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Concerns about Ebola transfer in western Africa continue to have the region's shipping industry on edge with reports of possible boycotts ahead.

Despite that Ebola has been transferred to foreign populaces via international shipping, countries on Africa's west coast have already started to feel the pain of border restrictions and the stigma that comes with an infectious deadly disease epidemic. The United Nations five days ago called for a lifting of travel and border restrictions, which restrict air travel and shipping to and from affected countries. All of the West African countries are considered emerging economies, but the restrictions hurt both international and domestic trade.

Several ships that called in Ebola-stricken countries have been quarantined and held at their destinations until inspected. Hapag-Lloyd instituted a \$350-per-TEU charge on shipments to and from West Africa due to lengthy delays. Some container lines are even considering boycotting the affected countries, according to This Day Live, a Nigerian newspaper.

As of last week, the World Health Organization said 2,909 people had died and 6,185 cases of Ebola have been reported. There's been a case reported in Guinea, Liberia, Nigeria and Sierra Leone. Most recently, Ebola was detected in Senegal.

But even as fears arise, Maersk sent out a customer advisory in mid-August noting that there is no record of Ebola ever being transported through international shipping. The International Chamber of Shipping released guidelines for carriers, which focused on keeping crews onboard vessels calling in affected countries.

Both APM Terminals and Maersk Line have donated tents to the Liberian government to help build a new Ebola treatment center. APMT has a terminal at the Freeport of Monrovia in Liberia.

According the PIERS, the data division of The JOC Group, 6,065 TEUs has been imported to the U.S. from all five countries battling the Ebola epidemic. The top commodities imported are rubber products, cocoa beans and household goods.

About half of those containers went through the Port of Virginia at Norfolk. The ports of New York-New Jersey, Philadelphia, Savannah and Houston also received cargo.

(SOURCE: JOC.com)



Event

Photos



Top to bottom photos :

Presentation of plaques to the founders

Globelink Unimar Inc. staffs at the event.

Highlights

GLOBELINK UNIMAR CELEBRATES 20 YEARS IN BUSINESS

Twenty years ago, two young men shared the same dream and decided to go for a long journey of ocean freight transportation service together. Thereafter, Mr. Cihan Yusufi and Mr. Ugurhan Kicki then gave birth to Unimar Lojistik A.S in 1994 and the company is based in Istanbul, Turkey. They joined the Globelink family and became Globelink Unimar Inc. on 1st October 2011.

Twenty years later, Globelink Unimar Inc. is ranked as the No. 1 market player in the logistics industry at Turkey, having presence at six (6) locations namely- Istanbul (serves as the headquarters), Izmir, Bursa, Mersin, Ambarli port and Ataturk airport (IST).

In commemoration of its 20th Anniversary, a celebration was held at Cevir Hotel Istanbul Asia.. The gathering was graced with a speech by Mr. Yusufi to start the celebration. This is followed by a speech and presentation of the anniversary plaque to mark the 20-year milestone by Mr. Daniel Tok, Deputy CEO of Globelink Group.

The event was attended by all the staffs that helped make GL Unimar as it is today. Dinner, live music, raffle draws, prizes and plaque of appreciation to select employees were given and enjoyed through the night as a happy reminder for the years to come.

Congratulations Globelink Unimar Inc. From your Globelink family!



From left to right: Mr. Cihan Yusufi, Mr. Daniel Tok, Mr. Ugurhan Kicki

New Service
Advisory



ANNOUNCEMENT FROM
GLOBELINK UNIEXCO



CWT Globelink

Direct Sailing Ex- BARCELONA to HO CHI MINH and ITAJAI

Starting 01 October 2014, two new direct sea freight LCL services will commence as initiated by Globelink Uniexco for all export from Barcelona, Spain:

- **BARCELONA to HO CHI MINH, Vietnam**
Frequency: departures every 14 days
Transit Time: 31 days
- **BARCELONA to ITAJAI, Brazil**
Frequency: departures every 14 days
Transit Time: 25 days

New routing: Ex - BARCELONA to PUERTO CABELLO VIA COLON, PANAMA

With immediate effect, pls be informed that the direct service from Barcelona to Puerto Cabello, Venezuela has been **SUSPENDED**.

From now on, the routing will be via Colon, Panama.

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China	01 - 07 Oct	National Day	Morocco	4-Oct	Eid al-Adha
Costa Rica	12-Oct	Meeting of Cultures Day		25-Oct	Islamic New Year
Croatia	8-Oct	Independence Day	Pakistan	04 - 05 Oct	Eid ul-Azha
Egypt	04 - 07 Oct	Eid-al-Adha (Feast of Sacrifice)	Qatar	04 - 08 Oct	Eid al-Adha
	6-Oct	Armed Forces Day	Singapore	05 - 06 Oct	Hari Raya Haji
	25-Oct	Al Hija (Islamic New Year)		23-Oct	Deepavali
Guatemala	20-Oct	Revolution Day	Slovenia	31-Oct	Reformation Day
Hong Kong	1-Oct	National Day	Spain	12-Oct	National Day
	2-Oct	Chung Yeung Festival	Sri Lanka	5-Oct	Eid-UL-Adha
India	2-Oct	Mahatma Gandhi's Birthday*		8-Oct	Vap Full Moon Poya Day
	4-Oct	Idul Juha		22-Oct	Diwali
	6-Oct	Dussehra (Vijaya Dashami)	Taiwan	10-Oct	National Day
	23-Oct	Diwali (Festival of Lights)	Thailand	23-Oct	Chulalongkorn Day
* Only these holidays are observed throughout India.			Turkey	04 - 07 Oct	Kurban Bayrami
Indonesia	4-Oct	Eid al-Adha		6-Oct	Liberation of Istanbul*
	25-Oct	Islamic New Year		29-Oct	Republic Day
Korea	3-Oct	National Foundation Day	* Regional holiday.		
	9-Oct	Hangeul Day (Korean Alphabet Day)	UAE	04 - 06 Oct	Eid al Adha
Kuwait	04 - 06 Oct	Eid al-Adha		25-Oct	Al Hija
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