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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 curfew in Central and South Iraq has again been extended till June 14th.

Currently there is no lockdown in the KRG region.

2. UAE

The Jebel Ali Port Authorities have announce a new regulation requesting to show the HS Code of the goods in the shipping documents. This applies for UAE Import cargo as well as for transshipment cargo and will apply from June 1st 2020.

3. Ibrahim Khalil Border

The situation as the Turkish – Iraqi border point Ibrahim Khalil Border (IBK) has not changed so far.

Still Turkish drivers are not allowed to enter to Iraqi territory. Therefore the 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.

4. Iraqi Airports

Iraqi Airports are now partly open.

Baghdad Intern. Airport

Few airlines offering almost 1-2 flights per week in transit via neighboring countries. Customs is working partly.

Erbil Intern. Airport

Few airlines offering almost one flight per week sub inducement. Customs is working only part time.

5. Iraqi Seaports

The Iraqi Min. of Transports has announced the implementation of the new Iraqi Port Tariff from July 1st 2020. Main changes are:

Containers:

Free storage time changed from 10 days to 7 days for Imports and from 10 days to 5 days for Export. General Service charges changed from a rate per ton to a rate per unit.

Non-Containerized goods (Break bulk, Bulk, Vehicles)

50% surcharges on cargo stored in warehouses. Charges changes for some cargo types e.h. cement, oil products, machines parts. THC charges for all petroleum products increased.

So far the official English translation is not available.

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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