**Articles (cases) for LOG 115**

Session 2:

**Case #1: Logistics security scrutinised at DHL & Reliance conference:**

<http://www.logisticshandling.com/articles/2010/06/28/1012-logistics-security-scrutinised-at-dhl-reliance>

Questions:

1. Please list and categorize the security risks and hazards mentioned in the article.
2. Select two of the crime control ideas or efforts mentioned and explain why you think they are good ideas.

Session 3:

**Case #2: BMW assessing damage to cars after train derails at plant, official says:**

<http://autonews.gasgoo.com/global-news/us-bmw-assessing-damage-to-cars-after-train-derai-130202.shtml>

Questions:

1. Although this is a short news brief, please suggest what short term and long term damage this accident might have had on BMW’s supply chain and ability to meet customer demand.
2. Would there have been ways for BMW to avoid this type of accident, or is it outside the control of the car manufacturer?
3. How do you think BMW could minimize the negative effects of these types of accidents?

Session 4:

Case #3: CBP Kicks Fake NFL, NBA, MLB Jerseys Out for Season:

<http://cbp.gov/archived/xp/cgov/newsroom/news_releases/archives/2010_news_releases/october_2010/10202010_7.xml.html>

Questions:

1. This briefing by the CBP discusses seizures of counterfeit clothing. Do a web search and list other articles (weapons, drugs, etc.) that the CBP have been confiscating over the past few years.
2. Why would the illegal importation and sale of knock-offs constitute a security risk?

Session 5:

**Case #4: Green Supply Chain Management Requires Second-Tier Suppliers to Improve Environmental Performance & Transparency**

<http://www.ipe.org.cn/Upload/Case-Study-YKK-Snap-Fasteners-EN.pdf>

Questions:

1. Write one paragraph describing the problem in this case and solutions offered.
2. Although this case describes environmental challenges, please visualize and describe a scenario with an upstream (second or third tier) supplier and a security risk or problem.
3. What can companies do to guard themselves against “surprises” from their suppliers?

Session 6:

**Case #5: Advantages/Disadvantages, Modes of Transport:**

<http://www.nefab.com/Modes_of_transport_Packaging_Information.aspx>

Questions:

1. After reading through the listing provided by NEFAB, do some additional research and come up with a brief analysis of security risks pertaining to the various modes of transportation. Which modes seem less risky? Which factors do you have to take into account to be able to compare riskiness or exposure?

Session 7:

**Case #6: Truck Hijacking Prevention FactSheet:**

<http://www.tdi.texas.gov/pubs/videoresource/fsprotecttrucks.pdf>

Questions:

1. Why are trucks and their loads attractive targets for criminals?
2. Are there other mitigation steps or technologies that the truck or cargo owners can implement to make it harder to hijack and steal trucks?
3. Do some research and find out the most dangerous states or routes in the U.S. for truck hijackings and thefts.

Session 8:

**Case #7: Logistics Case Study: Micro Tablets:**

<http://www.tacomacc.edu/logisticsresources/> (scroll down and select Micro Tablets case)

Questions:

Answer the seven questions at the end of the case.

Session 9:

**Case #8: Safeguarding Intellectual Property and Addressing Corruption in the Global Supply Chain:**

<http://www.conference-board.org/press/pressdetail.cfm?pressid=4683>

Questions:

1. Why are intellectual property rights violations such a serious problem for global commerce and supply chain management?
2. Why is corruption a problem for global commerce and supply chain management?

Session 10:

**Case #9: Technology CBP Uses for Enforcement - Vehicle and Cargo Inspection System (VACIS):**

<https://help.cbp.gov/app/answers/detail/a_id/317/~/technology-cbp-uses-for-enforcement---vehicle-and-cargo-inspection-system>

Questions:

1. Do some research and explain in more detail what VACIS is and the purposes of this technology.
2. Are the public investments in security and anti-terrorism technology worth it?

Session 11 (Finals’ week):

**Case #10: The Global Supply Chain: Our Economy, Security and Health Depends on It:**

<http://www.huffingtonpost.com/stanley-m-bergman/global-supply-chain_b_2561493.html>

Questions:

1. What connection do you see between global environmental degradation and supply chain security?
2. How can the mentioned five "P's" of powerful weather, pandemic, political instability, port closures, and primary sourcing affect the security of the supply chain?