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CUSTOMER ADVISORY NOTICE

To: All Valued Customers, Shipping Lines, and Clearing Agents

Subject: Important Regulatory Update – Restrictions on B/L & Delivery Order Amendments (Umm Qasr / Iraqi Ports)

Dear Customer,

Please be advised of an urgent regulatory directive issued by the Republic of Iraq – Ministry of Transportation / State Company for Maritime Transport (SCMT) under official Letter No. 8928, dated October 6, 2026.

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Subject: Recommendations of the Diwani Order Committee
Reference No. 260497 / 2026
Greetings,
With reference to the letter issued by the Office of the Prime Minister, No. (2627317/3011) dated 29 September 2026, concerning the approval of the Prime Minister of the recommendations contained in the minutes of the meeting of the Diwani Order Committee, No. (260497) dated 20 April 2026, particularly Paragraph One there of:
1. Any amendment to the Bill of Lading or Delivery Order, including the consolidation of more than one Bill of Lading under a single Delivery Order, or the transfer of a Delivery Order from one name to another, shall be prohibited unless prior approval is obtained from the Director General of the General Authority of Customs or his duly authorized representative.
The State Company for Maritime Transport shall ensure that all information stated in the Delivery Order is fully consistent with the information declared in the Sea Manifest.
In the event of any violation or discrepancy, the competent authority shall take the necessary measures, including the suspension of the company's or agent's account in the ASYCUDA system.
Please ensure strict compliance with the above instructions and take the necessary measures accordingly.

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Please note that the above advisory is being circulated based on the official communication received from **Ministry of Transportation / State Company for Maritime Transport (SCMT)**.

The advisory is issued without prejudice & shall not be construed as an independent interpretation on the requirement imposed by the Iraqi authorities.

Yours faithfully,

Maritime Commercial & Compliance
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