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Dear Rosemarie,

USE OF CBAFF ID FOR DRIVERS AND RACA PERSONNEL

The CTOs and airlines are increasingly concerned over drivers delivering export cargo to CTO premises from RACAs with only a drivers licence or other less than satisfactory evidence of security clearance. Some drivers are carrying evidence of their security clearance and a training certificate, but too many have no evidence that they comply with these requirements.

I can advise that steps are now being taken to address this matter which is seen as being a weak link in the air cargo export security chain. The CTOs will be increasing their scrutiny and inquiries at the point of acceptance to try to establish that drivers have received a security clearance and have undertaken training in accordance with the RACA's exposition. We have raised this matter with the CAA and have received an assurance that it will be covered in the RACA Audits which are due to commence in the next fortnight.

CTOs and airlines are strongly supportive of the CBAFF ID card because we know that a system is in place to only issue it when the person concerned has met the security clearance and the training requirements.

I am writing to advise you of the concerns that exist and the measures that are underway to address this matter. Would you please encourage your members and through them the drivers they employ (company or contract) to either have proof of security clearance and training when delivering cargo or better still possess a CBAFF ID card which CTOs and airlines accept will be adequate proof of requirements being met.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Yours sincerely



John Beckett
Exec Director