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## QUOTA UPDATES

The quota updates for this week include:

1. EU Quota fill-rates
2. US Absolute Quota fill-rates
3. US Tariff Rate Quota fill-rates.

## DENIED PARTY UPDATES

### EU

41 denied parties have been added and 1 modified.

*Source: Official Journal of the European Union*



## LANDED COST UPDATES

### AMERICAS

#### ARGENTINA

Updates to the Tariff Schedule regarding addition and deletion of HTS positions, general duty rates, and product descriptions, affecting all the chapters.

*Source: Argentina Customs*

#### NICARAGUA

This is an Update for Preferential Duty for Mexico, Dominican Republic, and CAFTA affecting certain products across the tariff; Addition of HS Numbers, affecting many chapters.

*Source: Nicaragua Customs*

### AISA-PACIFIC

#### NEW ZEALAND

Change in Customs Duty and Preferential rates for UK, Canada, LDC, Thailand, and Trans-Pacific Strategic Economic Partnership Agreement for products across the tariff.

*Source: New Zealand Customs Service*

### INDIA

Change in Excise Duty rates for vehicles and parts thereof. The following HTS chapter is affected: 87.

*Source: Customs and Excise Department, Government of India*

### EUROPE

#### ESTONIA

This update makes changes to excise rates for alcohol and tobacco products for Estonia. This is part of the harmonization process to the EU excise rate levels. The following HTS chapters are affected: 22 and 24.

*Source: Estonian Tax and Customs Board*

### EU

Update to the EU Tariff. This update includes added and deleted HS numbers, import duties, and preferential duties; affecting various chapters.

*Source: EU Commission*

### RUSSIA

Updates on Excise for Alcohol and Tobacco, and their products.

*Source: Customs of the Russian Federation*

### MIDDLE-EAST/AFRICA

#### LIBYA

1. Updates to Libya customs tariff for the year 2008, affecting all the chapters.
2. Change in HS descriptions for Mineral waters and update for Consumption Tax and Goods and Service Tax (GST) for most of the products across the tariff.

*Source: Libya Customs*

**ON THE ANVIL****Updates being processed:**

Argentina  
 Australia  
 Brazil  
 Canada  
 Chile  
 EU  
 India  
 Israel  
 Mexico  
 New Zealand  
 Saudi Arabia  
 Switzerland  
 Taiwan  
 Turkey  
 US  
 Venezuela  
 Vietnam

**REGULATORY UPDATES****AMERICAS****ARGENTINA**

New changes to the requirements and products covered under the Registry of Export Operations. The following HTS chapters are affected: 01, 02, 05, 16, 21, 27, and 35.  
*Source: Ministry of Economy and Production*

**CONTRACT ASSESSORIAL UPDATES****Fuel Surcharge updates:****EUR-MED**

EMTA advises their customers of the new BAF levels, effective August 1:  
 To/From Eire, North Continent, Scandinavia, Baltic/East Med: EUR 234 per TEU  
 To/From UK, East Med: GBP 185 per TEU

Effective July 15<sup>th</sup>, the following Cyprus BAF levels will apply:  
 NWC, Scandinavia, and Baltic to Cyprus: EUR 246  
 UK to Cyprus: GBP 194  
 Cyprus to NWC, Scandinavia: EUR 123  
 Cyprus to UK: GBP 97

Also effective July 15<sup>th</sup>, the following Interim Fuel Participation Factor (IFP) levels will apply to Israel cargo:  
 Southbound: USD 381 per TEU  
 Northbound: USD 190 per TEU

**CARRIER SERVICE UPDATES****USA-AUS/NZ**

Along with the member lines of the Oceania Vessel Sharing Agreement (Hamburg Sud, Hapag Lloyd, and Maersk Line), ANL-USL will restructure the existing services between the West Coast of North America and Australia/New Zealand. The four lines will offer three service strings: a weekly Pacific Southwest String (PSW-1), a fortnightly Pacific Southwest String (PSW-2), and the Pacific Northwest (PNW) string. The restructuring will commence in August.

**ASIA-MED**

The member lines of the Grand Alliance (GA) and the New World Alliance (TNWA) are pleased to announce a jointly operated service from Asia to the Black Sea. Starting in mid-June, the new service will provide shippers a weekly frequency with common port. The following locations will make up the service rotation: Shanghai, Ningbo, Shekou, Singapore, Suez, Istanbul, Constanza, Odessa, Damietta, and Jeddah.

**EUR-MED**

Maersk Line will adjust its KNSM service between North Europe and Morocco. Agadir will be removed from the port rotation until the beginning of the next reefer season. In the mean time, Agadir will be served by Maersk's feeder network via Algeciras.

**ASIA**

OOCL is pleased to announce a new service combining their existing Jakarta (JKT2) and Penang (PEN) feeder services. The new Indonesia-Malaysia service (IMS) will be launched on July 3. IMS will provide direct links between Jakarta, Merak, Port Kelang, and Penang with fast transit times, while maintaining the existing feeder network linking Singapore to Indonesia and Malaysia.

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