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1. Alert: Strike Action by the ATDF

Please note that although we have received no official notification, the information on social media is that the ATDF (All Truck Drivers Foundation) has once again called for protest action in response to what they see as their demands not being met. They have again reiterated that no foreign nationals are to be employed in the sector.

As no official notification has been released we have no certainty as to how long the action will last, however, reports state that it was planned between the 1st and 4th of November.

There were incidents yesterday with trucks being stoned and one set alight, but the situation has been reported as calmer this morning. Our logistics partners have advised that the ongoing delays at the port have had far more impact on the delay of container delivery than this strike action has.

As the situation progresses we will update our clients accordingly.

2. Possible Surcharge due to Port Delays

The attached article from FTW refers.

In the last 4 months MSC have reported a loss of over US\$12 million due to the delays at Durban Port. They have advised that a surcharge to mitigate this loss seems inevitable unless Transnet can turn the situation around as they have promised to do. There are serious concerns regarding the knock-on effect of a surcharge, as this would inevitably be passed on to consumers.

3. IMO 2020 Surcharge Implementation Date

Although the regulations are only officially in place from the 1st of January 2020, some lines have advised that the surcharge will be in effect from the 1st of December 2019 as the vessels will begin to take on the compliant fuel in preparation for the deadline.

Please see attached notifications from Hamburg Süd, DAL and Evergreen regarding this, as and when other lines release their fees we will update our clients accordingly. We would like to assure our clients that we are taking this surcharge into account when negotiating rates with our preferred partners.

We thank you for your continued support and partnership

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