

Notice regarding Unauthentic B/Ls (2)

As stated in the April 2014 notice released on this website, The Keihin Co., Ltd. ("Keihin") received inquiries from several companies in Kenya, Tanzania and other countries regarding documents that appeared to be bills of lading issued by Keihin (including documents that appeared to be bills of lading and others labeled "B/L COPY;" hereinafter called "B/Ls").

Our subsequent investigation revealed that Keihin is not involved with this matter and an unknown third party conducted these illegal acts, including the unauthorized preparation and issuance of the B/Ls. We therefore provided the information to investigating authorities and requested them to investigate these cases and have taken other necessary steps.

We would now like to bring this matter to your attention and are posting this notice once again in order to prevent further damages from becoming more widespread as a result of these illegal acts.

- 1) If you have received a bill of lading (including a document labelled "B/L COPY"), please carefully investigate and confirm the document's statements, specifications, and form because a bill of lading is a formal document prepared in conformity with certain standards required for statements, specifications, and forms. The documents labeled "B/L COPY" are also prepared using similar specifications.
- 2) If you have received a bill of lading that contains the corporate name of Keihin as an issuer or that states that Keihin was involved in the preparation of the documents and are suspicious as to the document's authenticity, please proceed with caution in your investigation as to the authenticity of the documents.
- 3) It would be necessary for us (specifically, the Marine & Terminal Sales Department of Keihin in Japan) to obtain an original copy of the relevant bill of lading in order to finally and conclusively ascertain its authenticity. If you would like to make an inquiry regarding a bill of lading to determine whether or not the bill of lading contains information included in an actual, Keihin-issued bill of lading, please send inquiries and a copy of the bill of lading to us at the following email address:

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