carrier or Subcontractor (including but not limited to the Master and any person charged with the transport or safekeeping of the Goods) has given or is likely to give rise to Loss of or Damage to the Goods, danger, personal injury or death, or delay to the Vessel or any property, or has made or is likely to make it unsafe, impracticable, unlawful, or against the interest of the Carrier or the Merchant to commence



the transport, to continue the transport, to discharge the Goods at the port of discharge, or to deliver the Goods at the place of delivery, the Carrier or Subcontractor shall be entitled:

(1) to unpack the containers or otherwise dispose of the Goods in such manner as the Carrier may consider advisable, at the risk and expense of the Merchant, and

(2) before the Goods are loaded on the Vessel or other means of transport, to cancel the contract of carriage without compensation and to require the Merchant to take custody of the Goods and, upon the Merchant's failure to do so, to store the Goods at a place selected by the Carrier, at the risk and expense of the Merchant, and

(3) if the Goods are at a place awaiting transshipment, to terminate the transport there and to store the Goods at a place selected by the Carrier or Subcontractor, at the risk and expense of the Merchant, and

(4) if the Goods are on the Vessel or other means of transport, to discharge the Goods or any part of them at a port or place selected by the Carrier or Subcontractor, or to carry them back to the port of loading or place of receipt and there discharge, at the risk and expense of the Merchant. After any action taken according to this Article 7(A), the Carrier shall be free from any responsibility for further custody or carriage of the Goods.

(B) If after any action taken according to Article 7(A) above the Carrier or Subcontractor makes arrangements to store, transship, or forward the Goods, it shall do so only as agent for and at the risk and expense of the Merchant, without any liability in respect of such agency. The Merchant shall reimburse the Carrier forthwith upon demand for all extra freight, charges, and expenses incurred for any actions taken according to Article



7(A), including delay or expense to the Vessel, and the Carrier shall have a lien upon the Goods to that extent.

(C) The situations referred to in Article 7(A) above shall include, but shall not be limited to, those caused by the existence or apprehension of war, hostilities, riots, civil commotions, or other disturbances; closure of, obstacle in, or danger to any port or seaway; blockage, prohibition, or restriction on commerce or trading; quarantine, sanitary, or other similar regulations or restrictions; strikes, lockouts, or other labour troubles whether partial or general and whether or not involving employees of the Carrier or Subcontractor; congestion of port, wharf, sea terminal, or similar place; shortage, absence, or obstacles of labour or facilities for loading, discharge, delivery, or other handling of the Goods; epidemics or diseases; bad weather, shallow water, ice, landslip, or other obstacles to navigation or carriage.

(D) The Vessel shall have liberty to call at any port or place, whether in or out of the direct, advertised, or customary route, once or more often and in any order, and to omit calling at any port or place, whether scheduled or not.

(E) The Vessel shall have liberty, either with or without the Goods on board and either before or after proceeding toward the port of discharge, to adjust compasses and other navigational instruments, make trial trips or tests, drydock whether laden or not, go to repair yards, shift berths, take on fuel or stores at any port, embark or disembark any person, carry contraband, explosives, munitions, and hazardous cargo, sail without pilots, tow or be towed, and save or attempt to save life or property.

(F) The Carrier, in addition to all other liberties provided for in this Article 7, shall have liberty to comply with orders, directions, regulations, or suggestions as to navigation or the carriage or handling of the Goods or the Vessel, given by any actual or purported government or public authority, or by any committee or person



having under the terms of any insurance on the Vessel the right to give such order, direction, regulation, or suggestion.

(G) Actions the Carrier takes under this Article 7 shall be deemed to be included within the contractual carriage and such actions, or consequences resulting therefrom, shall not be considered a deviation. Should the Carrier be held liable in respect of such action, the Carrier shall be entitled to the full benefit of all rights, defenses, exemptions, limitations, conditions, immunities, liberties and statutory protections contained in this Bill of Lading.

8. DESCRIPTION OF PARTICULARS OF GOODS

Any description on the face of this Bill of Lading of marks, quality, quantity, weight, measure, nature, value, or any other particulars of the Goods is as furnished by the Merchant. The Carrier shall not be responsible for the accuracy of any such description and is not bound thereby. The Merchant warrants to the Carrier that the descriptions of particulars that the Merchant furnishes are correct, and the Merchant shall indemnify the Carrier against all loss, damage, expenses, liability, or penalties resulting from inaccuracy of any description of particulars.

9. USE OF CONTAINER

When the Goods are not already packed into a container at the time of receipt by the Carrier or Subcontractor, the Carrier or Subcontractor shall be at liberty to pack and carry the Goods in any type of container.



10. OCEAN CARRIER'S CONTAINER

(A) The Merchant assumes full responsibility for and shall indemnify the Carrier against any loss of or damage to the Carrier's containers and other equipment if the loss or damage is caused or occurs while in the possession or control of the Merchant, the Merchant's agents or the Merchant's subcontractors, or other entities engaged by or on behalf of the Merchant.

(B) The Carrier shall not be liable for, and the Merchant shall indemnify, defend and hold the Carrier harmless from, any death of or injuries to persons or loss of or damage to property caused by the Carrier's container or its contents while in the possession or control of the Merchant, his agents, or other carriers engaged by or on behalf of the Merchant.

11. CONTAINER PACKED BY MERCHANT

If the cargo received by the Carrier or Subcontractor is in a container packed by or on behalf of the Merchant:

(A) This Bill of Lading is evidence only of the receipt of the number of containers shown on the face of this Bill of Lading. The condition and particulars of the contents are unknown to the Carrier, and the Carrier accepts no responsibility for the accuracy of the description of the condition or particulars of the contents.

(B) The Merchant warrants:



- (1) that the stowage of the contents of the containers and the closing and sealing of the containers, are safe and proper, and
- (2) that the containers and their contents are suitable for handling and carriage in accordance with all terms of this Bill of Lading, including Article 14. If the Merchant breaches any of these warranties, the Merchant and not the Carrier shall be responsible for any resulting loss or damage to persons or property (including but not limited to the Vessel and the Goods), and the Merchant shall indemnify and hold the Carrier harmless from any resulting loss or damage to persons or property (including but not limited to the Vessel and the Goods).
- (C) The Merchant shall inspect each container before using it, and the Merchant represents that the container is in sound and suitable condition for the transport contracted for in this Bill of Lading. The Carrier shall have no liability for Loss of or Damage to the Goods arising out of the unsuitability of the container if the unsuitability would have been apparent upon reasonable inspection by the Merchant at or before the time of packing the container.
- (D) If the container is delivered by the Carrier or Subcontractor with seal(s) intact, such delivery shall be deemed to be full and complete performance of the Carrier's obligations under this Bill of Lading, and the Carrier shall not be liable for any Loss of or Damage to the Goods.
- (E) The Carrier or Subcontractor shall have the right to open any container, whether packed by the Merchant or not, and to inspect its contents, without notice to the Merchant, at such time and place as the Carrier or Subcontractor may deem necessary, and at the risk and expense of the Merchant.



(F) If any seal on a container is broken by Customs or other authority for inspection of its contents, the Carrier shall not be liable for any resulting Loss of or Damage to the Goods, or any expense.

(G) When a container is stuffed and sealed by the Merchant prior to delivery to and receipt by Carrier or Subcontractor, all statements on this Bill of Lading relating to the contents of the containers, including marks and numbers, number and kind of packages, description, quantity, quality, weight, measure, nature, kind, value or any other particulars are furnished by the Merchant and have not been checked by the Carrier or Subcontractor. The Carrier and Subcontractor do not have facilities to weigh sealed containers at the load port and has neither inspected the contents of, nor weighed the containers. Any reference in this Bill of Lading to Shipped on Board or Clean on Board relates solely to the containers and not to the contents thereof.

12. SPECIAL CARRIAGE OR CONTAINER

(A) The Carrier does not undertake to carry or store the Goods in refrigerated, heated, insulated, ventilated, or any other special hold or container or to carry or store any special container packed by or on behalf of the Merchant, and the Carrier will treat such Goods or container only as ordinary Goods or dry container unless:

(1) special arrangements for the carriage or storage of such Goods or container have been agreed to in writing between the Carrier and the Merchant,

(2) such special arrangements are noted on the face of this Bill of Lading, and

(3) special freight as required has been paid.



- (B) The Carrier shall not be liable for any Loss of or Damage to the Goods in a special hold, or in a special container supplied by the Carrier, arising from latent defects, breakdown, or stoppage of the refrigerating or heating machinery, insulation, ship's plant, or other such apparatus of the Vessel or container, provided that the Carrier before and at the beginning of the transport has exercised due diligence to maintain the special hold or container.
- (C) The Carrier shall not be responsible for the function of a special container supplied by or on behalf of the Merchant.
- (D) If the Goods have been packed into a refrigerated container by the Carrier or Subcontractor, and the particular temperature range requested by the Merchant is inserted on this Bill of Lading, the Carrier or Subcontractor will set the thermostatic controls within the requested temperature range but does not guarantee the maintenance of such temperature inside the container.
- (E) If the cargo received by the Carrier or Subcontractor is in a refrigerated container packed by or on behalf of the Merchant, it is the obligation of the Merchant to properly stow the contents and set the thermostatic controls and vents. The Carrier shall not be liable for any Loss of or Damage to the Goods resulting from the Merchant's failure in such obligation, and the Carrier does not guarantee the maintenance of the intended temperature inside the container.

13. DANGEROUS GOODS, CONTRABAND AND ANTI-DRUG



- (A) The Carrier will carry Goods of an explosive, inflammable, radioactive, corrosive, damaging, poisonous, or dangerous nature only upon the Carrier's approval of a written application by the Merchant prior to the carriage of such Goods. Such application must accurately state the name, nature, character and classification of the Goods, as well as how they are dangerous and the method of rendering them innocuous, together with the full names and addresses of the shipper and the consignee.
- (B) The Merchant shall distinctly and permanently mark the nature and danger of such Goods on the outside of the package or container containing the Goods.
- (C) The Merchant shall submit all documents or certificates in connection with such Goods required by any applicable statute or regulation, or by the Carrier.
- (D) Whenever it is discovered that the Goods have been received by the Carrier or Subcontractor without compliance with Articles 13(A), (B) or (C) above, or the Goods are found to be contraband or prohibited by any law or regulation, the Carrier shall be entitled to have such Goods rendered innocuous, thrown overboard, discharged, or otherwise disposed of, at the Carrier's discretion and without compensation to the Merchant, and the Merchant shall be liable for and shall indemnify the Carrier against any loss, damage, or liability including loss of freight, and any other expense directly or indirectly arising out of the custody or carriage of such Goods.
- (E) The Carrier may exercise the rights conferred upon it under this Article 13(D) whenever Goods received in compliance with Articles 13(A), (B), and (C) above have become dangerous, even if not dangerous when received by the Carrier or Subcontractor.



(F) The Carrier shall not be liable for, and the Merchant shall indemnify, defend and hold the Carrier harmless from any death of or injuries to persons or loss of or damage to the vessel, cargo or other property which may arise from the dangerous nature of the Goods.

(G) In pursuance of the provisions of the U.S. Anti-Drug Abuse Act 1986, or any re-enactment thereof, the Carrier warrants that it will exercise the highest degree of care and diligence in preventing unmanifested narcotic drugs and marijuana being loaded or concealed on board the Vessel. The Merchant shall remain responsible for and indemnify the Carrier against all time lost and all expenses incurred, including fines, in the event that unmanifested narcotic drugs and/or marijuana are found in the possession or effects of cargo or package.

14. STOWAGE UNDER AND ON DECK

(A) Goods in containers or vans, or on trailers or chassis, may be carried under deck or on deck. When such Goods are carried on deck the Carrier shall not be required to mark any statement of "on deck stowage" on the face of this Bill of Lading, any custom to the contrary notwithstanding. Such on deck carriage shall not be considered a deviation.

(B) Goods stowed in poop, forecastle, deck house, shelter deck, passenger space, or any other covered-in space, or stowed in a container wherever placed, shall be deemed to be stowed under deck for all purposes including general average.



(C) Lumber, earth moving equipment, and all other Goods customarily or reasonably carried on deck may at the Carrier's option be carried on deck without notice to the Merchant and without liability of the Carrier for the risks inherent in or incident to such carriage. When such Goods are carried on deck the Carrier shall not be required to mark any statement of "on deck stowage" on the face of this Bill of Lading, any custom to the contrary notwithstanding. Such on deck carriage shall not be considered a deviation.

(D) In respect of Goods (except in containers) carried on deck and stated on this Bill of Lading to be so carried, all risks of loss or damage from perils inherent in or incident to the custody or carriage of such Goods on deck, including but not limited to Loss of or Damage to the Goods, shall be borne by the Merchant, whether or not caused by the Carrier's negligence or the Vessel's unseaworthiness and in all other respects the Carrier shall have the benefit of the provisions of the Hague-Visby Rules or U.S. COGSA, whichever one is applicable as provided for in Articles 2(A) or (B) above, and the terms of this Bill of Lading.

15. LIVE ANIMALS AND PLANTS

With respect to the custody and carriage of live animals and plants, all risks of loss or damage from perils inherent in or incident to such carriage shall be borne by the Merchant, and in all other respects the Carrier shall have the benefit of the provisions of the applicable Hague-Visby Rules or U.S. COGSA, whichever one is applicable as provided for in Articles 2(A) or (B) above, and the terms of this Bill of Lading.

16. VALUABLE GOODS

The Carrier shall not be liable for Loss of or Damage to or in connection with precious metals or stones, chemicals, jewelry, currency,



writings, negotiable instruments, securities, documents, works of art, heirlooms, or any other valuable Goods, including Goods having particular value only for the Merchant, unless the Merchant has declared the nature and value of the Goods in writing before receipt of the Goods by the Carrier or Subcontractor, the nature and value of the Goods have been inserted on the face of this Bill of Lading, and additional freight has been paid as required.

17. HEAVY LIFT

(A) The weight of a single piece or package exceeding 2,240 lbs. (one metric ton) gross must be declared by the Merchant in writing before receipt by the Carrier or Subcontractor and must be marked clearly and durably on the outside of the piece or package.

(B) If the Merchant fails in his obligations under this Article 17(A): (1) the Carrier shall not be responsible for any Loss of or Damage to the Goods, (2) the Merchant shall be liable for resulting loss of or damage to any person or property, and (3) the Merchant shall indemnify the Carrier against any resulting loss, damage, or liability suffered by the Carrier.

18. DELIVERY BY MARKS

(A) The Carrier shall not be liable for failure to deliver in accordance with marks unless such marks clearly and durably show upon the Goods, package, or container when the Goods are received by the Carrier or Subcontractor, together with the names of the port of discharge and place of delivery.



(B) The Merchant warrants that the marks on the Goods, packages, and containers correspond to the marks shown on this Bill of Lading and also in all respects comply with all laws and regulations in force at the port of discharge or place of delivery. The Merchant shall indemnify the Carrier against all loss, damage or expenses resulting from inaccuracy or incompleteness of the marks.

(C) Goods that cannot be identified as to marks or numbers, cargo sweepings, liquid residue, and any unclaimed Goods not otherwise accounted for may be allocated for the purpose of completing delivery to the various Merchants of Goods of like character in proportion to any apparent shortage, loss of weight, or damage.

19. DELIVERY

(A) Loading shall take place as fast as the Vessel is able to load, by day and- if required by the Carrier- also by night, Sundays and holidays. If Goods contracted for shipment are not available, when the Vessel is ready to load, the Carrier is relieved of any obligation to load such Goods, and the Vessel may leave the port without further notice and deadfreight is to be paid. The Carrier is entitled to land and receive the Goods or to appoint a person or a corporation for the landing and reception of the Goods. Whether appointed by the Carrier or not, anybody so acting is the Merchant's representative and the Merchant shall pay current charges whether delivery is taken overside or on quay. The Merchant must be ready to take delivery of the Goods as soon as the Vessel is ready to deliver as fast as she is able to discharge, by day and, if required by the Carrier, also by night, Sundays and holidays. If the Goods are not taken by the Merchant at the time when the Vessel is entitled to call upon him to take delivery, or if they are not removed alongside the Vessel without delay, the Carrier shall be at liberty at the sole risk and expense of the Merchant to enter the Goods, to move them, to land them on to wharf, quay or into warehouse or to discharge them into craft, bulk, lighters, pack or unpack the container and/or sell them with or without legal authority, and the contract of carriage shall be



considered as fulfilled.

(B) The Carrier may at its discretion deliver the Goods at any time at the Vessel's side or at a customhouse, warehouse, wharf, or any other place at the port of discharge or place of delivery shown on the face of this Bill of Lading.

(C) Delivery shall take place upon discharge.

(D) Delivery may be to the Merchant including his own bonded warehouses, to the Customs or other public authority, and the Carrier shall have no further responsibility for the Goods.

(E) If the Goods received by the Carrier or Subcontractor are in containers packed by or on behalf of the Merchant:

(1) The Carrier shall be responsible only to deliver the total number of containers received. The Carrier shall not be required to unpack the containers and deliver their contents.

(2) At the Carrier's discretion and upon the Merchant's request in writing to the Carrier at least 3 days before the scheduled date of arrival of the Vessel at the port of discharge, the containers may be unpacked and their contents delivered by the Carrier in accordance with the written request. In such a case, if the seals of the containers are intact at the time of unpacking, the Carrier's obligations under this Bill of Lading shall be discharged, the Carrier shall not be responsible for any Loss of or Damage to the Goods resulting from such delivery, and the Merchant shall be liable for an appropriate adjustment of the freight and any



additional charges incurred.

(F) If the Carrier for its convenience has packed the Goods into a container, the Carrier shall not be required to deliver the Goods in the container. At the Carrier's discretion, and subject to prior arrangement between the Merchant and the Carrier, the Goods may be delivered to the Merchant in the container, in which case if the container is delivered with its seal intact the Carrier's obligations under this Bill of Lading shall be discharged, and the Carrier shall not be responsible for any Loss of or Damage to the Goods.

(G) The Carrier is not responsible to notify, in writing or otherwise, the Merchant or others of the arrival, discharge, or disposition of the Goods, any custom or agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, and notwithstanding any notation on the face of this Bill of Lading that there is a notify party.

20. FIRE

The Carrier shall not be responsible for any Loss of or Damage to the Goods arising or resulting from fire, even if such Loss of or Damage to the Goods occurs before loading or after discharge of the Goods from the Vessel and whether founded in contract or in tort, unless arising or resulting from willful intention or negligence of the Carrier.

21. GOVERNMENT ORDERS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Carrier shall have liberty to comply with any orders, directions or recommendations as to loading, departure,



arrival, routes, ports of call, stoppages, discharge, destination, delivery or otherwise howsoever given by any person acting or purporting to act with the authority of any government, international organization or any department thereof, or by any committee or person having, or purporting to have, under the terms of the insurance on the Vessel, the right to give such orders, directions or recommendations. If by reason of or in compliance with, any such orders, directions or recommendations the Vessel does not proceed to the port or ports originally designated, the Vessel may proceed to any other port which the Carrier or the Master of the Vessel at its discretion may select and there discharge the Goods. If in the opinion of the Carrier or the Master the performance of the transport is or threatens to be unsafe, unlawful or inadvisable by the imminence or existence of war, warlike operations or hostilities, the container may be devanned and/or the Goods may be discharged at the port of loading or at any other port or place at the Carrier's or Master's discretion. If on account of actual or threatening epidemics, quarantine, ice, strikes, lock-outs, labour troubles, interdict, congestion, difficulties and/or any Force Majeure Event beyond the control of the Carrier in loading or discharge the Carrier or the Master at any time is in doubt as to whether the Vessel can safely and without delay or detention, reach, enter or leave the port of loading or reach or enter the port of discharge or there discharge in the usual manner, or proceed thence on the voyage safely or without delay or detention, the container may be devanned and/or the Goods may be discharged at the port of loading or at any other port or place at the Carrier or Master's discretion. In the cases referred to above in this Article 21, the Carrier may at any time postpone the carriage of any part of the Goods contracted for herein till some later date or cancel in whole or in part the contract whether before or after this Bill of Lading is issued. The discharge of the Goods and/or their delivery or other disposition pursuant to any provision of this Article 21 shall constitute complete delivery and performance under this contract and the Carrier shall be freed from any further responsibility. In the event of any diversion, delay or detention of the Vessel under such circumstances as provided in this Article 21 and/or any services rendered to the Goods hereunder, the Carrier shall be entitled to a reasonable extra compensation and shall have a lien on the Goods for such charges.

22. LIEN ON GOODS



(A) The Carrier shall have a lien on the Goods, any documents relating thereto, or any other cargo or property of the Merchant within the Carrier's custody or control for all freight, deadfreight, demurrage, damages for detention, general average contributions, stevedoring charges, storage, container per diem expenses, and any other sums whatsoever (including costs and attorney fees for recovering the sums) chargeable to the Merchant under this or any other Bill of Lading or any contracts related thereto. The Carrier may foreclose the lien by selling the Goods, without notice to the Merchant, where applicable, privately or by public auction. If proceeds of the sale of the Goods fail to cover the amount due and the costs and fees incurred, the Carrier shall be entitled to recover the deficit from the Merchant.

(B) At the Carrier's sole discretion if the Goods are unclaimed for a reasonable time beyond its free time allowance, or whenever in the Carrier's opinion the Goods will deteriorate or depreciate, the Carrier may at its discretion exercise its lien or sell, abandon, or otherwise dispose of such Goods at the risk and expense of the Merchant.

23. FREIGHT AND CHARGES

(A) Freight may be calculated on the basis of the description of particulars furnished by the Merchant, who shall be deemed to have guaranteed to the Carrier the accuracy of the contents, quantity, weight, measure, value, and other particulars as furnished at the time of receipt of the Goods by the Carrier or Subcontractor, but the Carrier, for the purpose of ascertaining the actual particulars, may open the container or package at any time and at the risk and expense of the Merchant. In case of incorrect declaration of any particular, the Merchant shall be liable to the Carrier for:



(1) the balance of freight between the freight charged and that which would have been due had the correct particular been given, plus

(2) expenses incurred in determining the correct particular, plus

(3) as liquidated and ascertained damages, an additional sum equal to the correct freight.

(B) Full freight to the place of delivery shall be completely earned upon loading of the Goods, whether the freight is stated or intended to be prepaid or to be collected at destination. The Carrier shall be entitled to all freight and other charges due hereunder, whether actually paid or not, and to receive and retain such freight and charges regardless whether the Vessel or the Goods be lost, or whether the Carrier takes any of the liberties allowed in this Bill of Lading. Full freight shall be paid on damaged or unsound Goods.

(C) The payment of freight and charges shall be made in full and in cash without any offset or deduction.

(D) Goods received by the Carrier or Subcontractor cannot be taken away or disposed of by the Merchant except upon the Carrier's consent and after payment of full freight and charges due under this Bill of Lading.

(E) If the Goods are not available when the Vessel is ready to load, and unless it is caused by the failure of the Carrier to perform its obligations under this Bill of Lading, dead freight shall be paid by the Merchant.

(F) The Merchant shall be liable for and shall indemnify the Carrier against: (1) all duties, taxes, consular fees,



and other charges levied on the Goods, and (2) all fines, damages, and losses sustained by the Carrier in connection with the Goods, including the Merchant's failure to comply with laws and regulations of any public authority in connection with the Goods, or failure to procure consular, board of health, or other certificates to accompany the Goods. The Merchant shall be liable for return freight and charges on any Goods refused exportation or importation by any public authority.

(G) If in the Carrier's or Subcontractor's opinion the Goods are in need of sorting, inspecting, mending, repairing, or reconditioning, or otherwise require protecting or caring for, the Carrier or Subcontractor at its discretion may, as agent for the Merchant, carry out such work at the risk and expense of the Merchant.

(H) Any party performing forwarding services with respect to the Goods shall be considered to be the agent of the Merchant exclusively, and any payment of freight or charges to such party shall not be considered to be payment to the Carrier.

(I) The Merchant shall be liable for Carrier's attorney fees, expenses and costs to collect any freight or charges under this Article 23.

(J) The Merchant shall be responsible for any additional war risks premium arising from the vessel's call at the named discharge port herein and such additional premium shall constitute a charge due hereunder against the Goods pursuant to this Article 23.

24. NOTICE OF CLAIM AND TIME FOR SUIT AGAINST OCEAN CARRIER



- (A) Unless notice of Loss of or Damage to the Goods and the general nature of such loss or damage is given in writing to the Carrier at the port of discharge or place of delivery before or at the time of delivery of the Goods or, if the loss or damage is not apparent, within 3 days after delivery, the Goods shall be deemed to have been delivered as described on the face of this Bill of Lading.
- (B) The Carrier shall be discharged from all liability in respect of the Goods, including, but not limited to, liability for Loss of or Damage to the Goods, unless suit is brought within one year after delivery of the Goods or the date when the Goods should have been delivered.

25. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

- (A) All provisions in this Article 25 apply irrespective of the stage of ocean or inland transport where the Loss of or Damage to the Goods occurred, including prior to loading on and subsequent to discharge from the Vessel and throughout the entire time the Goods are in the custody of Carrier or any Subcontractor, including all stages of Multimodal Transportation.
- (B) Subject to Articles 25(C), (D) and (E) below, for the purpose of determining the extent of the Carrier's liability for Loss of or Damage to the Goods, the Merchant agrees that the sound value of the Goods is the Merchant's net invoice cost, plus freight and insurance premium, if paid. The Carrier shall not be liable for any loss of profit or any consequential loss.
- (C) Unless the value and nature of the Goods have been declared in writing by the Merchant before shipment and inserted in the Bill of Lading and extra freight has been paid as required by tariff or contract, the Carrier shall



not be liable for Loss of or Damage to the Goods in an amount exceeding the following per package or unit limit of liability: (1) For shipments, including Multimodal shipments, involving carriage of the Goods to or from a U.S. port, the limit of liability is US\$500 per package, or in case of Goods not shipped in packages, US\$500 per customary freight unit; or (2) For all other shipments (and/or in any case where a court should rule that the US\$500 limit of liability per package or customary freight unit in this Article 25(C)(1) is not enforceable) the limit of liability is the higher of 2 SDR (or equivalent in local currency) per kilogram of gross weight of the Goods or 666.67 SDR (or equivalent in local currency) per package or unit.

(D) If a Declared Value has been inserted on the front of the Bill of Lading and extra freight has been paid as required by tariff or contract but the actual value of the Goods per package or unit exceeds such Declared Value, the value shall nevertheless be deemed to be the Declared Value, and the Carrier's liability, if any, shall not exceed the Declared Value. Any partial Loss of or Damage to the Goods shall be adjusted pro rata on the basis of such Declared Value. If the Declared Value or nature has been knowingly misstated, the Carrier shall not be liable to pay any amount.

(E) Where the Goods have been packed into a container or unitized into a similar article of transport by or on behalf of the Merchant, it is expressly agreed that the number of such containers or similar articles of transport shall be considered to be the number of packages or units for the purpose of the application of the limitation of liability provided for in this Article 25.

26. GENERAL AVERAGE; NEW JASON CLAUSE

(A) General average shall be adjusted, stated, and settled at the port or place of the Carrier's option and according



to the York-Antwerp Rules, 1994 and, as to matters not provided for by those Rules, according to the laws and usages of the port or place of adjustment, and in the currency selected by the Carrier. The general average statement shall be prepared by the adjusters appointed by the Carrier. Average agreement or bond and such cash deposit as the Carrier may deem sufficient to cover the estimated contribution of the Goods and any salvage and special charges thereon, and any other additional securities as the Carrier may require, shall be furnished by the Merchant to the Carrier before delivery of the Goods.

(B) In the event of accident, danger, damage, or disaster before or after commencement of the voyage, resulting from any cause, whether due to negligence or not, for which or for the consequences of which the Carrier is not responsible by statute, contract, or otherwise, the Goods and the Merchant shall jointly and severally contribute with the Carrier in general average to the payment of any sacrifices, loss, or expenses of a general average nature that may be or incurred, and shall pay salvage and special charges incurred in respect of the Goods. If a salving ship is owned or operated by the Carrier, salvage shall be paid for as fully and in the same manner as if such salving ship belonged to strangers.

27. BOTH TO BLAME COLLISION

If the Vessel comes into collision with another ship as a result of the negligence of the other ship and any act, neglect, or default of the Master, crew, pilot, or agent of the Vessel or Carrier in the navigation or in the management of the Vessel, the Merchant shall indemnify the Carrier against all loss or liability incurred directly or indirectly to the other ship or her owners or operators insofar as such loss or liability represents Loss of or Damage to the Goods or any claim paid or payable to the Merchant by the other ship or her owners or operators and set-off, recouped, or recovered by the other ship or her owners or operators as part of their claim against the Vessel or the Carrier. The foregoing provisions shall also apply where the owners, operators, or those in charge of



any ship or objects other than or in addition to the colliding ships or objects are at fault in respect of a collision, contact, stranding, or other accident.

28. CARRIER'S TARIFF

This Bill of Lading is issued subject to the Carrier's applicable tariff that is incorporated herein. Attention is drawn to the terms and conditions therein relating to free storage time and to additional charges including demurrage, damage for detention, per diem, storage expenses and legal fees, etc. Copies of the applicable tariff are obtainable from the Carrier or its agent upon request and the Merchant agrees to know and accept such Tariff. In case of inconsistency between this Bill of Lading and the applicable Tariff, this Bill of Lading shall prevail.

29. GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION

- (A) Any claims arising from or in connection with or relating to this Bill of Lading shall be exclusively governed by the law of Korea except as otherwise provided herein inclusive of this Article 2 and Article 3(A). Any and all action under or concerning this Bill of Lading (including, but not limited to, Loss of or Damage to the Goods) whether based on breach of contract, tort or otherwise shall be brought before the Seoul Civil District Court in Korea.
- (B) Notwithstanding Article 29(A) above, any and all actions by Carrier against Merchant concerning freight and/or charges and/or any other expenses incurred to Carrier for the reason that Merchant is responsible for, including but not limited to those charges in Article 28, may be brought in the courts of any place where Merchant is subject to jurisdiction and the applicable laws or regulations of that jurisdiction shall apply to such actions by the Carrier against the Merchant.



30. SUPERSEDING CLAUSE

All agreement or freight engagements for the shipment of the Goods are superseded by this Bill of Lading.

31. SEVERABILITY OF TERMS

The terms of this Bill of Lading are severable, and if any part of terms is declared invalid or unenforceable, the validity or enforceability of any other part of term shall not be affected.