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Newsletter for shipments to Iraq

Dear clients,

I.) EID Holidays

The EID Holidays in the Middle East Region will commence after Ramadan on 19th September and last until 27th September.

II.) Erbil International Fair 2009

We are pleased to inform you that the "ERBIL INTERNATIONAL FAIR" will take place from 12th till 15th of October 2009. We will participate in that fair and look forward to at your service at the German pavilion.

III.) Airfreight cargo to Baghdad

After almost three to four week were no landing rights were provided for cargo flights, the situation seems to come back to normal. Please contact us for more details.

IV.) Border situation

a.) Al Karameh / Trebil (Jordan/Iraqi border)

The flow of cargo via Jordan into Iraq is still limited as well as the number of Iraqi trucks entering into Jordan on a daily basis (average 40-50 per day max). Still no Iraqi reefer trucks are allowed to enter into Jordan. Therefore, all reefer cargo has to be transhipped from Jordan to Iraqi reefer trucks at the border.

b.) Syrian/Iraqi borders

The traffic via the Syrian gateway into Iraq is slightly increasing. As a border point, so far, only the border point of "Al Waleed" remains open (except the railway border).



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c.) Habour / Zakho (Turkish / Iraqi border)

The service is still running well without major delays. The waiting time for Turkish trucks into Iraq is currently approx. 2-3 days max. and approx. 5-6 days for empty Turkish trucks from Iraq back into Turkey.

d.) Umm Qassr port

The current average waiting time is approx.

Ro/ro vessel: 2-3 days waiting time

Container Vessel: 7-10 days waiting time

Break Bulk Vessel: 5- 7 days waiting time, depending on the type of cargo loaded.

e.) Safwan/ Abdali commercial border point (Kuwait / Iraqi border)

The situation is normal again. Approx 100-200 trucks with commercial cargo are crossing this border point daily. All cargo has to be transhipped from Kuwaiti to Iraqi trucks.

Yours faithfully,

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