

PORT OF PORT OF SPAIN

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THE FIXED CONTAINER SCANNER AT THE PORT OF PORT OF SPAIN IS FULLY OPERATIONAL



Container Entering PPOS Scanner on Friday 02nd December, 2022

The Port of Port of Spain (PPOS) is the only seaport in Trinidad and Tobago with a fully operational fixed container scanner. This fixed scanner, a \$25M Nuctech Linear Accelerator X-ray Scanner and Detection System, was acquired via grant funding from the People's Republic of China and commissioned on September 12, 2014.

This scanner is owned and maintained by PPOS, to facilitate inspection of containerized cargo by the Customs & Excise Division.

In accordance with the laws of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, the Customs and Excise Division is the stipulated entity to conduct inspections of commercial cargo and personal goods passing through any seaport. Containers that are delivered directly to their consignees' premises typically require an onsite inspection by a Customs and Excise official. The PPOS is not responsible for inspecting containers or cargo coming into its facilities.

The PPOS continues to fulfill its mandate to provide support for the Customs & Excise Division through the maintenance and upkeep of the Fixed Scanner Facility and the provision of a leased space for the Division to conduct its inspections/operations.