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Dear Ladies and Gentlemen, Dear Friends and colleagues,

we are pleased to provide you with our updated Newsletter for shipments to Iraq. In case of any specific request, please feel free to contact us.

I. Holidays

Eid Al Adha

The official Period this year will be from October, 25th up to October 31st, 2012. Knowing that some Countries and Areas (South Iraq) do extend the holidays to include the following Weekend upto November 4th, 2012.

Ashoora

Please keep in mind that during Ashoora Period which will take place from November, 15th 2012 up to January 3rd, 2013 some days will be announced as official Holidays. The first Offical Holiday will be November 15th, 2012 followed by some days shortly announced by the local government.

II. Import License (GOVERMENTAL Sector)

Starting from October 1st, 2012 also the governmental sector has to obtain an import license for each and every shipment / contract.

Only current shipments which are already inside of Iraq e.g. Umm Qassr Port or Baghdad Airport and for which the documents are already with the customs authorities can still be customs cleared without an import license.

For all other shipments, even if the goods are already on Iraqi territory but the documents are not yet with the customs authorities, a valid import license is required.

Therefore a valid import license is required for the private and the governmental sector without any exception.

The application can be done through the Chambers of Commerce / Industries, but the final certification has to be done by the new department Commercial Services in the State Company for Fairs and Commercial Services in the Ministry of Trade, Baghdad.

Some of the Governmental Organization do have in mind that even the Shipper needs to apply for such Import License.

The need to have such a Import License is also requested for all IOC.

Please contact us to get the Application Form and a Draft of an Import License.

III. Baghdad International Fair

We are also participating again at the "BIF 2012" which will take place at the Fairground in Baghdad from November 01st up to 10th, 2012. Please visit us at Hall No. 5.

IV. 3rd Basrah Oil and Gas Exhibition

We are also participating at the 3rd Basrah Oil and Gas Exhibition 2012 which will take place at the Basrah Fair Ground from December 06th up to 09th, 2012. Please visit us at the dedicated Area.

Yours faithfully,

M.G. International Transports GmbH

