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To: [Insert Name of Shipping Line/Carrier/Agent]

Date: [Insert Date]

Subject: Letter of Undertaking for Cargo Release Without Production of Original Bill of Lading

Vessel: [Insert Vessel Name]

Voyage: [Insert Voyage Number]

Cargo Description: [Insert Description of Goods]

Bill of Lading Number: [Insert B/L Number]

Container Number(s): [Insert Container Numbers]

Dear Sirs,

The above cargo was shipped on the above vessel by [Insert Name of Shipper] and consigned to [Insert Name of Consignee] for delivery at the port of [Insert Port of Discharge]. However, the original bills of lading have not yet arrived or are currently unavailable.

We, [Insert Name of Requesting Party], hereby request you to deliver the said cargo to [Insert Name of Party to whom cargo should be delivered] without production of the original bills of lading.

In consideration of your complying with our above request, we hereby agree as follows:

1. To indemnify you, your servants, and your agents and to hold all of you harmless in respect of any liability, loss, damage, or expense of whatsoever nature which you may sustain by reason of delivering the cargo in accordance with our request.
2. In the event of any proceedings being commenced against you or any of your servants or agents in connection with the delivery of the cargo as aforesaid, to provide you or them on demand with sufficient funds to defend the same.
3. If the vessel or any other vessel or property in the same or associated ownership, management, or control should be arrested or detained, or if the arrest or detention thereof should be threatened for any claim in connection with the delivery of the goods as aforesaid, to provide on demand such bail or other security as may be required to prevent such arrest or detention or to secure the release of such vessel or property.
4. As soon as the original bills of lading for the above cargo shall have come into our possession, to deliver the same to you, whereupon our liability hereunder shall cease.
5. The liability of each and every person under this indemnity shall be joint and several and shall not be conditional upon your proceeding first against any person, whether or not such person is party to or liable under this indemnity.

This indemnity shall be governed by and construed in accordance with [Insert Jurisdiction/Law] law and each and every person liable hereunder at your request shall submit to the jurisdiction of the [Insert Court Name] Courts.

Yours faithfully,

For and on behalf of

[Insert Company Name of Requesting Party]

[Authorized Signature]

[Name and Title]

Counter-signed by Bank (If required):

[Bank Stamp and Signature]