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Durban Windbound

Most operations at the Durban Container Terminal have yet again been suspended because of strong winds; the ongoing queues of vehicles waiting to collect containers for inland delivery are worsening. At present there are seven ships awaiting berths at the outer anchorage and yesterday the terminal handled only 50% of its targeted workload.

The strong winds currently being experienced in Durban are expected to strengthen during the day before moderating overnight. At this time there is no indication when normal operations may be resumed.

Importers awaiting cargo via Durban should factor an additional possible delay of up to 48 hours into their estimated time of delivery calculations. Switching from road to rail does not appear to be an option: there are about 1200 import containers (\pm 20 trains) currently waiting to be railed.

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