POST-PANDEMIC READINESS OF SHIPPING SECTOR FOR A RAPID RE-EMERGENCE OF THE ECONOMY, DEMAND AND TRADE GROWTH





MAIN FACTORS DRIVING THE SHORTAGE IN CONTAINER EQUIPMENT AND SHIPPING SPACE IN THE 2ND HALF OF 2020



LANDSIDE DISRUPTION

Shortage of truck drivers and warehouse capacity expanding landside turnaround of containers by 25-30 days longer



GLOBAL PORT CONGESTION

- Container yard is full with laden import/export containers and disruption in port labour supply affecting productivity of ship side operations.
- This causes berthing delays and snowball effect on vessel scheduling and bunching of vessels.



UPSURGE IN CONSUMER DEMAND

- Consumer Spending Furniture & Household Appliances
- Work From Home Goods
- And Exercise Equipment
- Medical Supplies PPE, Gloves
- E-commerce



SHIFT FROM AIR CARGO

Shift in air cargo to ocean shipping due to huge spike in air freight charges as 90% of passenger aircraft is grounded.

THE EFFECT OF GLOBAL SHORTAGE IN CONTAINER EQUIPMENT AND SHIPPING SPACE







Review And Improve Work Process To Improve Landside Container Turnaround

 Faster clearance and return of import containers to carrier



Avoid Early Pick Ups

Empty Pick Up Of Boxes Only When Goods Are Ready for Stuffing

- Container stuffing only require 1-2 hours
- Hauliers can deliver timely
- Early pick up is unique to Malaysia exporters only
- A lot of wastage and inefficiency with the current system



Do Away With Requests For Food Grade Or Grade A Containers

- Cargo is already protected by many layers of packaging material
- The standard should be clean and cargoworthy only

WHAT IMPORTERS & EXPORTERS CAN DO TO HELP EASE THE SITUATION?



WHEN WILL THE WORLD REVERT TO NORMAL?

Forecasted to stabilise by the 2nd half of 2021 as factory produced units balance the supply with demand.

Expected to recover end of 2021 or early 2022.

Depending on vaccination progress and the ability of ports in the western world clearing their congestion.

Global container freight rate will come down gradually to more realistic levels but unlikely to be at prepandemic destructive levels.

Container operators are likely to have a reset of their business operation model.

FREIGHT RATE

CONTAINER

EQUIPMENT

VESSEL

ARE SHIPPING LINES READY TO COPE WITH THE RE-EMERGENCE OF THE ECONOMY, DEMAND AND TRADE GROWTH?





CONTAINER EQUIPMENT

Due to the disruption in box turnaround, shipping lines have already mopped up all available container inventory from leasing companies and container factories – both old and new boxes



CONTAINER VESSEL

Shipping lines have already chartered in all available tonnage in order to cover for the shortfall in capacity brought about by the disruption



When box turnaround reverts to normal and port congestions are cleared, shipping lines will have excess container inventory and vessel capacity to cater for any potential upsurge in trade volumes.

Biggest worry for shipping lines is a contraction in trade volumes as consumer switch to spending on services instead of consumer goods.

SHIPPING LINES ARE ABSOLUTELY READY

THANK YOU.

