Stakeholders Acknowledge Shippers' Council As The Economic Regulator

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had threatened to begin the strike on 17th of November 2014.

Sources at the meeting told our correspondent that the MWUN president general was literally dumbfounded after he was enlightened by the Shippers' Council team on the implication of the actions of the terminal operators and shipping companies on Nigerian economy.

The union was also informed in the presence of the terminal operators that stakeholders were carried along before the directive to cut charges was given. Our source said: "Apparently he was not aware of what was going on, after they were properly enlightened, he said that he did not know this was the true picture"

"The union was made to understand that appropriate consultations with relevant stakeholders were held, before the Shippers Council Public Notice was published"

"The minister directed that the strike be suspended because reversing shipping charges does not affect maritime workers in any way, rather it brings about efficiency for them".