

Container kills three at Tin Can Island

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LAGOS—TRAGEDY struck at the Tin Can Island Container Terminal Ltd(TICT) when a container fell and killed a freight forwarder and two motor boys.

An eyewitness account said the incident occurred when a forklift was attempting to place a container on a truck inside the terminal and in the process, one of the hooks of the forklift snapped and the container fell and

killed the freight forwarder and the motor boys who were trying to give direction to the forklift driver.

Consequently, business activities have been paralysed at the terminal as the agents suspended business activities in sympathy with the victims. Meanwhile operators are angry with the Tin Can Island Container Terminal Limited for using obsolete equipment.

Specifically, the forklift is said to have aged and could

no longer lift containers as expected. As at the time of filling in this report, the forklift and the container were still at the scene of the incident.

Reacting to the incident, Mr. Oladipo Bolade Lawrence, Public Relations Officer of the Association of Nigerian Licensed Customs Agents (ANLCA) Tin Can Island Chapter, said "We have calmed down our people. This is to ensure that the crisis is brought under control."