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**PART 1: Review Comments**

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<p><b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments</p> <p>1. <b>Is the manuscript important for scientific community?</b> (Please write few sentences on this manuscript)</p> <p>2. <b>Is the title of the article suitable?</b> (If not please suggest an alternative title)</p> <p>3. <b>Is the abstract of the article comprehensive?</b></p> <p>4. <b>Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?</b></p> <p>5. <b>Do you think the manuscript is scientifically correct?</b></p> <p>6. <b>Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestion of additional references, please mention in the review form.</b></p> <p><b>(Apart from above mentioned 6 points, reviewers are free to provide additional suggestions/comments)</b></p>	<p>Yes</p> <p><b>It is somehow difficult to suggest as the author intertwined the objectives into different areas. However, Effect of Demmorage Levy on the Performance of Douala seaport</b></p> <p>Yes</p> <p>No</p> <p>Averagely</p>	
<p><b>Minor</b> REVISION comments</p> <p>1. <b>Is language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</b></p>	<p>It needs serious professional editorial re-work</p>	
<p><b>Optional/General</b> comments</p>	<p>Abstract Data collected was analyzed using the table, pier charts and the descriptive approach. It better to say the following descriptive statistics like table, pie charts. By the way what were they used to analyse. For example pie chart was used to----</p> <p>Pie chart not pier PAD- means what? I am personally not comfortable with the use of protagonist in this context. Are you writing a novel? These are actors in port operations! Who are the other protagonists? SGS? CAMCIS? RTC ?You will need to write in full before you reference with abbreviations subsequently.</p> <p>- I guess you mean imported item here : <i>"Increase final cost on the importers during import which will in turn affect the general prices of this products in the country"</i></p> <p>the container terminal (RTC)?</p> <p>In your abstract, you stated this as your aim/objective "This study aims to investigate the main causes of increasing demurrage at the Douala container terminal and recommend strategies to reduce the increasing demurrage at the port (RTC Douala)" In the text "1. To demonstrate how the cost of demurrage discourages importation at the Douala port.2. To investigate the strategies implemented by the different protagonists to reduce the cost of Demurrage at the Douala Port. How can the so called protagonists cause the problems and they devise strategies to reduce them?"</p>	

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	<p>table is presented below Chart 1. Should be Table 1 The Chart above shows---where is chart?</p> <p><b>Methodology</b> <b>Why did you decide to pick 700? Why random selection. You have to justify reasons for everything you do in this section.</b> <i>Data sources</i> are Questionnaires: What is the difference between research instrument and sources of data? What type of sampling technique did you use to get appropriate to “protagonists?” You will need to get a guide on methodology please</p> <p>Under Result <b>TOTAL RESPONCES “responses”</b> The table illustrates....always cite the Tables as Table 1...Table 2 “Douala port from 2018 to 2022, which has been a constant increase in demurrage at the terminal” You mean this result emanated from questionnaire or responses from respondents? You seem to have two Figures but only referenced 1.</p> <p><i>Put Table 2 in proper shape. Do you also mean this came from responses?</i> TC means Total Container? Write in full what it means first and then put in bracket for abbreviation and subsequent use <i>In 2021, there was an increase in all instances; this company declared 560 750 containers. Finally, in 2022, 615 declarations were made, with 808 containers delivered and 405 containers on demurrage before delivery.</i> How and where are the declared data showing that magnitude?</p> <p>. Table 4 shows the different protagonist and their level of demurrage cost in terms of percentage at the Douala port. What are the parameters you used to arrive at Table 4? You need to show it and possibly reflect this in your methodology too perhaps you collected ordinal data from respondents. What??? Your conclusion and recommendations are not in line with your objectives. Do we have findings indicating holiday is responsible for demurrage? Did you prove the causes of demurrage was as a result of activities of “protagonists” You seem to be writing out of emotion and not from research evidence. You need to rework and get the proper style of the journal. Check your references again and make proper use of nouns for name of persons. In all you need to give professional editor to work on your sentences</p>	
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**PART 2:**

	Reviewer’s comment	Author’s comment <i>(if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i>
Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	

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