

**WELCOME ADDRESS BY THE PRESIDENT, LAGOS STATE  
SHIPPER'S' ASSOCIATION: CHIEF MRS. R. C. MBAKWE AT  
THE ONE DAY AWARENESS SEMINAR ON 'ENHANCING  
INTERNATIONAL TRADE THROUGH E-SHIPPING  
TECHNOLOGY' ON 13<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2004, AT MAN'S BUILDING, 77,  
AWOLOWO ROAD, IKEJA, LAGOS.**

It is with great pleasure and high sense of responsibility that I welcome you to this all important awareness seminar on Enhancing International Trade through E-Shipping Technology.

Over time public discussions seminars and workshops have been organized on destination inspection scheme.

Permit me to note here that E-Shipping Technology is an important element of the much talked about destination inspection and therefore cannot be practiced or discussed without reference to same. Hence the need for an opportunity as this to educate and enlighten the shippers and the public on the meaning and workings

of E-Shipping Technology in preparation for the take-off of destination inspection scheme in Nigeria.

May I therefore at this junction not belabour you with much word but ask you for your meaningful and constructive participation in order to make your attendance worthwhile.

Thank you for participating.

God bless us all: Amen.