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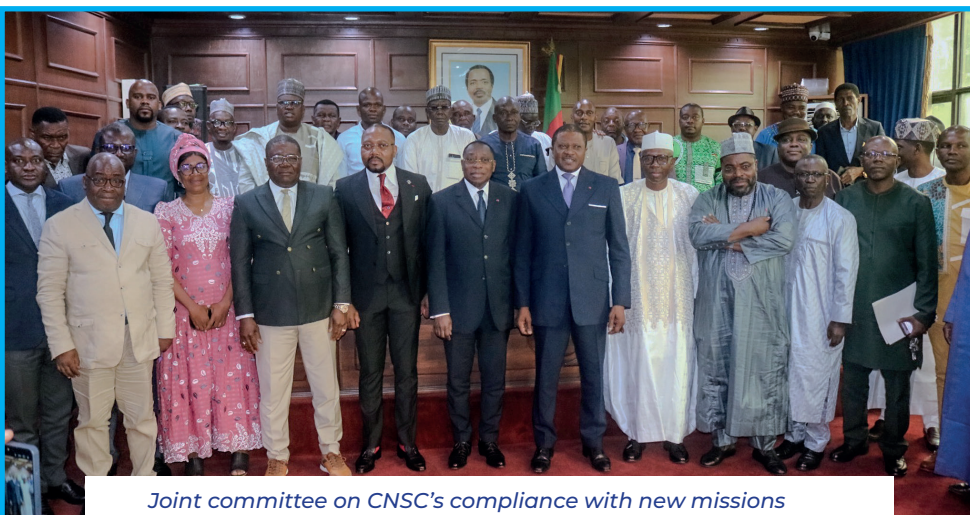
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Dear Shippers, particularly advertising visuals and roll ups. In the month of May, the Through this transformation, the Cameroon National Shippers' Council rolled out the communication strategy on its transformation from an Administrative Public Establishment to a public corporation with the State as sole shareholder. This transformation saw the company change its graphic brand style guide, visible in the new design of the Shippers' Newsletter as of this month. This change equally covers communication tools,

Have an enjoyable reading !

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Consultations

Report of the Joint Committee on CNSC's compliance with new missions presented in Yaounde



Joint Committee in session

This joint committee reported on its activities to oversee the adaptation of the new CNSC

The meeting to present the findings of the Joint Committee tasked with overseeing the compliance of the Cameroon National Shippers' Council (CNSC), recently transformed into a public corporation by Decree No. 2025/314 of 16 July 2025 signed

by the President of the Republic, held at the Ministry of Transport on Friday, 22 May 2026. The committee, coordinated by the Secretary General of the Ministry of Transport, H.R.H. Mveimani Sombo Amba, was tasked with adapting the CNSC's operating procedures to its new status as a public corporation. The session was chaired by transport minister Jean Ernest Massena Ngalle Bibehé. In attendance

were CNSC's General Manager, Mr. Auguste Mbappe Penda, and representatives from several public administrations as well as sector players in cross-border trade and cargo transport from Cameroon, Chad and the Central African Republic.

The session aimed at identifying avenues for modernisation with a view to strengthening the strategic role of the CNSC in the development of logistics infrastructure and sub-regional trade. The report highlighted some constraints, including a lack of investment, poor coordination between stakeholders and delays in the digitisation of procedures. In terms of recommendations, the Committee emphasised the need to modernise existing mechanisms for the issuance of transport documents, notably the Domestic Consignment Note (LVO), and to strengthen the interconnection of digital platforms.

The Minister for Transport reaffirmed Government's commitment to making the CNSC a key actor of Cameroon's economic competitiveness. In conclusion, he called for the establishment of a monitoring and evaluation mechanism, urging improved collaboration between sectoral ministries to ensure the effective implementation of the reform process.

Cooperation

CNSC and COC -Chad seal ties with agreement

Both institutions signed a partnership agreement to ease cross-border transport.

On the side-lines of the Chad-Cameroon-CAR tripartite forum hosted by Chad, the Cameroon National Shippers' Council (CNSC) and the Chadian Shippers' Council (COC-Chad) signed a protocol agreement on Thursday, 14 May 2026 at the COC-Chad headquarters in N'Djamena. The General Managers of the two institutions, Mr. Auguste Mbappe Penda for the CNSC and Mr. Hamid Djoumino for COC-Chad, signed the agreement in the presence of Mr. Cyrus Ngo'o, Director General of the Port Authority of Douala (PAD).



Landmark Agreement between CNSC and COC-Chad

This protocol agreement aims to make the Douala-Kribi/N'Djamena road corridor a key lever for the integration and logistics competitiveness of the Central African sub-region, and covers key areas such as the interconnection of IT systems, electronic cargo tracking

and the facilitation of customs formalities. It also includes reducing irregular practices, producing reliable statistics, managing complaints and engaging technical and financial partners. Now bound by this agreement, the

General Managers of the CNSC and COC-Chad seek to ensure an efficient and hassle-free corridor for importers and exporters of both countries.

Digital Education

CWEIC aligns with NDS30 priorities



Students in a Digital Classroom

Modernising education in Cameroon through digital learning

On 8 May 2026, Government High School (GHS) Limbe in the South-West Region officially opened its smart classroom during a cere-

mony presided over by the Minister of Secondary Education (MINESEC), Professor Pauline Nalova Lyonga. This initiative is a contribution to efforts made at modernising Cameroon's educational system as set out in the National Development Strategy

2020–2030 (NDS30), driven by the President of the Republic H.E. Paul Biya, with support from MINESEC, PROMETHEAN and the Commonwealth Enterprise and Investment Council (CWEIC) whose Hub is hosted at the Head Office of the Cameroon National Shippers' Council (CNSC).

Speaking at the ceremony, the Regional Director of the CWEIC Hub for Cameroon, Gabon, Togo and Sierra Leone, Mr Etienne Bama, who is also Technical Adviser No. 1 at the CNSC, reiterated the CWEIC Hub's firm commitment to promoting trade and investment in priority sectors of NDS30.

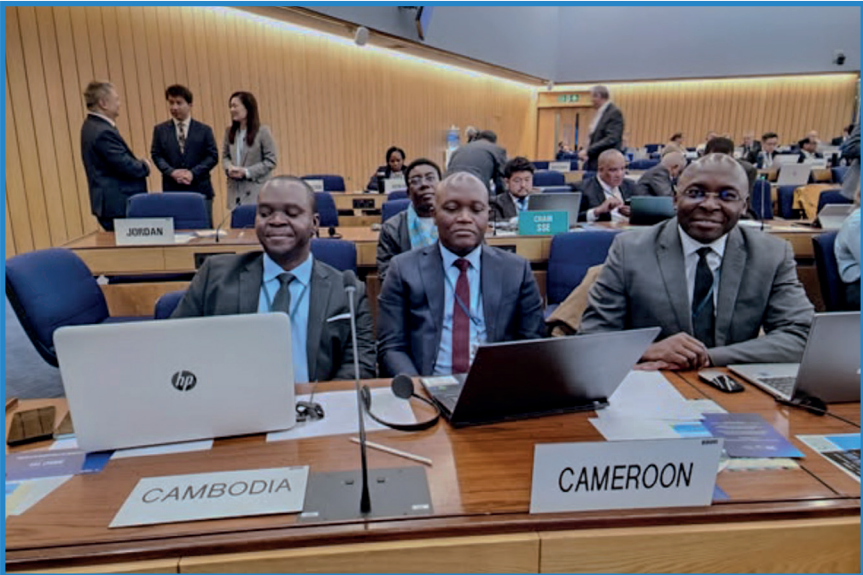
Mr Etienne Bama went on to highlight CWEIC's contribution to achieving the objectives of the African Union's Agenda 2063. The guests were treated to various demonstrations on digital learning with focus on the technological advances aimed at modernising the country's education system.

Maritime safety

CNSC attends Maritime Safety Committee meeting in London

Committee lays down regulations on international maritime transport safety

The Cameroon National Shippers' Council (CNSC) attended the 111th session of the Maritime Safety Committee of the International Maritime Organisation (IMO) held from 13 to 22 May 2026 in London, United Kingdom. CNSC's delegation comprised of Technical Adviser No. 3, Mr. Achil Rosère Yamen Tchendjo and the Director for Trade Facilitation and Transport Observatory, Mr. Fernand Douglas Nolga.



CNSC's representatives at IMO in London

alternative fuels and the adoption of new amendments to the SOLAS Convention, where key topics on the session's agenda.

The Maritime Safety Committee is a technical body of the IMO in charge of issues related to maritime navigation safety and security, and the human element in international maritime transport, particularly in the training and

The establishment of a regulatory framework for automated ships, the impact of current geopolitical tensions on international maritime transport, the evolution of regulations on the use of

certification of seafarers. in charge issues related to maritime navigation safety and security, and the human element in international maritime transport, particularly in the training and certification of seafarers.

Consultations

Women of WIMACAMEROON promote equal opportunities in the maritime and port sector

The Association, Women in Maritime Cameroon (**WIMACAMEROON**) headed by Mrs. Claire Onana Takouchop, Director for Shippers' Assistance at the Cameroon National Shippers' Council (**CNSC**), organised a conference at the CNSC Training Hall on Friday, 15 May 2026. This was in prelude to the celebration of the International Day of Women in the Maritime Sector commemorated on Monday, 18 May 2026.

The 2026 edition, themed **"From policy to practice: advancing gender equality for maritime excellence"** was discussed under two sub themes namely: The theme of the 2026 edition **"From policy to practice: advancing gender equality for maritime excellence"**, was discussed under two sub-themes, namely **"The academic curriculum in the maritime and port sector"** and **"Excellence in the practice of the profession"** during the conference. Mrs. Aïssatou Bello, Technical Adviser No. 5 at PAD, delivered the first presentation of the conference, giving insight into the real challenges of gender equality in the maritime and port sector.

Women of the maritime sector organise a conference at the CNSC



CNSC mobilises women in maritime

According to the International Maritime Organisation (**IMO**), women account for 19% of the workforce in the public sector and 16% in the private sector. For WIMACAMEROON, these figures highlight the need to promote equal opportunities and address the issue of women's access to maritime and port professions. During the session, several

women working in public and private enterprises of the maritime and port sector took turns to build on the subject. During the proceedings, CNSC's General Manager and Honorary President of WIMACAMEROON, Mr. Auguste Mbathe Penda, was heartily praised for his commitment to promoting the advancement of women in the maritime and port sector.

Consultation

Awareness-raising campaign on eye health



Consultations during the sensitisation campaign

An awareness campaign on eye diseases drew a large crowd to the Dibamba Community Centre

On Thursday, 7 May 2026, the Dibamba Trucker Accommodation Centre welcomed several truck drivers and

residents who came to take advantage of a comprehensive, free eye health awareness and screening campaign. The campaign was organised by the UBA Foundation with support from the Cameroon National Shippers' Council (**CNSC**), Cameroon Road

Transporters' Association (**GTTC**) and the Presbyterian Eye Hospital (**ACHA**) in Douala.

The goal of the campaign was to raise awareness about eye health in order to ensure greater safety for truck drivers. The goal of the campaign was to raise awareness about eye health in order to ensure greater safety for truck drivers while on the job. On hand were medical teams who conducted eye tests and screening to detect eye conditions such as cataracts and glaucoma. Close to a hundred people were consulted, with medical follow-up recommended and reading glasses offered to local populations and truck drivers who were in need.

The Head of the Dibamba Trucker Accommodation Centre, Mr. Hafis Said, expressed satisfaction at the interest shown by the population in this Initiative of UBA targeting road transporters who ply the corridor with goods to and from the hinterland as well as neighbouring countries such as Chad, CAR and Congo.