Dear Member,

The Council has received mail from Embassy of India Beijing regarding cases of containers stuck at ports in China which were meant for onward transit to Kazakhstan. Mission is actively following the cases with the Chinese authorities for resolution.

Following is the excerpt of the mail:

"This Mission has come across two cases of containers stuck at ports in China which were meant for onward transit to Kazakhstan. Both the consignments were sent through Ocean freight and were supposed to reach Almaty, Kazakhstan by train. The containers reached the respective ports in China in June and July 2021. However, there is no further movement of the containers from the port to the railway cargo station for boarding on the rail cargo train for Almaty, Kazakhstan. Mission has been actively following the first case referred to us by Pharmexcil in November 2021 and the containers are expected to travel to Kazakhstan in last week of January, 2022. The other case has been received recently.

The embassy also met the Commercial Counsellor of Kazakh Embassy to understand the issue. He informed me that more than 15000 containers meant for Kazakhstan are stuck at various ports of China. They are continuously raising the issue with Chinese side but to no avail. Several Embassies including the Korean Embassy have also flagged the issue with them."

We request our members to take into consideration the above mentioned factors while shipping to CIS countries.

With Best Wishes and Regards

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