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

1. Ramadan 2022

Ramadan 2022 is going to start on Saturday, April 2nd, 2022 and will last until May 2nd. To be followed by EID Holidays.

We wish all our Arabic friends, customers and partners "EID MUBARAK".

2. Influences of Ukraine Crisis

The current crisis at Ukraine has major impact on global shipping and transportation market.

A dramatic increase in fuel prices all over the world leads to higher freight charges for all modes of transport such as truck, sea and air. Airlines are only offering spot prices and give short term validity of their rates. Trucking prices are increasing and number of available trucks is limited. Ocean carriers are changing schedules and rotations due to sanctions against Russia. This leads to delays in departures/arrivals.

3. DEL & TEL Cancellation

As usual most of the duty and tax exemption or "postponement approvals" expired by the end of last year. Therefore, subject to the status of your contract, additional or new approvals are required.

4. New Council of Ministers Resolution (No.10) of 2022

According to a new resolution of Council of Ministers it is regulated that all shipments arriving to Baghdad International Airport for delivery of the exempted governmental and private goods to its beneficial destinations, must be delivered under an armed Police Escort followed by a Customs Employee. We estimate delays in procedures and likely additional charges for the operation.

A copy of Resolution is available with us and can be shared upon request.

5. Iraqi Seaports

Umm Qassr Port is working on normal level. No major congestion is recognized.

Vessel operating times are normal and smooth for the time being.

During Ramadan the situation might change slightly due to limited manpower and/or working hours.

6. Ibrahim Khalil Border

Ibrahim Khalil Border is working normally. There are no major waiting times or delays.

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7. Trebil Border

Trebil Border is working normally. There are no major waiting times or delays.

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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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