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YOUR RELIABLE PARTNER FOR SHIPMENTS TO IRAQ

December 31th, 2014 NEWSLETTER

As the New Year renews all the happiness and good tidings, hope the joyful spirit keeps glowing in the your heart forever!
We wish you all Happy New Year 2015

Dear Clients, Partners and Friends,
we are pleased to update you on the current situation in Iraq as follows

1. Security Situation

Due to the current crisis, the security situation in the various regions changes almost daily. Therefore, the below details are subject to change and without guarantee.

KRG region

Province Dohuk:

The area is still safe – few attacks are registered.

Deliveries and transit traffic are still possible without any obstacles or delays.

Province Erbil:

Current situation in Erbil seems to be safe and the roads are operating normally as well.

Province Sulaymaniyah:

The area is safe. Deliveries and transit traffics are possible although sometimes there are obstacles or delays.

Central- and South Iraq

Province Al-Tamim (Kirkuk):

Deliveries coming from the North (KRG region) are possible and the current security situation is still under control of peshmerga forces.

Province Nineveh:

US air strikes attacked several areas of IS in Mosul and around the second biggest town after Baghdad. Mosul still under full control of IS and we do not offer any deliveries to this area or routed in transit via this area.

Province Salahaddin:

The Iraqi army took control over this area again. Presently shipments can only be delivered or routed in transit to / via eastern / northeastern part of Salahaddin. Deliveries to Tikrit are not possible as per now.



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Province Diyala:

The security situation of this area is still quite mixed. The Iraqi Army as well as the ISIS control this province. Shipments can still be delivered or routed in transit to / via the eastern part of Diyala. Transit traffic or deliveries to Baqubah / Jalawla are only temporary possible and at the same time risky.

Province Anbar:

Please see above regarding the security situation! However, there are a few areas in the province Anbar which are still under IS control. Currently we do not offer deliveries to Anbar City, Falluja and Ramadi. Furthermore we do not offer the service via Trebil.

Province Baghdad:

In general, there are still almost daily attacks registered in Baghdad area. As per now and after intensive security checks – shipments to Baghdad or via Baghdad Airport or from Umm Qasr Seaport are possible.

Provinces Babil – Karbala – Wasit – Qadisiya – Maysan – Najaf – Thi Qar – Muthanna – Basrah:

Under control of the Iraqi Army. No attacks by ISIS registered yet. Shipments via Baghdad- / Basrah Airport or Basrah- / Umm Qasr Seaport can be delivered.

2. Border situation

Turkish / Iraqi border (Ibrahim Khalil border)

The situation in the southeast of Turkey is back to normal since nearly 2 weeks. But the border staff is still operating at daylight only. At the same time the truck and cargo inspection became more detailed. Therefore trucks still face longer waiting times. The current waiting time ex Turkey towards Iraq has increased to 5-6 days. The waiting time ex Iraq towards Turkey has increased to 9-10 days. The a.m. reasons have caused lack of trucks in the market and clear rate increases for shipments via Turkey to Iraq.

Jordanian / Iraqi border (Trebil border)

No improvement! The security situation still mixed. We still do not recommend these border points at the moment as clashes are reported daily. A part of the Road from Trebil towards Baghdad is still controlled by IS. Cargo for the private sector can pass after paying road fees to IS. But there is still a high risk that governmental cargo gets confiscated. Therefore, we do not offer transports crossing this route till further notice.



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3. Airfreight

Erbil Airport

Erbil Airport is working normal and regular passenger and cargo flights are available as per above schedule.

Sulaymaniyah Airport

Airport is working normal and regular passenger and cargo flights are available.

Baghdad International Airport (BIAP)

BIAP is working normal and under control of the Army. There are regular passenger and cargo flights. Deliveries are possible within Baghdad city limits and to all destinations south of Baghdad. Deliveries to destinations north of Baghdad are subject to the situation and the dedicated destination.

Basrah Airport

Basrah Airport is still working normal and regular passenger flights are available. Cargo flights are possible on request only as per above schedule.

Cargo Flights to KRG

| Airline | To Erbil Airport | To Baghdad Airport | To Basrah Airport |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Emirates Sky Cargo | 3 freighter + 4 pax weekly | unrestricted operation | unrestricted operation |
| Lufthansa / Austrian Airlines | A319 max 150 kg/pce | no service | no service |
| Etihad Crystal Cargo | abandoned | max 50 kg/pce | max 150 kg/pce |
| Royal Jordanian | abandoned | unrestricted operation | abandoned |
| Coyne Airways (RUS Aviaton) | 1 freighter / weekly | 1 freighter / weekly | on request only |
| Qatar Airways | 3 freighter + 4 pax weekly | 4 pax weekly | 4 pax weekly – PAX = max 150 kg/pce |
| Turkish Airlines | 2 freighter + pax weekly | abandoned | abandoned |



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4. Umm Qassr / Khor Al Zubair ports

Both ports are working normal. Customs and all governmental receivers are proceeding with clearing and collecting / receiving the shipments. We still deliver goods on daily basis to various destinations and oilfields in the southern area of Iraq.

Thank you for your attention.

Yours sincerely,

M.G. International Transports GmbH

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