CMA CGM suspends shipments to/from Niger via the port of Cotonou, Benin

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CMA CGM states on October 25th, 2023, the Cotonou Port Authorities published a notice N°1923/23/PAC/DG/DCM/DFAC/SC informing that, due to current operational constraints and congestion, all loadings to and from Niger are suspended in the port of Cotonou until further notice.

Following this instruction and with immediate effect, CMA CGM will apply a booking stop for any shipment to and from Niger in transit through the port of Cotonou.

If your cargo has already arrived at Cotonou, strict compliance with Cotonou Port Authorities order is expected:

"Three regimes with several facilities have been offered to economic operators whose cargoes are awaiting removal on Beninese territory:

Consumption in Benin

Change of itinerary or destination

Transshipment or re-export

We remind you that all additional costs and charges, including but not limited to return freight, storage, plugging, terminal handling charges, and all local demurrage charges, shall be for Merchant's account and that Carrier shall not be liable for any loss of damage to cargo whatsoever arising out of this force majeure situation.