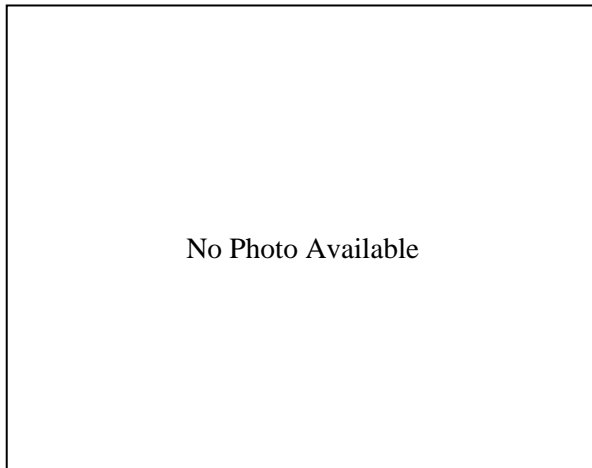


Best Practice: Safety & Security Awareness



Category:	Training and Procedures
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Description: The Port of Paramaribo has a strong sense of safety and security awareness. This is confirmed by its long-range strategy plan for rehabilitation of the port and the incorporation of safety and security initiatives into the Port Facility Security Plan.

Discussion: Preparations are underway to improve capabilities within the Port of Paramaribo. This includes: dredging of the channel to accommodate larger ships; working to improve service between Guyana and French Guiana; and financing an ambitious rehabilitation and modernization project of the port terminals. Safety and security awareness initiatives are an integral part of the port improvements and should be included with all rehabilitation and modernization project of the port terminals.

Potential Down-side: Port improvements projects that do not include implementation of safety and security awareness initiatives during construction could compromise port security.

Conclusion: Safety and security awareness initiatives are an integral part of port improvement projects.

Cost: The costs for implementing these initiatives are unknown.