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March 27th, 2015 NEWSLETTER

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

1. Latest News

Battle for Tikrit

In order to support Iraq against ISIL International Forces are considering to send trainers to Erbil.

Iraqi forces announced that the liberation of Tikrit is only a matter of time. Operation is still going on successfully.

2. Upcoming holidays

► Please note the following upcoming holidays for Iraqi region: Liberation Day of Baghdad on 9th April.

3. Security Situation.

The following provinces are still risky: Anbar/Ninewah/Salah-al din/Diyala.

In general, there are still almost daily attacks registered in Iraq. As per now and after intensive security checks – cargo and shipments to Airports and ports are still possible.

4. Border situation

Turkish / Iraqi border (Ibrahim Khalil border)

The border staff is operating normally. The truck and cargo inspections are still more detailed. The current waiting time ex Turkey towards Iraq is 3-4 days. The waiting time ex Iraq towards Turkey is 4-5 days.

Jordanian / Iraqi border (Trebil border)

The security situation is still mixed. We still do not recommend this border point at the moment as clashes are reported daily. A part of the Road from Trebil towards Baghdad is still controlled by IS. Therefore, we do not offer transports crossing this route till further notice.

5. Airfreight

Erbil & Sulaymaniyah Airport
Emirates Sky Cargo and Qatar Airways are still not offering their services. Limited Cargo flights are available as per below shown schedule.

Baghdad International Airport (BIAP)

BIAP is working normal. Emirates and Etihad Airline have not yet re-started their service to BIAP. Cargo flights are available but subject to inducement. Please check case by case with us.

Basrah Airport

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

6. Umm Qassr / Khor Al Zubair ports

All operations are running smoothly. No obstacles or delays registered.

7. Overland Transport.

The transportation towards Iraq via southeast Europe as well as via Trieste-Mersin Ferry is still running well. No obstacles or delays registered.

8. Mersin / Iskenderun seaport

Port operations are running smoothly. No obstacles or delays registered.



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Airline	To Erbil Airport	To Baghdad Airport	To Basrah Airport
Emirates Sky Cargo	No service	No service	2x flights / day
Lufthansa / Austrian Airlines	5x flights / week	No service	No service
Etihad Crystal Cargo	No service	No service	max 150 kg/pce
Royal Jordanian	Unrestricted operation	unrestricted operation	1x flight / day
Coyne Airways (RUS Aviaton)	1 freighter / weekly	1 freighter / weekly	on request only
Qatar Airways	No service	No service	No service
Turkish Airlines	2 freighter + pax weekly	Daily flights	2x flights / day

Please pay attention to the route Kirkuk to Baghdad. This route is still blocked. Our experienced service team is pleased to support you with alternative options.

Thank you for your attention.

Yours sincerely,

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