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YOUR RELIABLE PARTNER FOR SHIPMENTS TO IRAQ

January 20th 2020 NEWSLETTER

Dear Clients, Partners and Friends,

first of all, we wish you a Health and Prosperous New Year 2020. Similar as in the last year, we like to update you regularly on the day-to-day situation.

1. Overall Situation

Unfortunately the overall situation in the country is still not stable. Still demonstrations are taking place in various cities in the central and southern part of the country.

Due to the demonstrations and the traffic in the main cities is affected. In Baghdad, still four out of seven bridges are blocked which causes heavy traffic jams. Trucks are restricted to center the city. Most of the Ministries are working but working hours are partly reduced and subject to the availability of the personal. For the coming weekend, again large demonstrations in all major cities but particular in Baghdad, Nassiriyah and Basra have already been announced. The KRG Region was and is not effected.

2. Communication

Overall the communication systems are almost back to normal. However, there are still

restrictions while using the internet services.

3. Customs Clearance

Please consider that Duty and Tax Exemptions, subject to the kind of your contract, require a re-newel for the New Year. Please make sure that you have a valid and active duty and tax exemption in place prior to ship your goods.

4. Inspection / VoC.

Please note that for shipment to or via the KRG Region Intertek VoC Certificates might be required. If cargo is destined to central or south Iraq and shipment will be via KRG entrance points, VoC based on Intertek terms and conditions is required in addition to other Voc Inspections.

5. Air Shipments

The airports of Erbil, Baghdad and Basra are operating again normally. However, due to the current tensions in the region

flight schedules are always subject to be changed without pre-notice.

Same applies for Passenger flights.

6. Sea freight Shipments

Sea freight Services to the Iraqi Ports are on schedule. The Ports / Terminals are working. Delays occur due to the limited internet services. Demonstrators had closed the entrance/exit gates some weeks ago. So far there is no delay reported.

7. Marine Cargo Insurance

Subject to your Cargo Insurance coverage, we recommend that you check with your under-writers if the coverage of SRCC Risks is required. Damages to cargo due to riots and civil commotion are not covered under the usual "all risk coverage".

8. New Rates at Airports

As already reported, new rates have been implemented for the



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Yours sincerely,

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