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April 24th 2020 NEWSLETTER

Dear Clients, Partners and Friends,
 we like to update you regularly on the day-to-day situation.

1. Corona Virus / Curfew

Please note that the current curfew has been extended till April 24th 2020. But partial liftings took already place. In principal the curfew remains in place during the night times, during day times people are allowed to go out for e.g. shopping or for work. Traveling outside of the relevant cities is still limited.

Iraqi Oil Companies, Ministries and particular the main customs offices re-started. Current working dates are +/- 2-3 days per week only.

2. Certif. of Conformity

The Iraqi Central Organization for Standardization and Quality Control announced the completion of the licensed inspection company to carry out the Certification of Conformity inspections. Below a short summary of the licensed companies. Please contact us if you wish to receive the full document.

COMPANY NAME
1. Intertek Int.Limited UK www.Intertek.com
2. HQTS Helmsan & Quality & Technology Services China www.hqts.com
3. Viglinezone Adritica S.r.l Italy www.viglinezone.it
4. Geo Chem Middle East UAE

3. Ramadan

The holy month of Ramadan has started on April 24th 2020. We wish all our Muslim friends and partners RAMADAN KAREEM.

Eid al Fitr will most likely start on May 24th 2020.

Please consider that during Ramadan the working hours are limited.

4. Ibrahim Khalil Border

The Turkish – Iraqi border point Ibrahim Khalil Border (IBK) was closed.

Since a few weeks the border it open again (as already reported). Meanwhile most of the goods can enter again but customs is still giving preference to urgently needed goods (healthcare products, foodstuff).

Still Turkish drivers are not allowed to enter to Iraqi territory. Therefore still a transshipment or a changing of the prime mover has to take place at the “no-man’s land”. The current backlog at the Turkish side is approx. 8-10 days and backwards approx. 2-3 days.

5. Iraqi Airports

Iraqi Airports are now partly open.

Baghdad Intern. Airport is receiving cargo flights. Customs is working only for emergency shipments. Cargo for Min of Health, Min. of Agriculture can be cleared on Commitment Letter. Customs clearing with full legalized documents is currently not possible because Customs and Tax office are not fully working right now.



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Erbil Intern. Airport
is also receiving cargo flights, in particular for aid cargo. Customs is working only part time.

6. Iraqi Seaports

The Ports and Terminals of Umm Qassr (UMQ) and Khor Al-Zubair (KAZ) are working normally.

Governmental Representatives, Ships Agents, ISCW and Customs are working only limited hours.

Our colleagues in the relevant offices in Iraq and in Europe are available. We have taken the necessary measures to continue working and are ready by all means to support you 24/7. Please feel free to contact us in case of any specific question and please stay safe and healthy.

Yours sincerely,

M.G. International Transports

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