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**From:** Wally Futschik  
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we just received information that on 29.09.2003  
in the ports of germany, Belgium, Netherlands and France it is intended by all port workers  
to go on a 24 hour strike

Reason is the european plan for a so called "port package" which will regulate liberalisation in the seaports.

Unions also announced that in the forefield to this strike it also may come to pre-actions and strikes on hourly basis  
that might effect our daily business.

We would like to inform you of this ahead of time, that based on this facts it might come to delays( or worse: changed  
shipping schedules,  
or ss-lines may even cancel some ports) in the above mentioned seaports from approx. 20.09. to 29.09.2003.

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