

# Trade and Development Commission

The geography of trade and supply chain reconfiguration:  
Implications for trade, global value chains and maritime transport

Introduction

23 November 2022

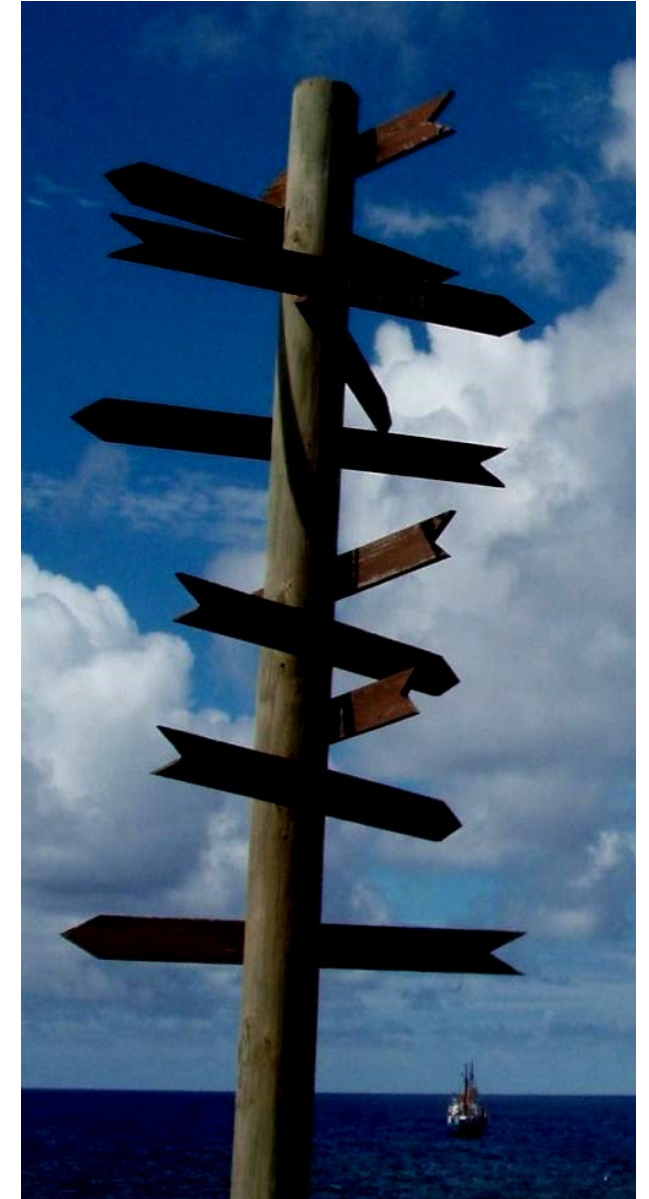
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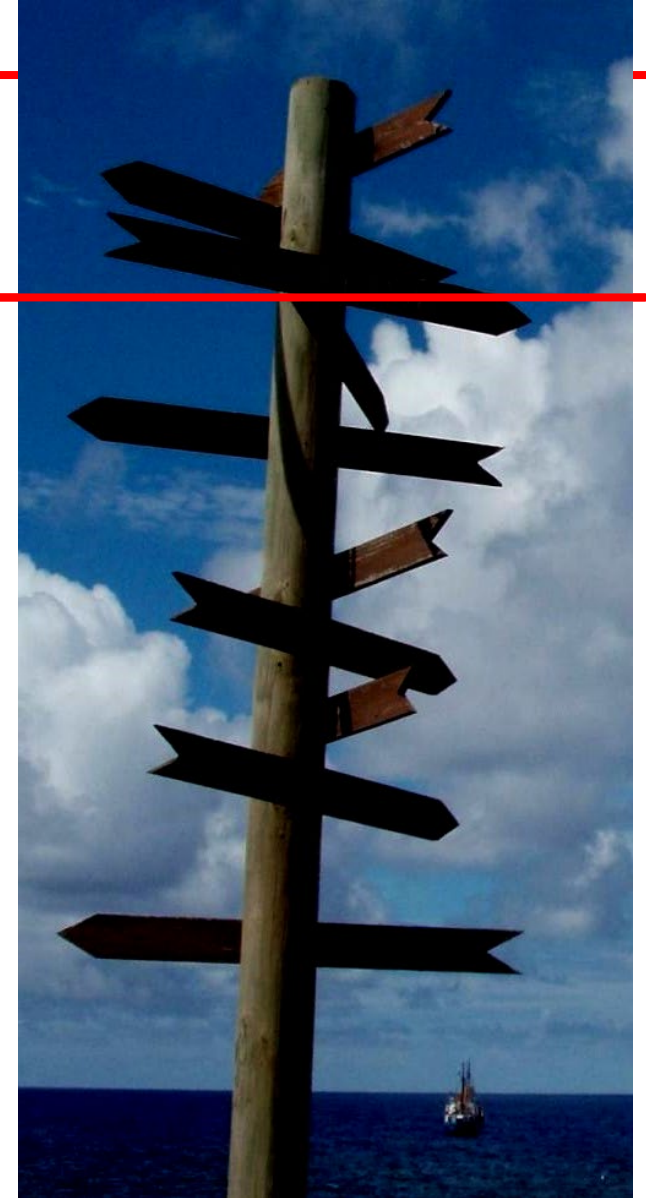


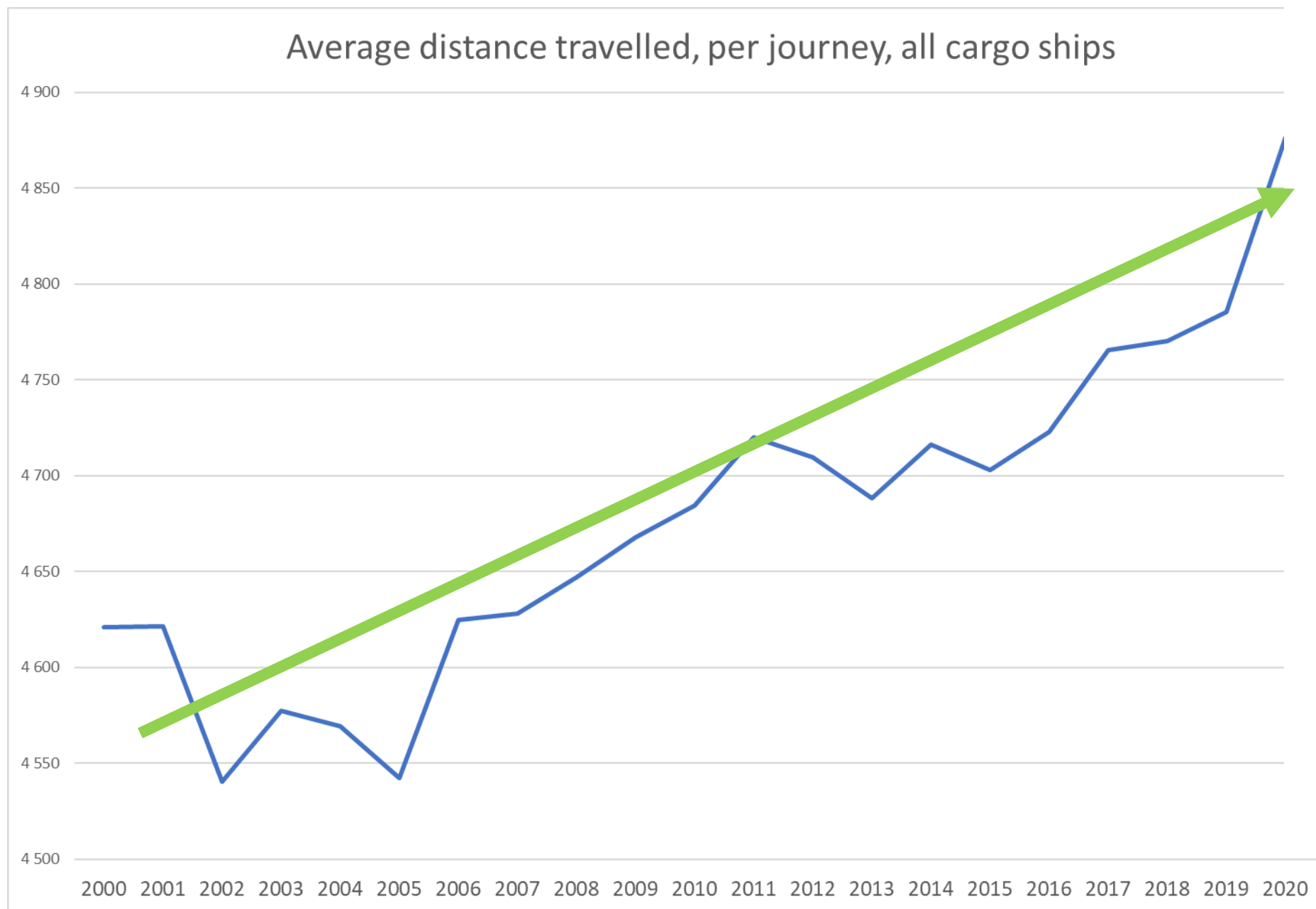
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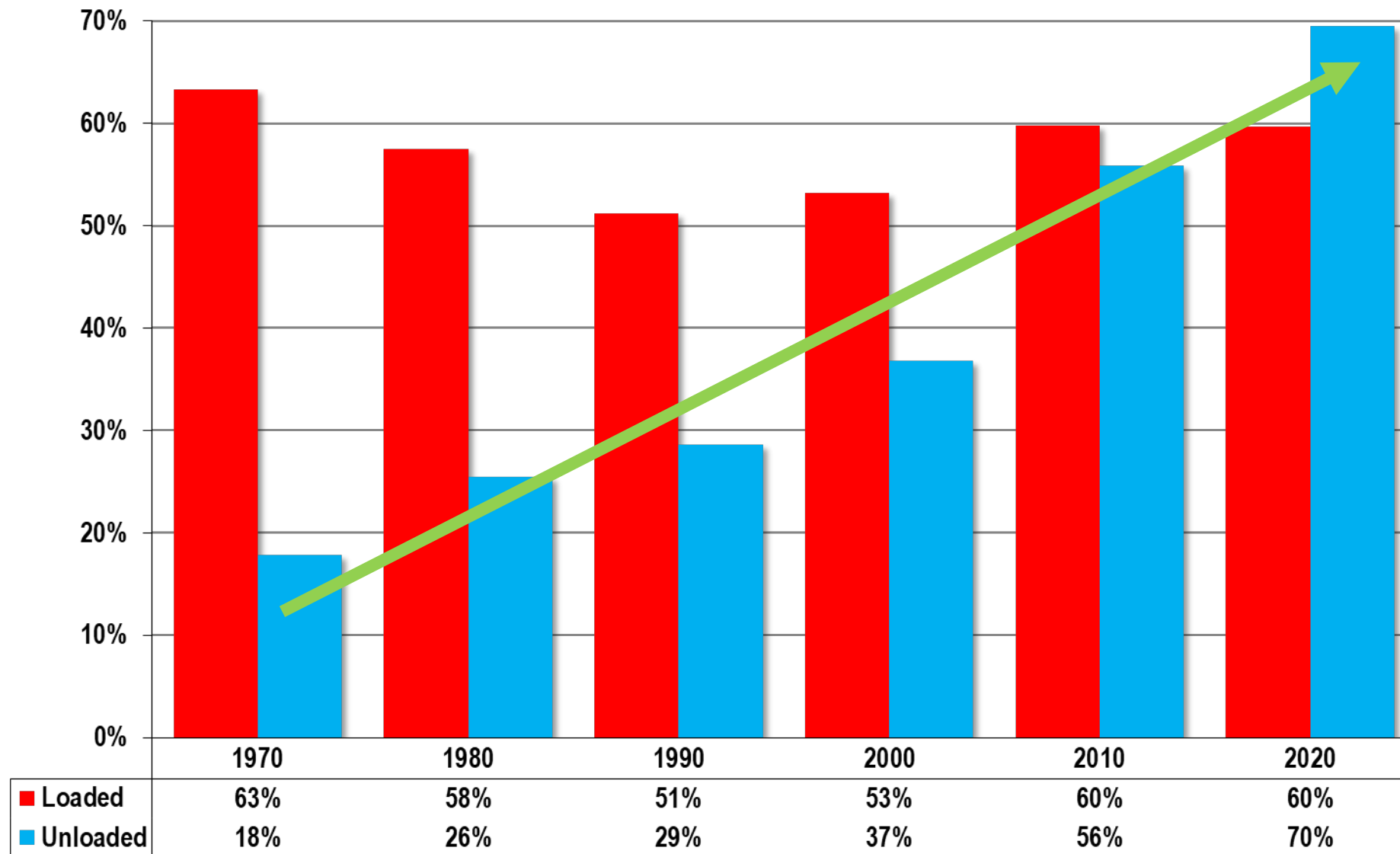
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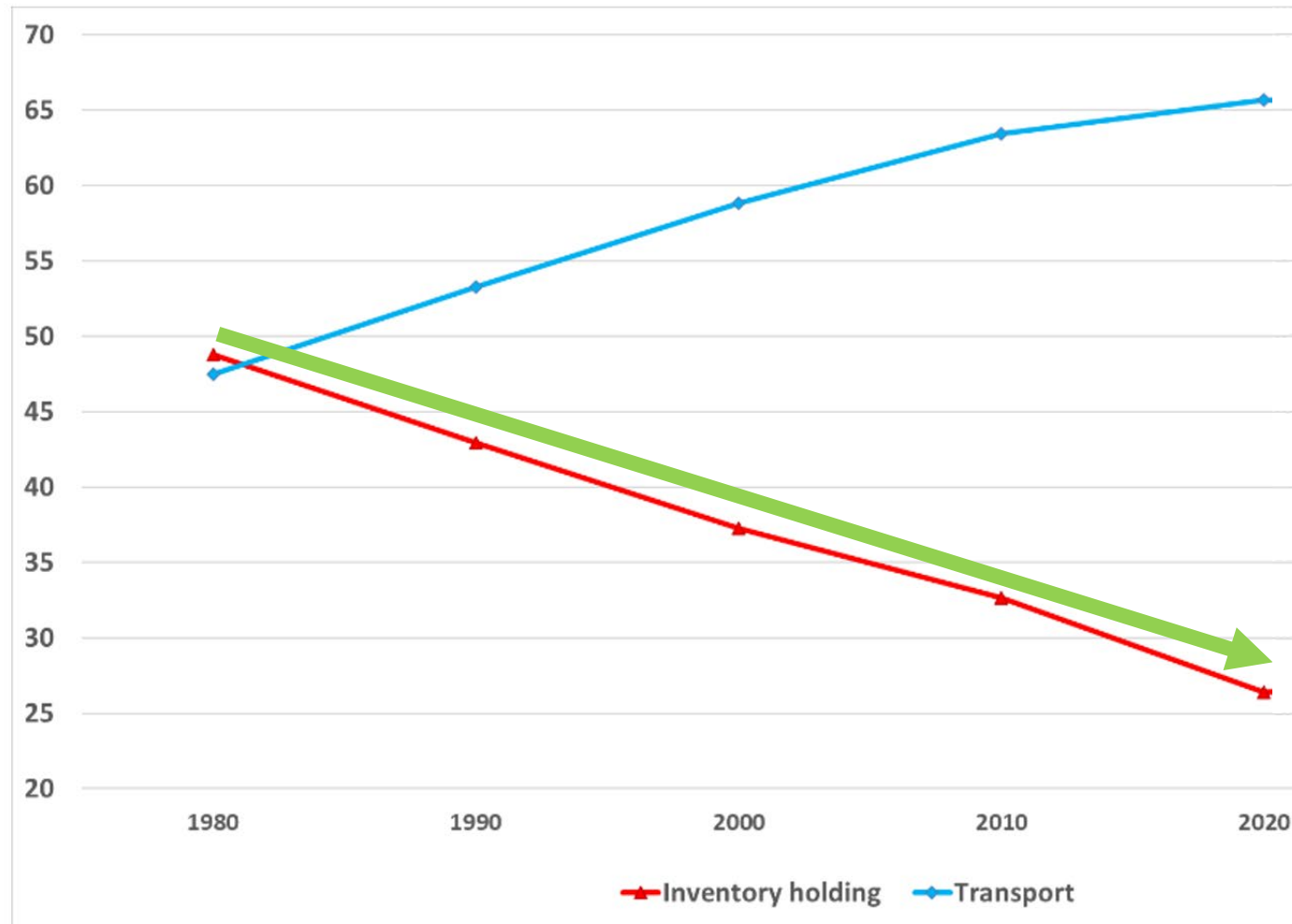
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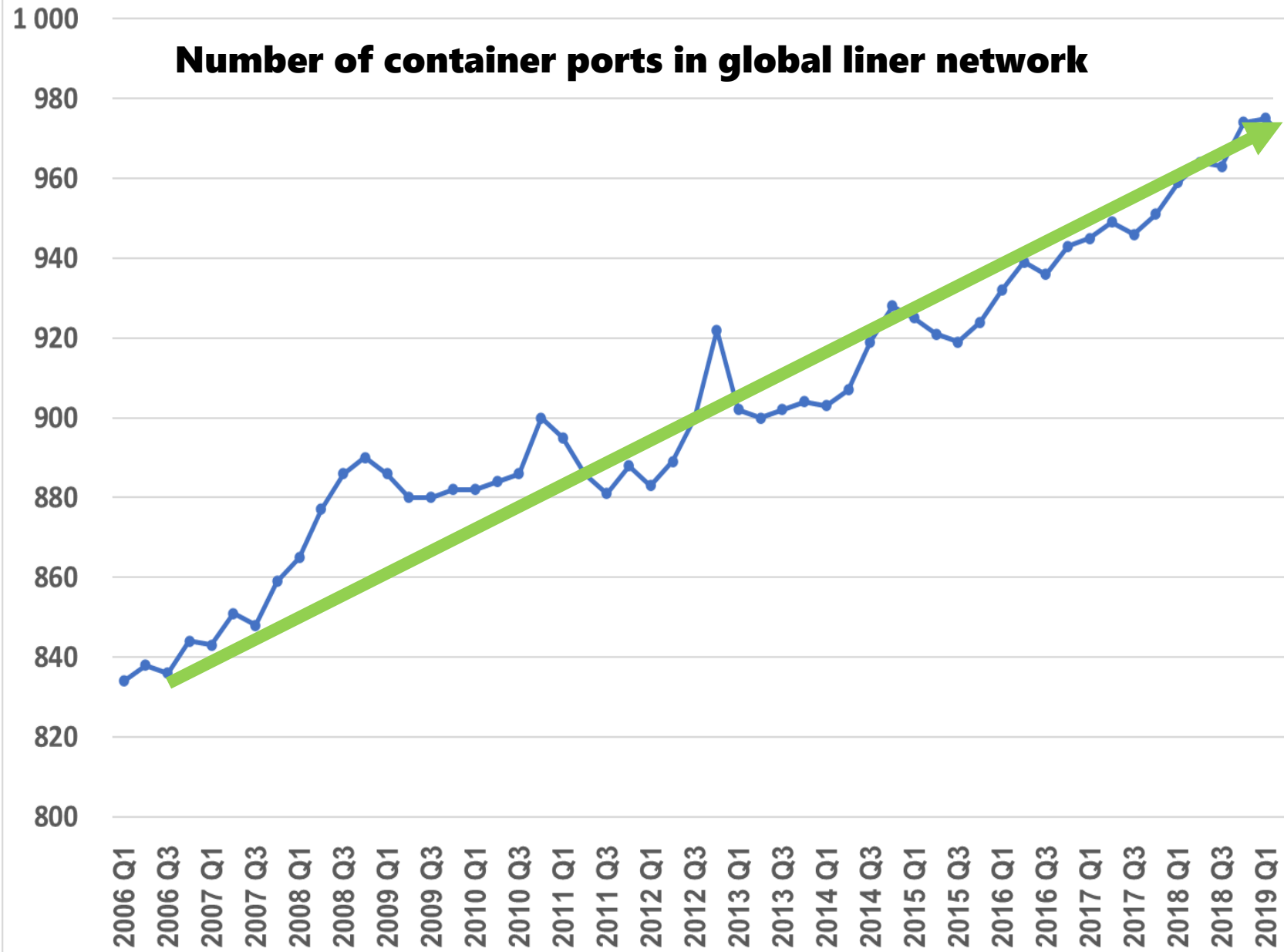
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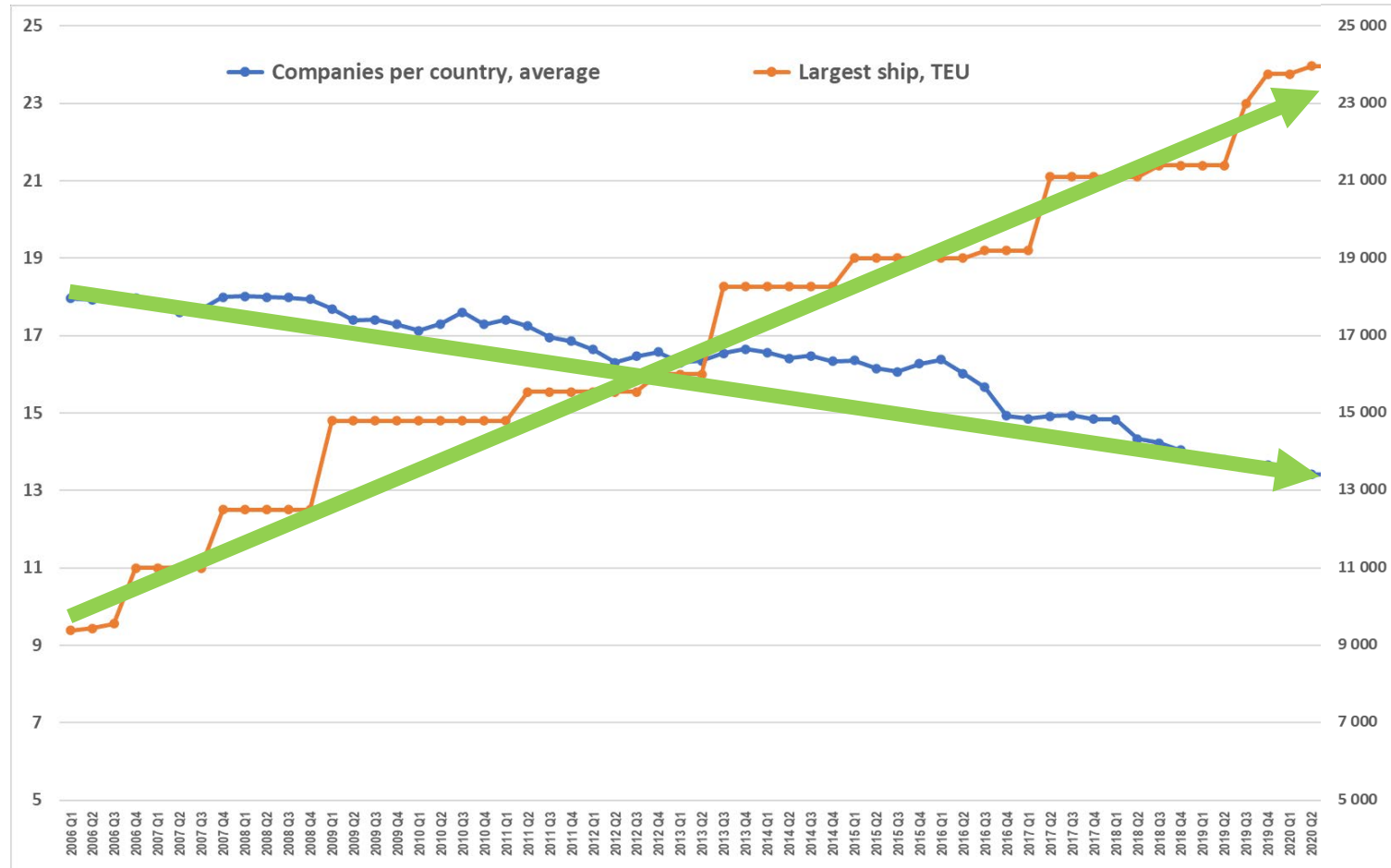
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Presented in Issues Note on Geography of Trade, TDB, forthcoming

## Number of container ports in global liner network



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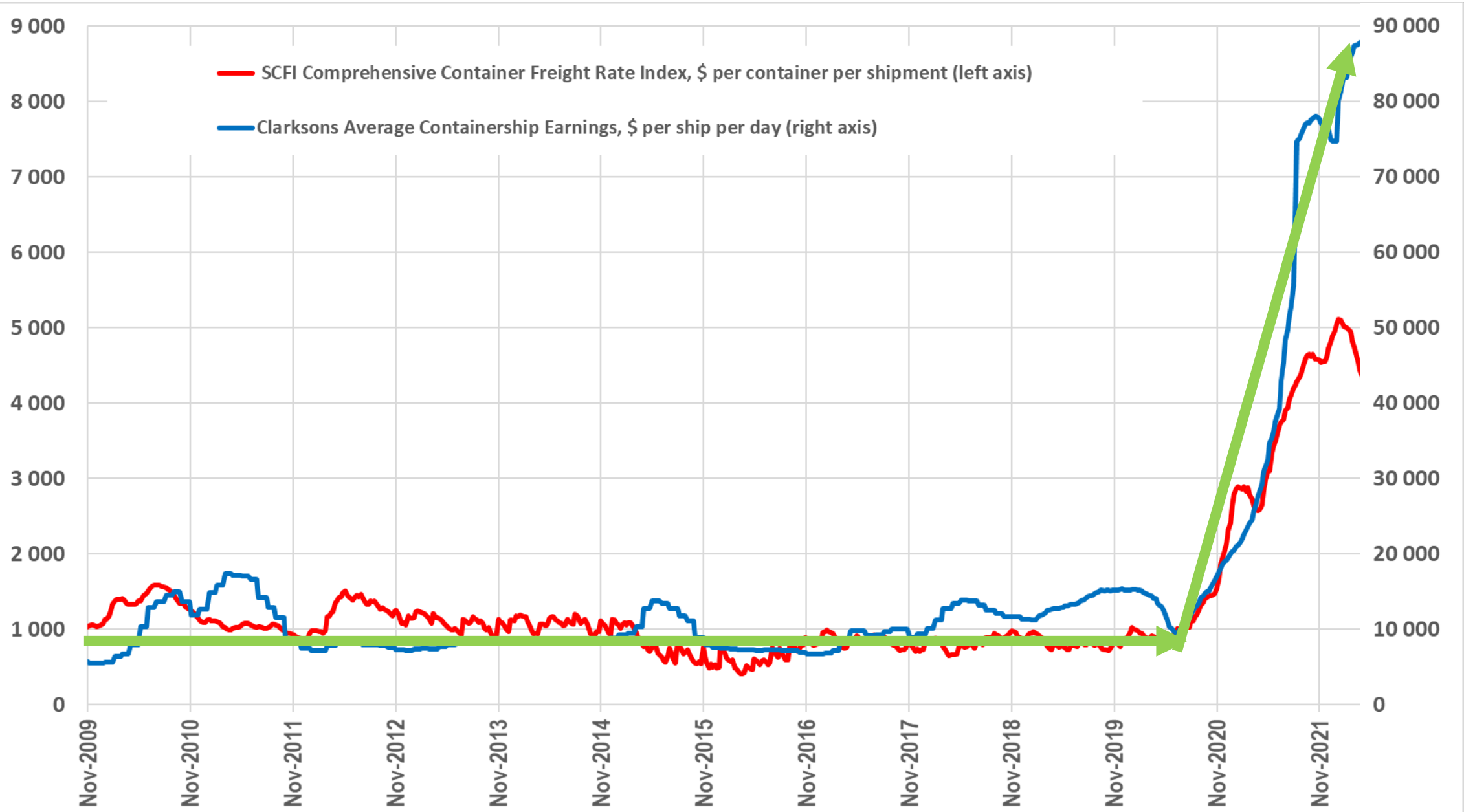
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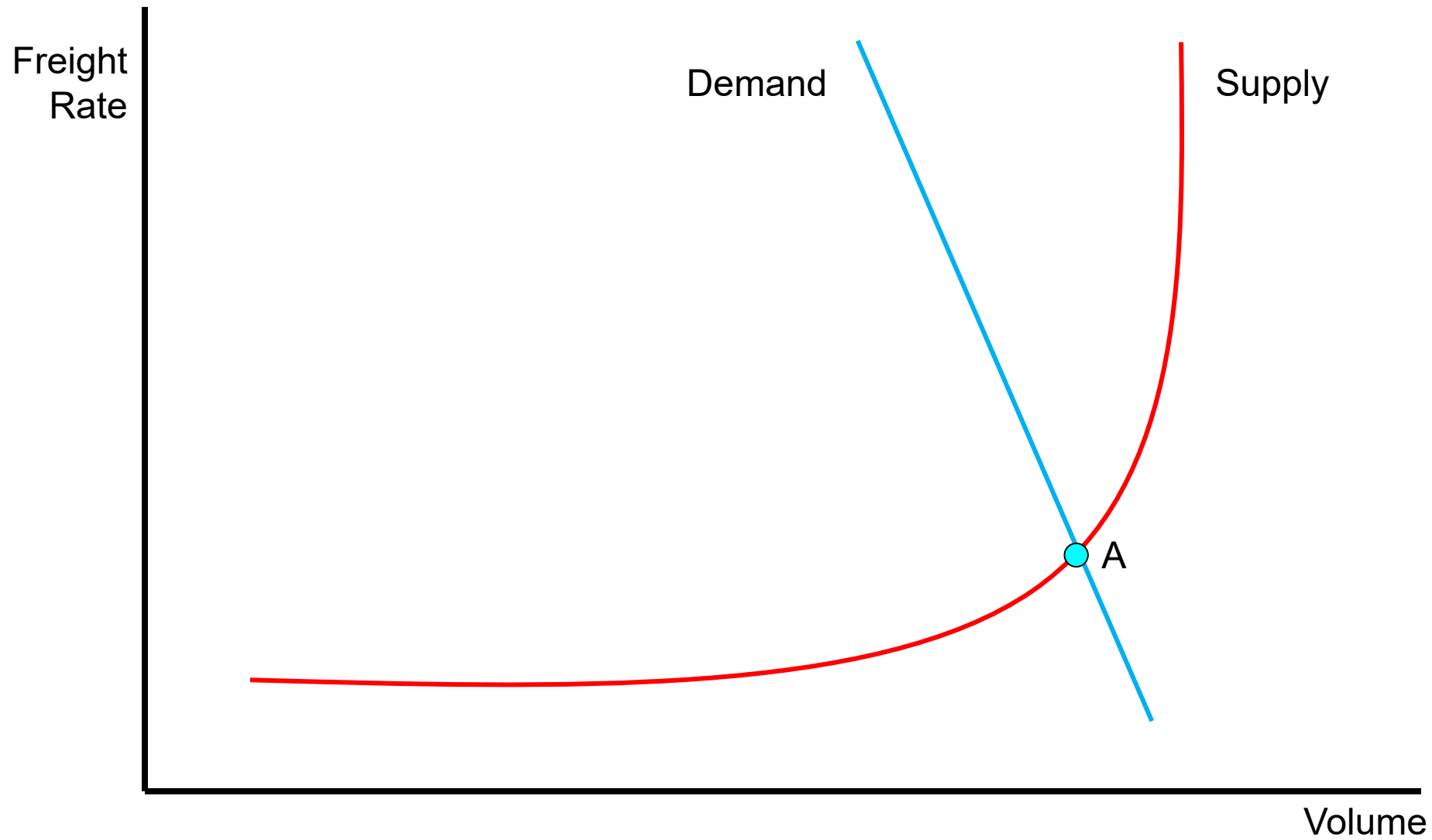
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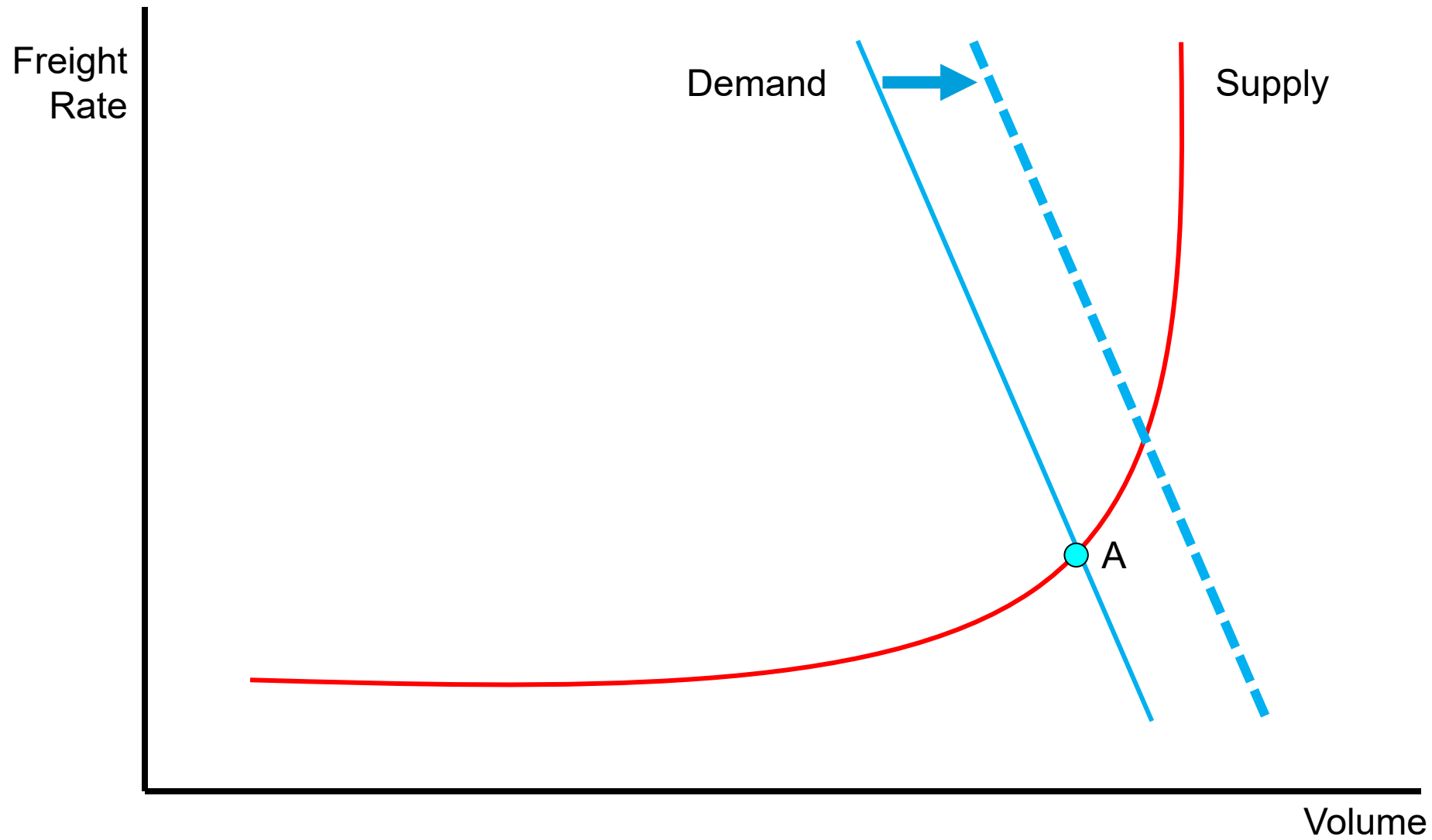
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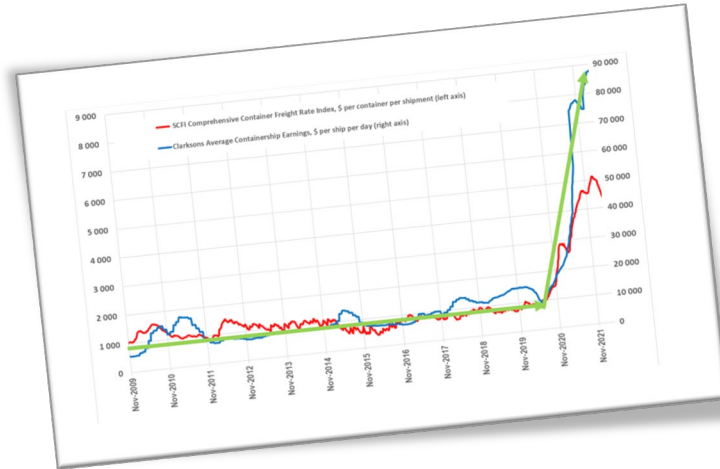




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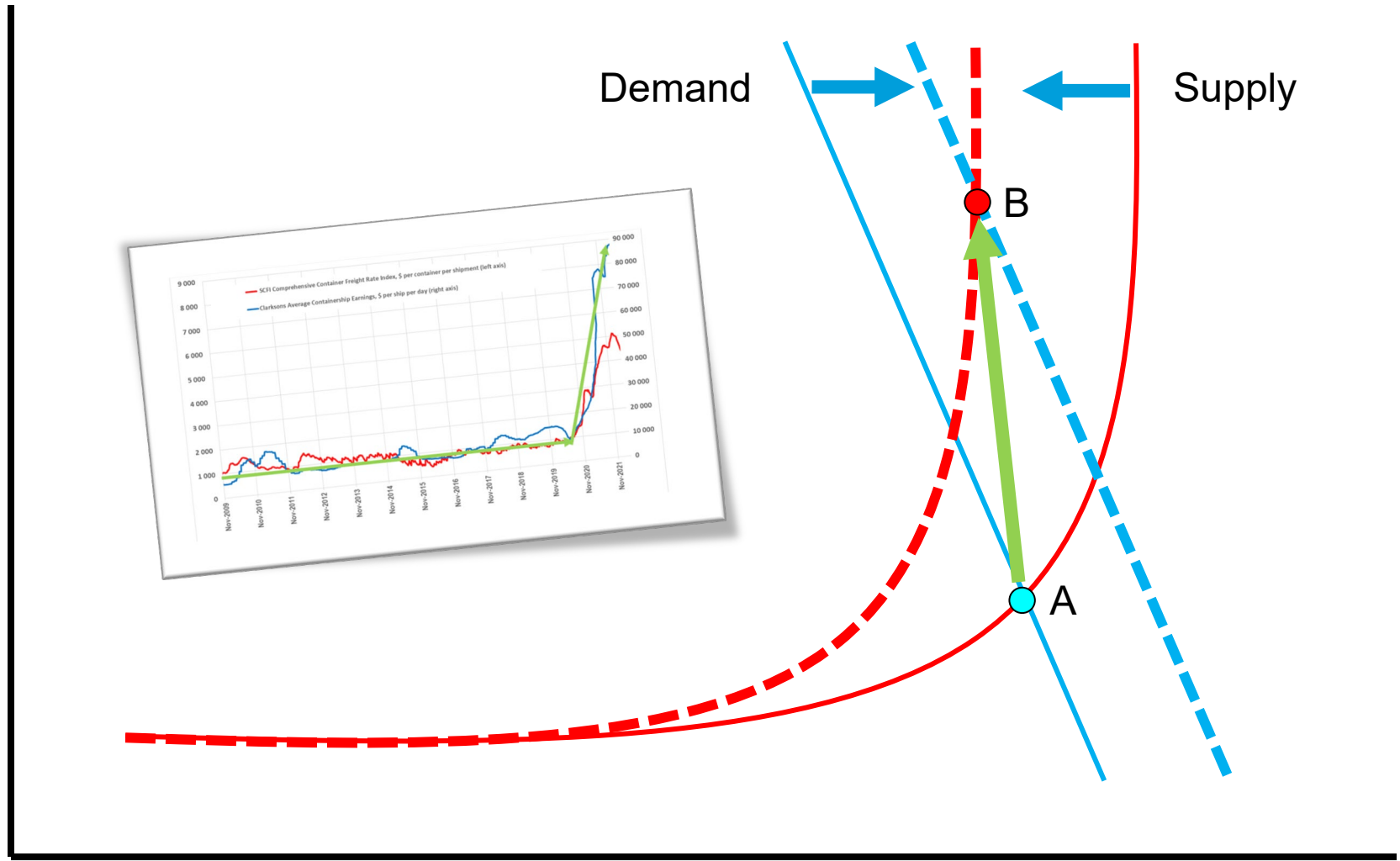
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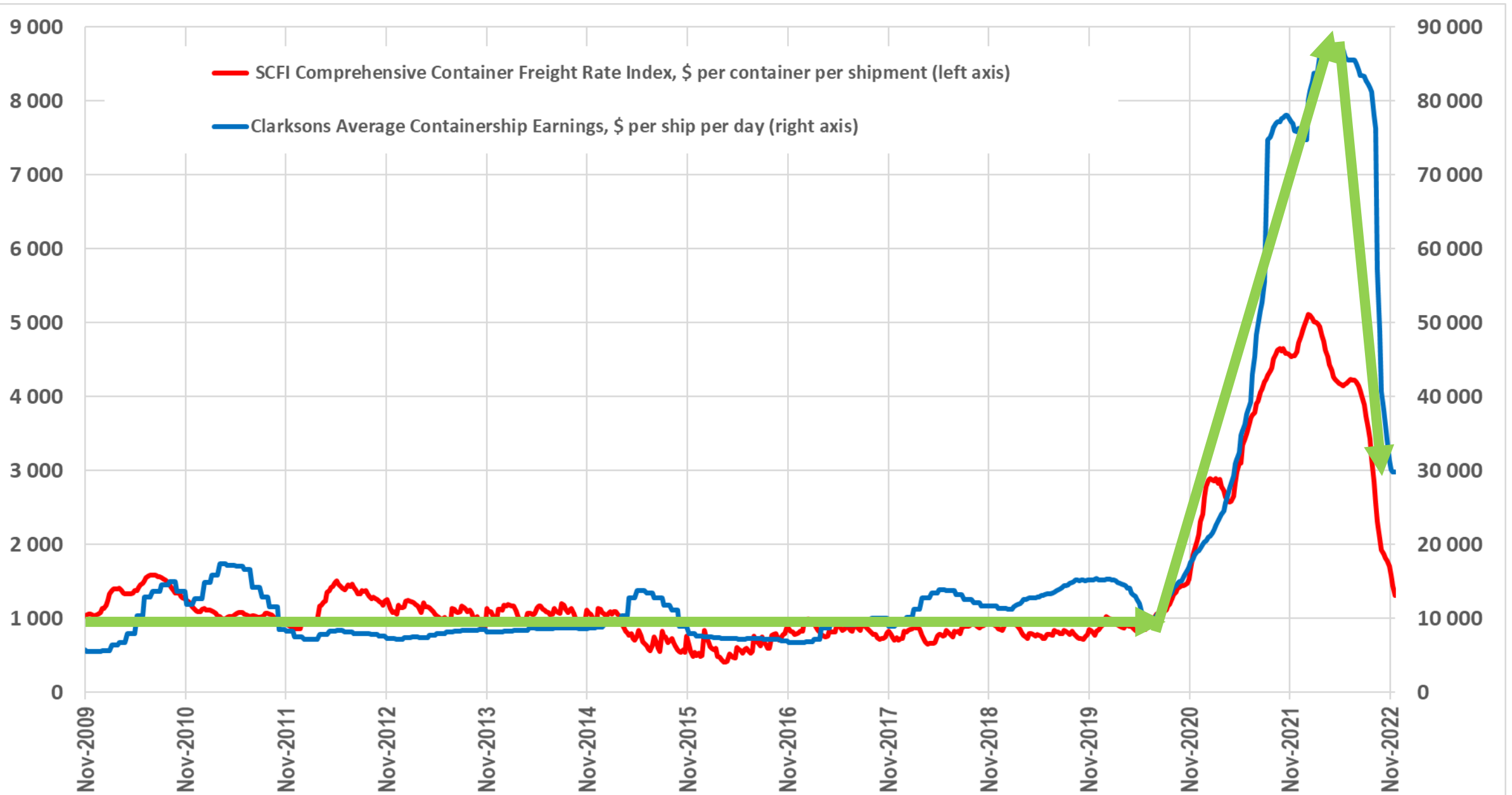


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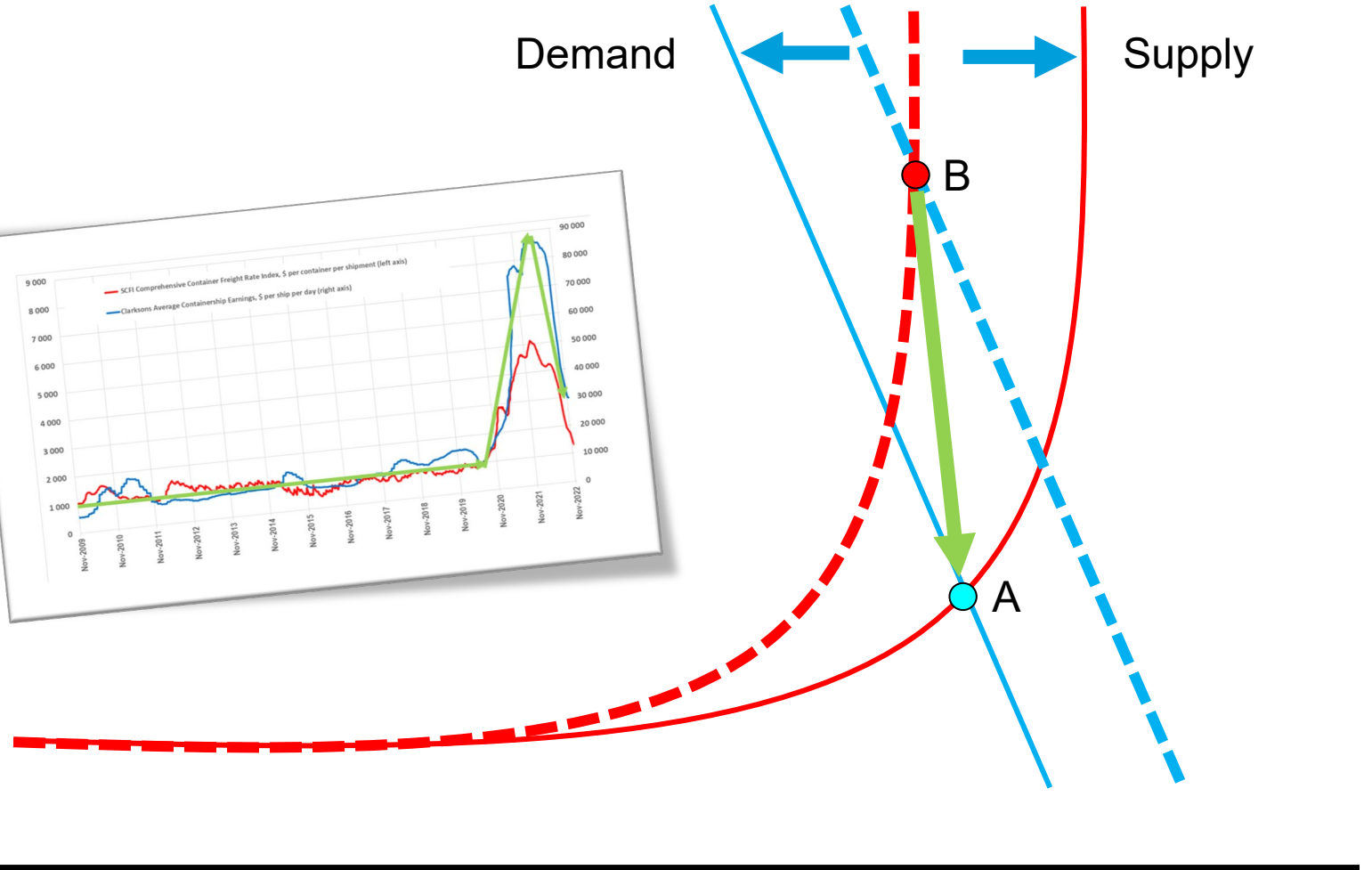
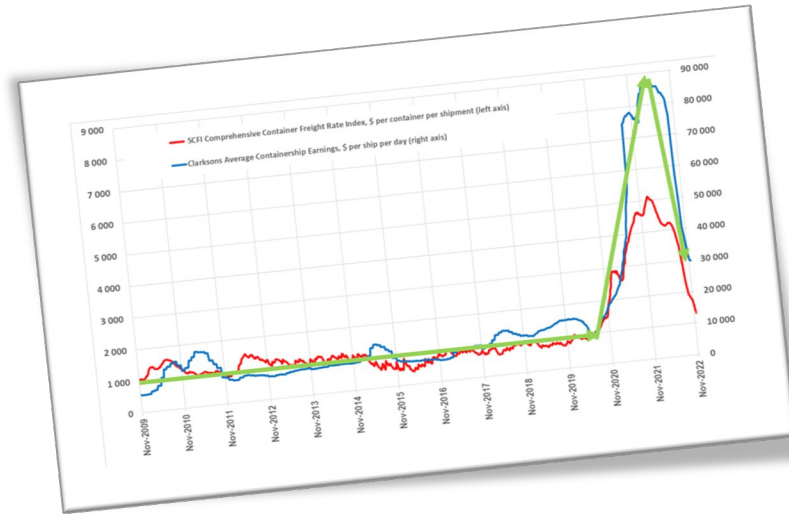


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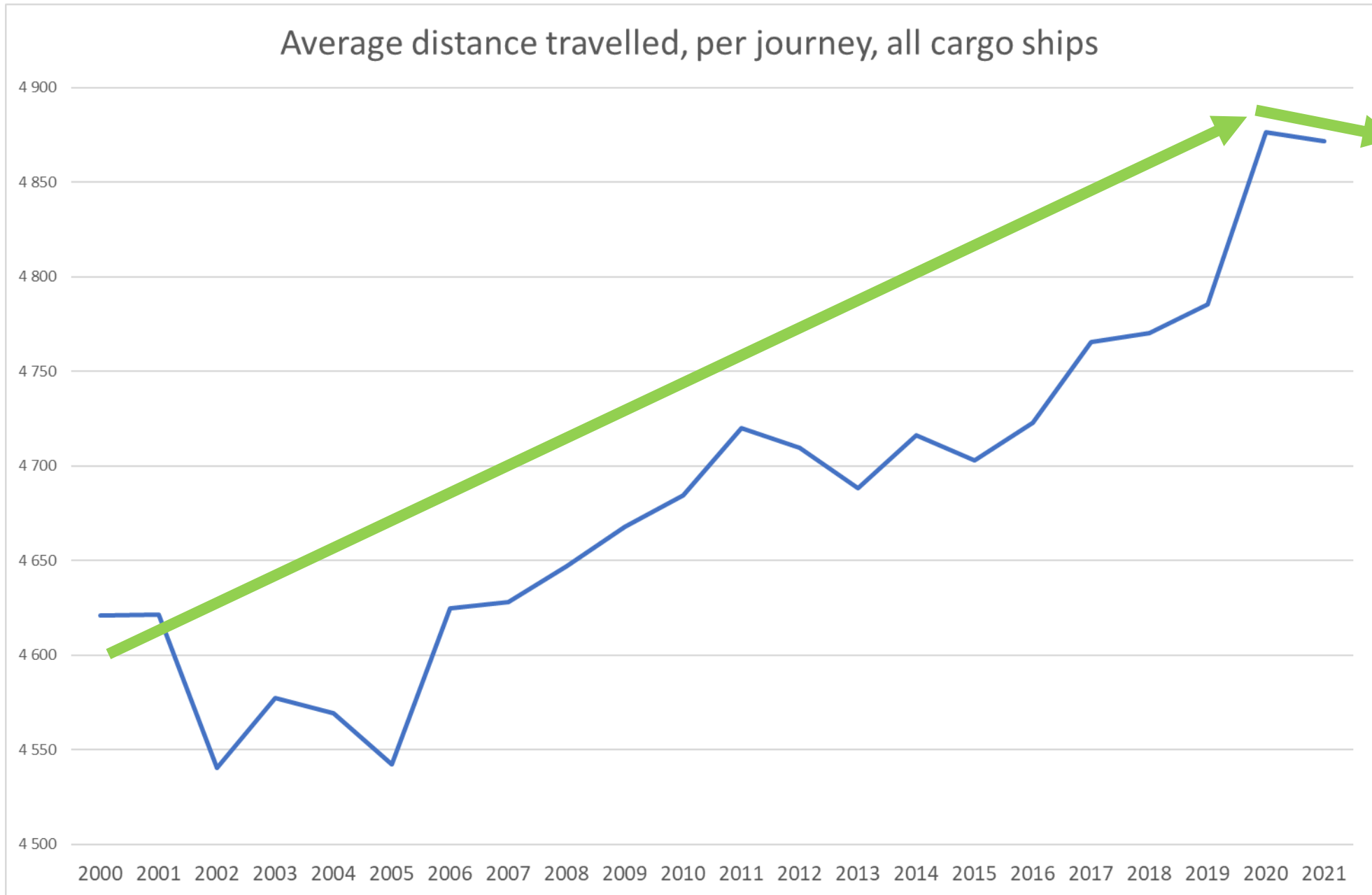
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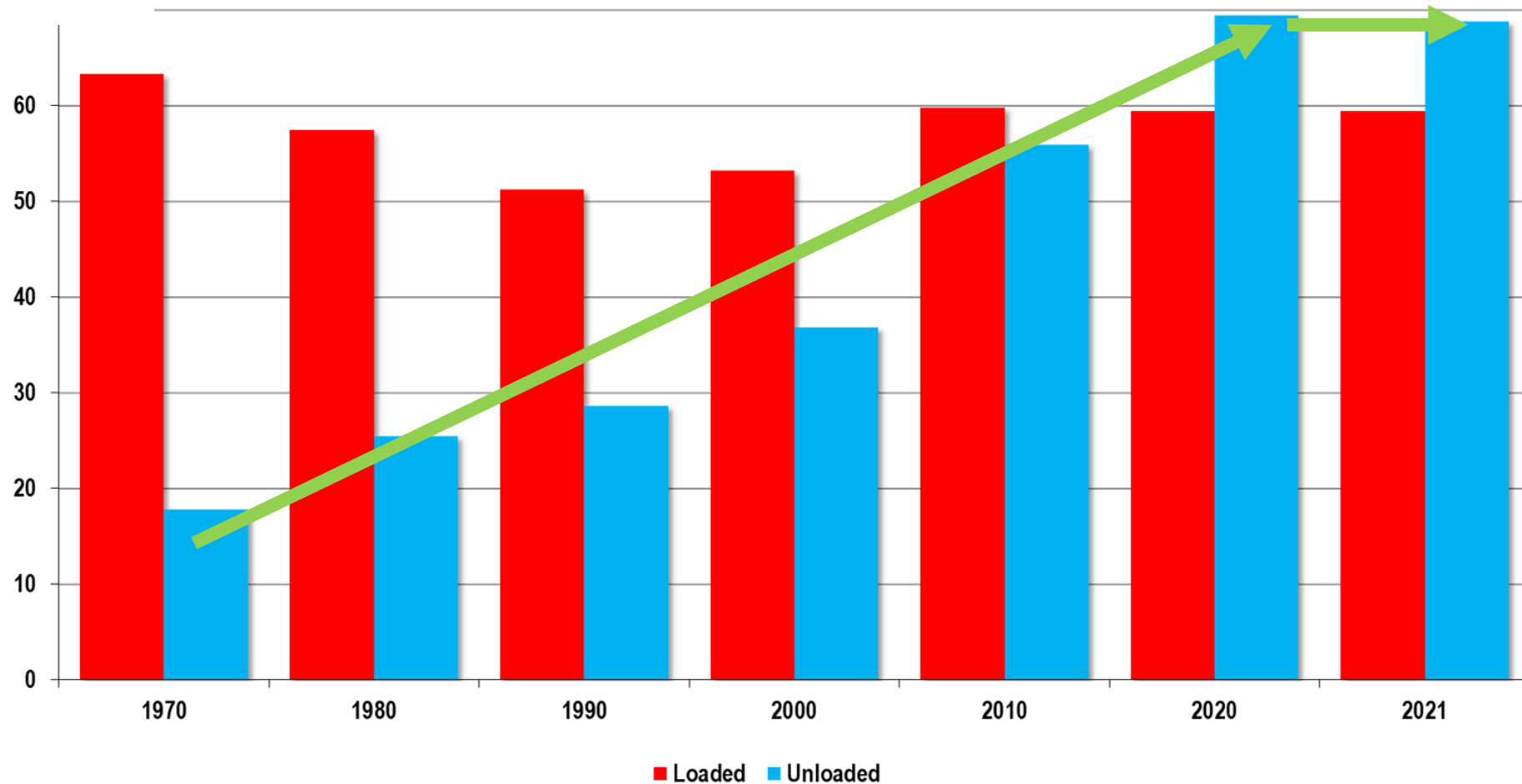






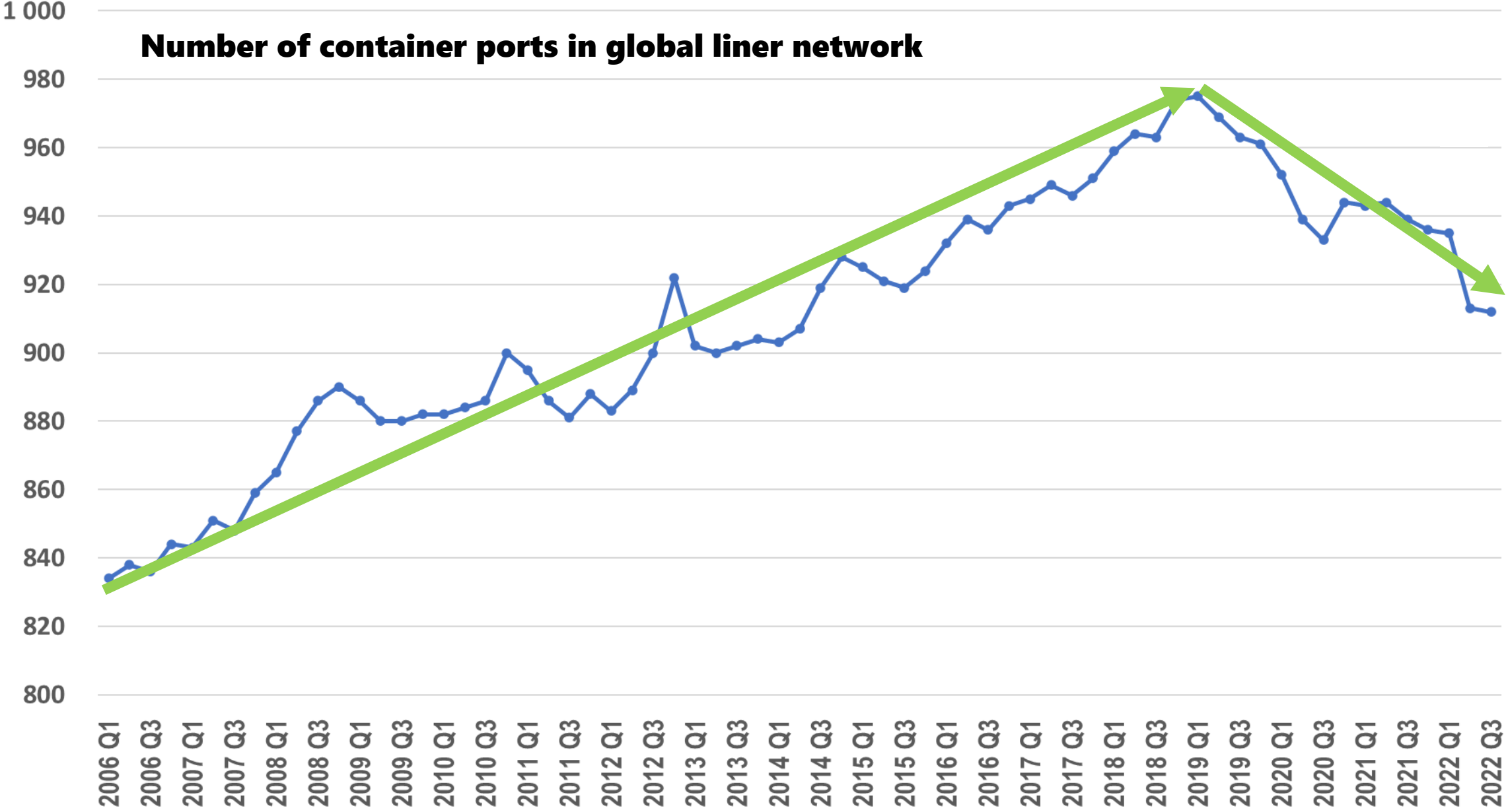
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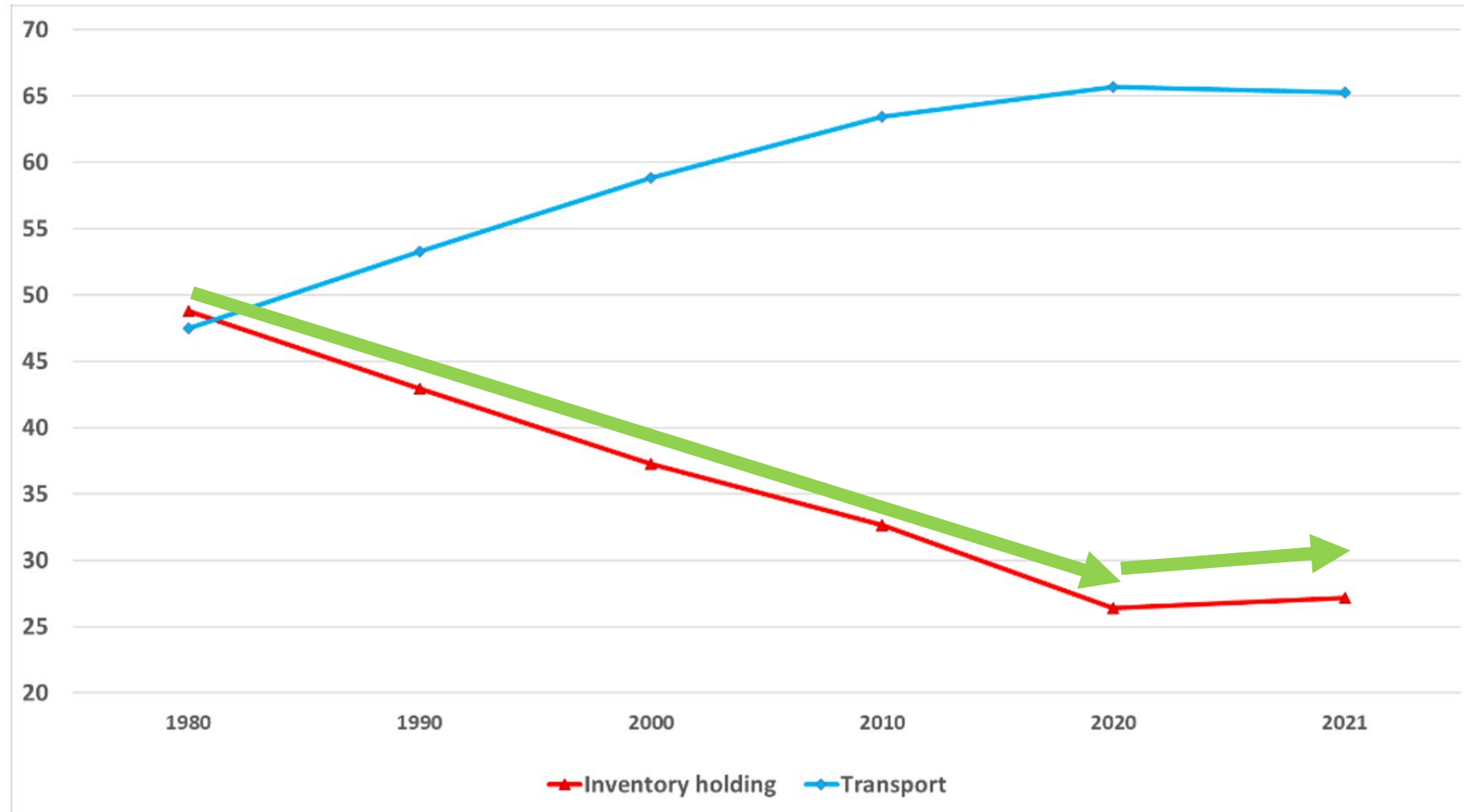
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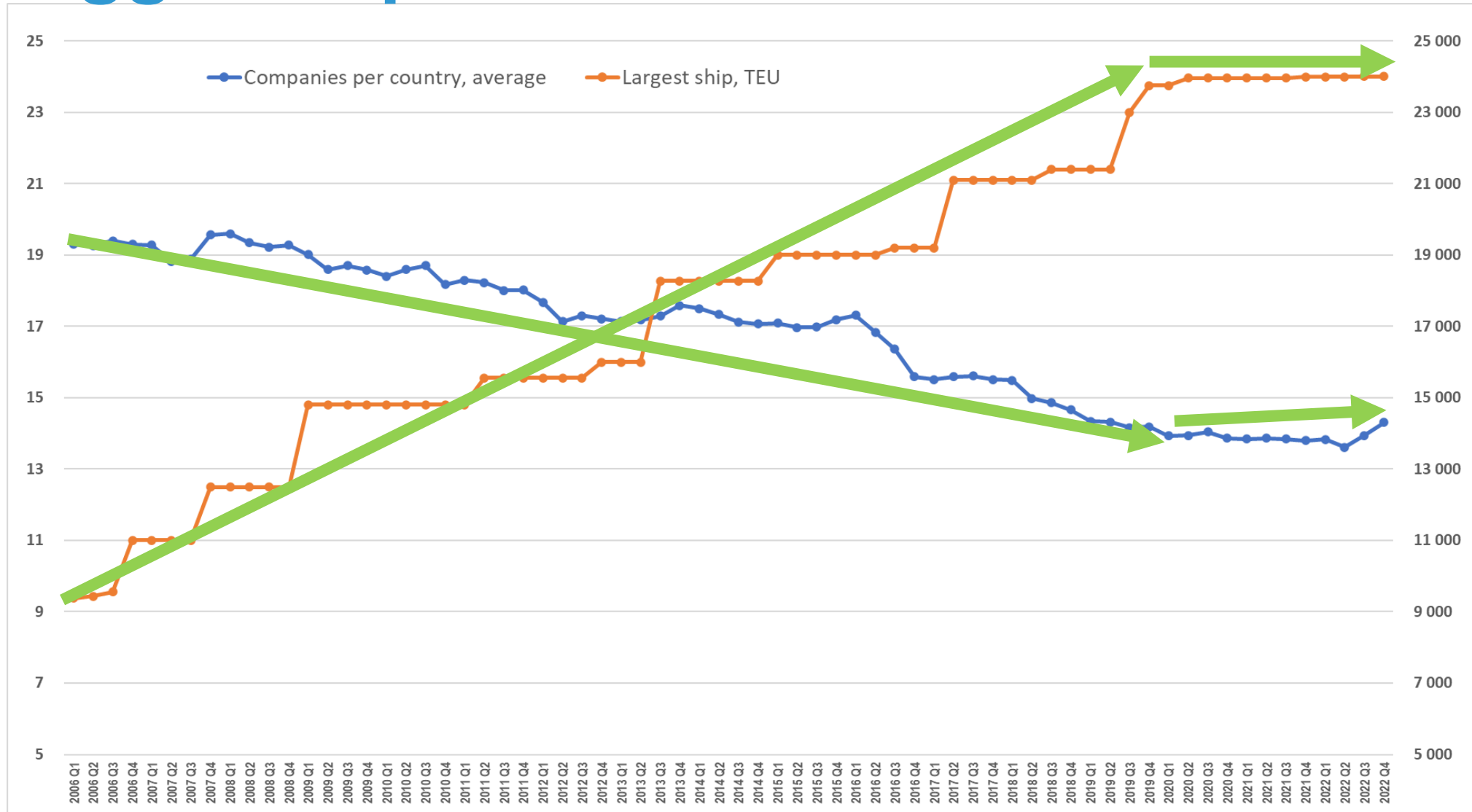
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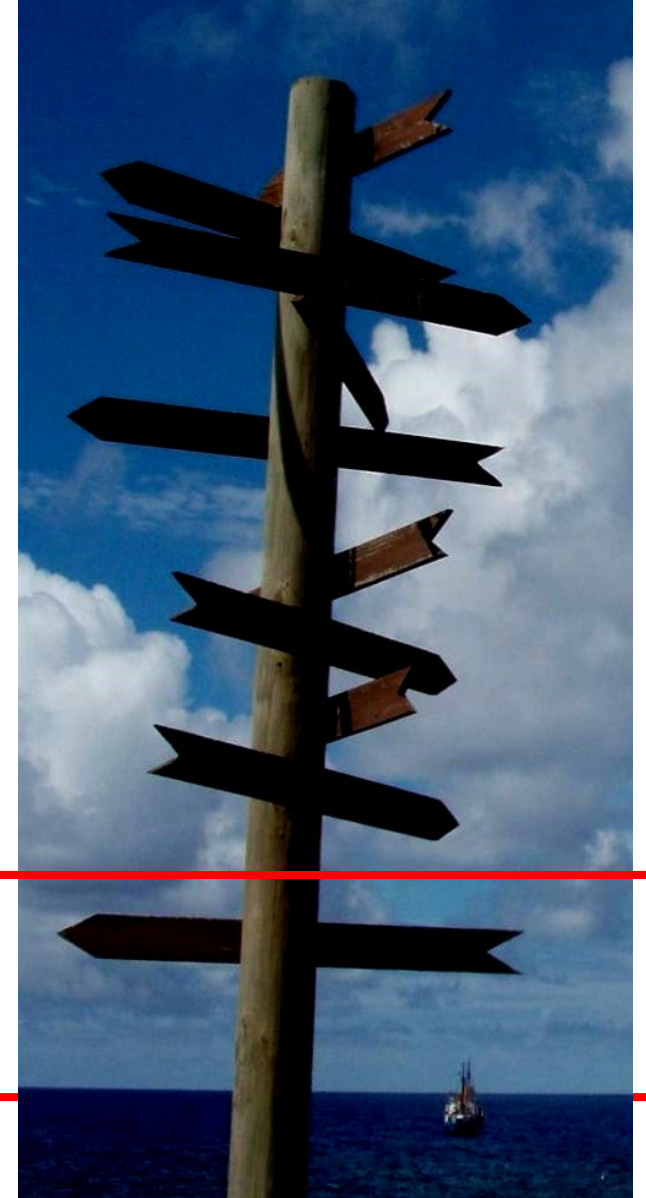
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## Wednesday, 23 November 2022

10 a.m.  
–1 p.m.**Informal meeting****Item 7      The geography of trade and supply chain reconfiguration:  
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- Jan Hoffmann, Head, Trade Logistics Branch, DTL

*Panel discussion*

- **K Subramaniam**, President, International Association of Ports and Harbours
- **Flavia Busingye**, Acting Director, Customs, East African Community
- **Giscard Lilian Ogoula**, Secretary-General, Union of African Shippers' Councils
- **Ju Dong Park**, Assistant Professor, Gyeongsang National University, Republic of Korea

*Followed by interactive discussion*