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Kingston, Jamaica, December 1st, 2015 - SOGET, a world leader in Port Community Systems (PCS) is pleased to announce that it has signed a contract with the Port Authority of Jamaica (PAJ) along with Bureau Veritas BIVAC to implement S)ONE PCS. This project represents the largest PCS in the Americas covering 8 seaports and airports and will reinforce Jamaica’s status as a major hub in the Caribbean. Jamaica thus becomes the 8th country to opt for SOGET’s PCS know-how.

Jamaica is a reference at the crossroad of world maritime trade flows, a leader for transshipment in the Caribbean, notably thanks to the Port of Kingston which ranks 7th in the top 20 of Latin American and Caribbean ports1 with 1.63 Million TEU handled in 2014. The expansion of the Panama Canal in April 2016 is key for Jamaica’s logistics hub, and will be a benefit to Jamaican operators who are preparing to transition to this paradigm shift in the global trade.

Following an international request for proposal issued by PAJ, SOGET has been selected for the quality of its global track record, its implementation methodology as well as its nextgen PCS solution. Thus Kingston will enter the league of world class leading ports, by implementing S)ONE PCS in the context of fierce port and maritime competition.

Jamaica will benefit from state of the art PCS technology provided by SOGET. S)ONE is the nextgen Port Community System developed by SOGET to respond to the needs of global operators and to comply with new international regulations and standards. In Jamaica, S)ONE will provide optimization, collaboration and automation of nationwide trade logistics processes through a single submission of data. S)ONE PCS is a neutral and open electronic collaborative platform enabling intelligent and secure exchange of information between public and private stakeholders in order to improve the competitive position of the sea and air port’s communities.

“SOGET’s S)ONE PCS implementation will be a game changer for Jamaica, bringing transparency and fluidity to the supply chain. It will enable Jamaica to increase its logistics performance, enhance its ranking in the World Bank LPI and Doing Business Trading Across Borders and provide a strong value proposition to attract global operators. S)ONE PCS will be also a key pillar of the WTO TFA implementation in Jamaica”, stated Gordon Shirley, Chairman and CEO of PAJ.

“The contract with PAJ is also a major step forward for SOGET that strengthens our position in Latin America and the Caribbean. We are honored to have been selected by PAJ. The Port of Kingston is the 3rd largest container port in the Caribbean. Project implementation partners will include CEI.BA Guadeloupe, Microsoft, Caribbean Maritime Institute and ABSL. The project is also very innovative since S)ONE PCS will be hosted on Microsoft Azure Cloud providing state of the art secure and scalable environment”, said Pascal Ollivier, Director of Corporate Development, SOGET.

About SOGET

SOGET is a world leader in Port Community Systems (PCS) with more than 50 references on 4 continents. In 2015 SOGET launched S)ONE nextgen PCS. S)ONE is a single window managing trade logistics processes between public and private stakeholders.

SOGET provides turnkey solutions combining technological excellence and track record implementation methodology bringing fluidity in port and airport communities.

Headquartered in Le Havre since 1983, SOGET is a founding member of the International Port Community Systems Association (IPCSA) and the SEFACIL Foundation.

SOGET is an expert to many international organizations.

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1. Source: ECLAC (Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, United Nations),
What is S)ONE PCS?

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About CEI.BA Guadeloupe
CEI.BA SA operates since 2002 SOGET Port Community System in Guadeloupe ports and airport. In 2006, CEI.BA launched the CLOVIS initiative (Caribbean Laboratory for Open and Value added Information Systems) to promote SOGET PCS in the Caribbean. CLOVIS initiative was co-financed by the European Union through the INTERREG program. CEI.BA will participate in S)ONE implementation in Jamaica.
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About Microsoft
“Microsoft is pleased to be a part of this project, especially in being able to contribute with key partners to develop industry solutions that will help our mutual customers achieve more.” mentioned George Gobin, Country Manager Microsoft Jamaica.
SOGET is a Microsoft global partner in port and customs market segment. This partnership is deployed in the framework of the development of nextgen Port Community System S)ONE. In 2011, SOGET achieved a Gold ISV Competency in the Microsoft Partner Network, as recognition of high level competency and expertise demonstrated by SOGET in publishing Microsoft technologies software. PAJ’s PCS will be implemented with Microsoft Azure Cloud solution.
For more information: www.microsoft.com

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