

Press release

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Cotecna signs five year Verification of Conformity program with Niger

Cotecna, one of the world's leading trade testing, inspection, and certification companies, has signed a five year Verification of Conformity (VoC) contract with the Ministry of Industrial Development of Niger. The service will become operational within the next three months. The number of products to be subjected to VoC will increase in three stages during the first six months of operation.

Cotecna Inspection SA has provided Pre-Shipment Services (PSI) for the government of Niger since 1995 to check the quantity, quality and value of imported goods. In 2000, to support the government of Niger in its efforts to combat fraud, Cotecna increased its presence in the country to a total of nine offices. In 2003, Cotecna introduced a risk analysis module to determine the degree of risk and type of intervention required for each shipment of imported goods.

At the end of 2010, Cotecna signed a new PSI contract that includes the installation and the operation for five years of three mobile container scanners. At term, this scheme will evolve into a Destination Inspection programme.

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About Cotecna

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