

# HIJACK ALERT

## Prepare your drivers

The loss of vehicles and cargo is always bad news for operators... but worse can be the loss of life....

**BE ALERT AT ALL TIMES, PREVENTION IS BETTER THAN CURE**

### Tips to avoid hijacking

- Have emergency numbers on hand at all times.
- Know your vehicle's model, colour, registration and identification numbers... so you can report immediately.
- Do not sleep/stop in isolated areas.
- Approach robots/stop streets slowly – keep moving – avoid being stationary too long.
- Do not discuss contents of your load, your route schedule or where you are going to stop next.
- Do not stop if you think you are followed – phone your company or head for nearest police station or busy area.
- A sudden bumper bashing may be a way to get you out your vehicle.
- Never pick up hitchhikers.
- Do not stop to help out breakdowns.
- Drive with doors locked and windows slightly open.
- Regular maintenance will reduce risk of breakdowns when you will be vulnerable.



### IF HIJACKED THE FOLLOWING COULD SAVE YOUR LIFE

- Don't argue or resist. Be polite.
- Make no sudden movements.
- Hand over personal items.
- Do as you are told – immediately.
- Try to remember any detail about hijackers – age, clothing, scars, hair etc to assist later with identification.
- Remember exactly where you were hijacked and in which direction hijackers headed.
- If you have time, activate your vehicle-tracking device. Do not attempt this if you will be seen.