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BREAKING NEWS – The situation in the Middle East is escalating dramatically – the effects are already being felt

The situation in the Middle East continues to escalate.

We receive new information daily, regarding the latest developments. A predictable supply chain and reliable deliveries, from third countries, have become virtually impossible due to the current situation.

Over the past few days, sea freight prices have continued to rise.

Due to the closure of the Strait of Hormuz, more than 10% of the world's available container ships are grounded. This is creating an imbalance in the entire logistics chain, affecting all business sectors.

Several shipping companies have confirmed that they will not be calling at any ports in the Middle East. This means that all import routes must be replanned and adjusted. The military conflict in the Middle East is causing significant disruptions to international shipping. Shipping companies are demanding substantial freight surcharges for necessary alternative routes and are levying an emergency conflict surcharge on goods already in transit. These additional costs are justified by the security measures required to protect the cargo, given the situation in Iran and the Arabian Peninsula. The additional costs amount to US$2,000.00–US$3,000.00 per container (depending on size and weight).

Diesel Surcharge

The impact on national and international truck freight prices can be observed "live" and daily at the gas station. Fuel prices are increasing every day. These are expenses that freight forwarders pass on directly to their clients.

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CO2 Pressure Disinfection

CO2 needed for the Pressure disinfection is heavily dependent on raw material prices (gas, electricity, crude oil). We must expect short-term price adjustments and pass them on via the CO2 energy cost surcharge.

The situation presents us with new challenges every day – and further related consequences are currently impossible to predict. As a precautionary measure, we would like to inform you that supply chains are once again under pressure, ship arrivals (ETAs) and delivery dates cannot be guaranteed, and increased costs must be passed on.

Please plan well in advance and be prepared for potential delivery delays and additional fuel surcharges.

The agaSAAT team and your direct contact person are available to answer any questions you may have.

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