



**U.S. Customs and
Border Protection**

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DIP Shipping
1335 NW 98th Ct. #9
Miami, Fl. 33172

Dear Ms. Dip,

On behalf of US Customs and Border Protection, I would like to thank you and your staff for the proactive measures you have taken to identify, detect, disrupt and deter weapons smuggling through the Miami Seaport.

Between October 1st 2012 and December 30th 2012, a total of seven weapons, twelve ammunition magazines and six hundred eighty-four bullets have been seized as a result of your company's utilization of X-ray technology. The level of cooperation between DIP Shipping and US Customs and Border Protection serves as a model for private-public sector partnerships and illustrates the importance of collaborative efforts to address vulnerabilities.

US Customs and Border Protection is one of the Department of Homeland Security's largest and most complex components, with a priority mission of keeping terrorists and their weapons out of the U.S. It also has a responsibility for securing the border and facilitating lawful international trade and travel while enforcing hundreds of U.S. laws and regulations, including immigration and drug laws. US Customs and Border Protection recognizes that strong partnerships such as ours play a paramount role in our ability to efficiently and effectively accomplish our mission.

Once again, I would like to thank you and DIP Shipping for your ongoing partnership and collaborative efforts in protecting our nation. If we can be of any further assistance, please contact Assistant Port Director Bill Olejasz 305-536-4986.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Diane J. Sabatino". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "D".

Diane J. Sabatino
Port Director
Miami Seaport