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**Open Letter to the Container / Chassis Leasing and
International Container Transportation Community**

We at the IICL, share the concerns about the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic that is currently affecting all of us, both personally and professionally.

International transportation supply chains succeed on efficient inter-connectability and cargo flows. When disruption happens such as this outbreak, the impact will be felt on human, social and economic levels. Like each of you, we understand that we share a responsibility to protect our families, communities and the flow of essential commodities.

We would like to reassure you that, despite the current global challenges, IICL member companies have taken measures to continue providing their services, including employees working from decentralized home locations, when necessary. The Institute's staff is currently teleworking but fully operational and available to provide services, where permitted and respond to any questions you might have.

We have posted, on the IICL website, updates for the IICL education, certification and publication/tools services including:

- Extension of the container and chassis inspector [certification proctored exams](#) availability through 30 June 2020, recognizing that individual test centers may be periodically closed during this timeframe resulting from local COVID-19 restrictions.
- IICL manuals and tools shipments may experience [delays](#) due to scheduling restrictions.
- Online courses including [container examination preparation](#) and Convention for Safe Container ([CSC](#)) remain accessible on demand.
- IICL face-to-face courses for [dry-van](#) containers, [refrigerated](#) containers, and [chassis](#) have been suspended until such time as it is safe to again conduct the courses.

We would like to express our deepest gratitude to all people around the world who serve those in need and wish all of you good health and a speedy return to normal.

Respectfully,
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