Transit - Import

Standard Operating Procedure Sea freight

1- Process

Action	Entity Involved
Pre-alert - Email pre-alert with following docs to be sent to all parties involved.	Ethiopian Forwarder/ Djibouti Forwarder
Pre-alert Docs - Scanned copy of Original Bills of Lading (OBLs) - Commercial Invoice / Packing List / Certificate of Origin	
Original Document dispatch to Ethiopian Forwarder - 2 Original BLs - 1 Original Certificate of origin, - 2 original invoice / 2 original packing list - If DG goods shall need Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) / certificate of analysis	
Documents from Client ET - Ethiopian Forwarder shall approach client ET for each shipment - BL endorsement - Obtain duty exemption documents - Customs clearing agreement	Ethiopian Forwarder
Dispatch of 1 endorsed OBL to Djibouti	
Declaration to Customs Submit import customs documents to Ethiopian customs and obtain transit permit (also known as ECD – Ethiopian customs declaration) (max 3 days from complete set of docs reception) and scan/mail the transit permit to Djibouti	Ethiopian Forwarder
Collection of Delivery order from Shipping Line & proceed transit clearances upon receipt of transit permit	Djibouti Forwarder
Settlement of Port / Shipping Line Charges and co-ordinate loading with transporters	Djibouti / Ethio. Forwarder
Process exit/dispatch documents of loaded trucks and advise Client & Ethiopian Forwarder → Truck plate, name and phone of drivers should be communicated to Ethiopian Forwarder to allow them to enter site in Addis	Djibouti Forwarder
Truck Tracking / CO-ordinate Truck arrival at Customs	Ethiopian forwarder
Trucks inspection with Customs	Ethiopian forwarder

Dispatch trucks after inspection from customs to final place of	
delivery	Ethiopian forwarder
Empty Container return to Djibouti if carrier owned container (COC)	Ethiopian forwarder