

# **THE POST**

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## **Sugar Exports to the European Union**

**RSZ - press release**

RAILWAY Systems of Zambia Ltd in cooperation with Zambia Sugar and Freightmax Logistics last month completed a record consignment of 45,000 metric tons sugar exports to the European Union from Mazabuka via the port of Durban.

This consignment was loaded within 5 months and was the biggest ever to be transported by rail from Zambia since the inception of RSZ. Given this commendable performance it is widely and confidently expected that increased volumes of sugar for the export market will now be transported by rail saving the Government colossal sums of revenue in annual road rehabilitation and maintenance costs. RSZ is therefore confident that increase volumes of bulk cargo can increasingly move from road to rail as long as a level playing field is created between road and rail through enforcement of appropriate policies.

We are also grateful for the maximum cooperation rendered to us by Barloworld Logistics as the loading point. Salutations also go to Zambia Sugar for their confidence and business support to RSZ.

RSZ further wishes to commend its workforce for working round the clock to make the exercise a success.

The support from our partners in the sister railways was also timely and critical to the project.

Through this project, RSZ wishes to remind all stakeholders its total commitment in offering Rail Transport solutions for the social economic development of Zambia and the sub region in line with its Vision and Mission statements.