



Philippines sends 69 containers of mislabelled waste back to Canada

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The Philippines sent 69 shipping containers believed to contain mislabeled waste back to Canada on Thursday night (May 30). It's the latest southeast Asian nation to reject garbage from developed countries.

1. Sixty-nine containers of waste _____
2. Destination: _____
3. More than a hundred shipping containers of Canadian trash _____
- 4-1. But upon arrival, _____
- 4-2. that had been _____
- 5-1. A Philippine court in 2016 _____
- 5-2. prompting a long-running row _____
6. Last month, Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte _____
7. Canada said the waste was a private commercial transaction _____

GREENPEACE PHILIPPINES DIRECTOR, LEA GUERRERO, SAYING:

"It is a deplorable practice that a lot of countries, especially in the global North, do to get rid of the waste that they cannot process in their own countries. So wherever waste trade happens, it impinges on human rights of the people who accept the waste"

- 8-1. The cargo ship _____
- 8-2. before making the almost three-week journey to Vancouver _____

8-3. which the Philippines says _____

9. The country has become the latest southeast Asian to take issue with developed nations _____

10. Earlier this week Malaysia sent back around 3,000 tons of plastic waste _____

[Vocabulary]

☐ **load:** to put a load onto or into something such as a vehicle or container

- *Down at the docks, ships were loading and unloading.* ☐ **destination:** the place where someone or something is going
- *a popular vacation destination*

☐ **shipping container:** a large, strong container, usually of metal, used to store goods in during shipment; Standardized re-sealable transportation box for unitized freight handling with standardized equipment.

☐ **trash:** waste material such as paper, plastic bags, used containers, etc. *The British word is rubbish*

- *The average American family produces three pounds of trash a day.*

☐ **upon one's arrival:** the minute he (she, it, etc.) arrives; It just means that the speaker considers the actions close enough to count as "at the same time" (for whatever purpose the speaker has in mind).

☐ **municipal:** belonging

- *The municipal taxes were high compared to the state taxes.*

☐ **municipal waste:** =municipal solid waste; Locally collected garbage, includes residential, commercial, and institutional wastes; commonly known as trash or garbage in the United States and rubbish in Britain, is a waste type consisting of everyday items that are discarded by the public

☐ **wrongly:** in an incorrect manner; without justice or fairness

- *People who were wrongly accused were released.*

☐ **label:** to put a label on an object; to use a word or phrase to describe someone or something, especially one that is not completely fair or true

☐ **declare:** to announce officially that something is true or happening

- *America declared itself free from England over 200 years ago.*

☐ **prompt:** to cause something to happen or be done

- *This revelation prompted the mayor's resignation.*

☐ **long-running:** having continued for a long time

- *one of the longest-running plays on Broadway*

☐ **row:** a serious disagreement about an issue between people, organizations, or countries; noisy argument

- *I had a row with my girlfriend last night.*

☐ **test:** to examine something to find out if it is satisfactory, or if it has a particular quality

☐ **diplomacy:** the conduct of the relations of one state with another by peaceful means

- *We will act with peaceful diplomacy whenever possible, with force when necessary.*

☐ **diplomatic ties:** diplomatic relations

☐ **Rodrigo Duterte:** born March 28, 1945), is a Filipino politician who is the 16th and current President of the Philippines. He is the chair of the ruling PDP–Laban party. Taking office at 71 years old in June 2016, Duterte is the oldest person to assume the Philippine presidency.

☐ **go to war:** to begin to engage in war with another

- *The two countries went to war over the boundary dispute.*

☐ **transaction:** the action or process of buying or selling something

- *Please select from the menu the type of transaction you would like to make.*

☐ **commercial transaction:** deal

☐ **deplorable:** extremely bad and shocking

- *deplorable behavior*
- *deplorable living conditions*

☐ **practice:** a way of doing something, especially as a result of habit, custom, or tradition

- *We should review the existing practice to get through this situation.*

☐ **process:** to treat a substance with chemicals or machines in order to make something

- *the development of a new facility for processing nuclear fuel*

☐ **waste trade:** the international trade of waste between countries for further treatment, disposal, or recycling

☐ **impinge:** to have an effect on something, especially in a negative way

- *This impinges on my rights as an individual.*

☐ **cargo:** things that are being sent by ship, airplane, train, or truck

- *The truck's cargo was two tons of wheat.*

☐ **cargo ship:** a ship designed to carry cargo

☐ **stopover:** a stop during a trip, especially during a flight; stopover is also applied to ships and seaports

- *There is a stopover to change planes in Chicago.*

☐ **Vancouver:** a port city in southwestern British Columbia on an arm of the Pacific Ocean opposite Vancouver Island; Canada's chief Pacific port and third largest city

☐ **shipping cost:** shipping expense

☐ **shoulder:** to deal with or accept something difficult

- *The government cannot ask the public to shoulder the extra cost.*

☐ **take issue with:** to strongly disagree with someone or something or take offense at something.

- *We take issue with your claim that we didn't inform you of the problem.*

☐ **dumping ground:** a place used for getting rid of things that are no longer wanted

- *Most people do not want this country to become a dumping ground for toxic waste.*