

# IRAQ PROGRAM OVERVIEW

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## 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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Goal: To monitor and track movements of finished counterfeit cigarettes from the factories to the Iran border and to confirm/deny if shipments are heading to turkey or elsewhere. Client goal is to have shipping and transit routes mapped, as well as to work with appropriate enforcement agencies to incept shipments.

This month we have been engaged in tracking the Air bridge connection into Iraq as well as the factories are tied to the air bridge. At some point we need to get a green light for us to engage the local military and or police to stop vehicles and search them, under the threat of possible terrorism it can be done as we already work with the Military and police on other matters. Disruption is also possible as outlined before. I would clearly state this month our Intel has been coming in on a more frequent manner do to the network of sources that we have acquired.

This month :

- **Last month we reported** that some of the product coming into Iraq and being ship to Iran is manufactured outside of Iraq, *we now know the come from Moldova, Vietnam and are coming across from Turkey*
  - **Last month we reported** that a Greek Operation, under the name of Yano we are currently trying to locate operations in Baghdad, *what we have now found is this company is called Yanosi and Assoc, based on the Turkish side of Cyprus ( we filed the report in the Syrian end of month report)*
  - **Last month we reported** a North Korean , trying to locate name, *we have been able yet to located this*
  - **Last month we reported a Iranian operation** call Moroha located in downtown Baghdad market, with operations in Lebanon, *we have located the Baghdad store, it is in Shorja-Kefah city, located at King Ghazi street, Allawi al shorjia Baghdad, highlighted in black, we have not accessed it yet.*

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- Russian , *trying to locate name*

Cigarettes Type being smuggled:

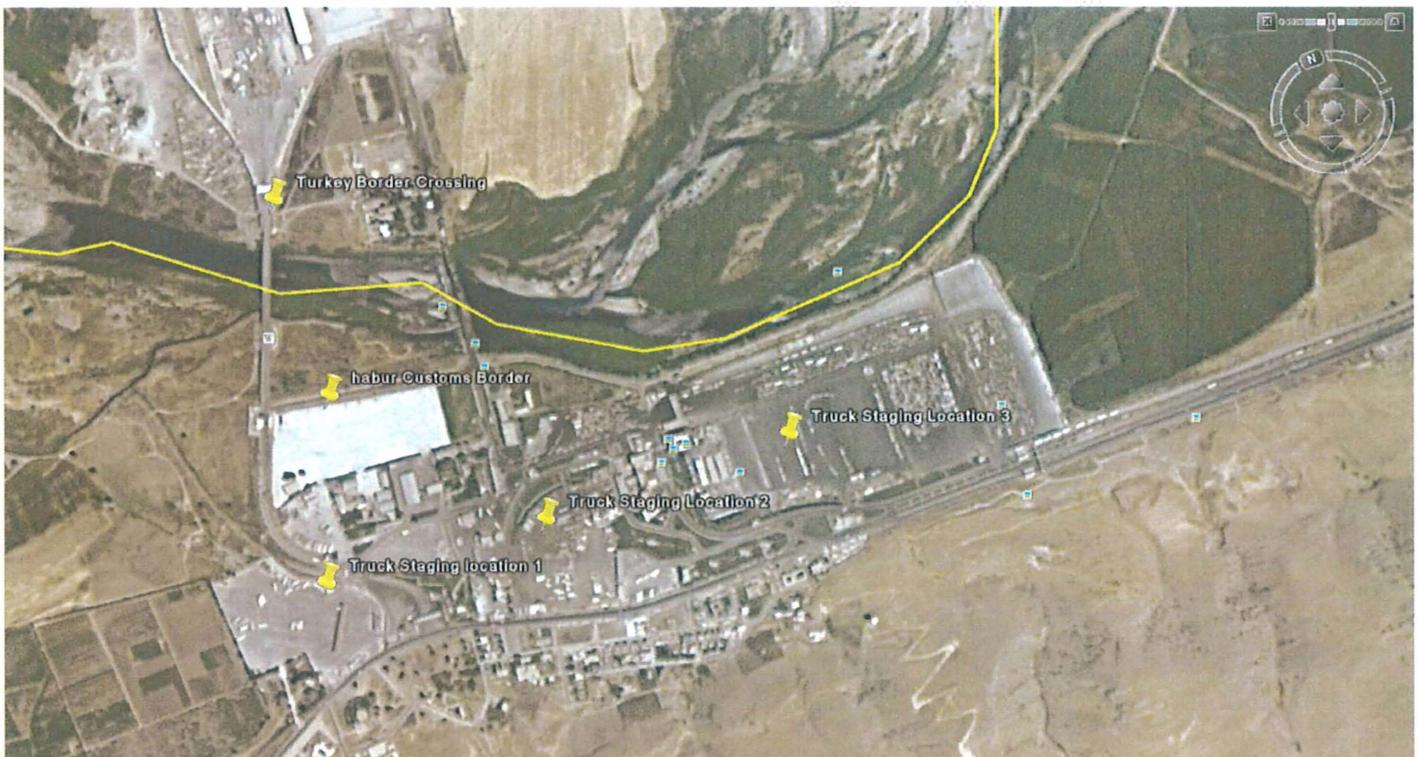
- Winstons ( coming from Dubai into Baghdad and then to Iran)
- Salem
- Gauloises
- Marlboro
- Davidoff (coming from Dubai into Baghdad and then into Iran)
- H&M

## 2. ROUTES

### Known Routes into Iraq:

- **Habur Customs border** Products coming from the Russian federation, Lebanon, North Korea, Vietnam, UAE, OMAN and Morocco transiting through Cyprus to Turkey, where they are off loaded at the Free Zone of Mersin. In Mersin we are aware that they off-load and reload and remove marks and numbers from product to prevent their being traced. These products are then moved to Silopi pass (37° 14' 59" North, 42° 28' 10") then follow the road call Silopi Harbur Yolu road. Turkey has a road numbering very much like the UK, the road number are: D430 route or E90 Route. This road ends at The Habur Customs border with Iraq (**LAT 37° 8'19.69" LONG, 42° 35' 28.04"**)

### Border with Turkey and Iraq, Dohuk SAT PHOTO



Picture (Harbur Cross Truck Park location 1)

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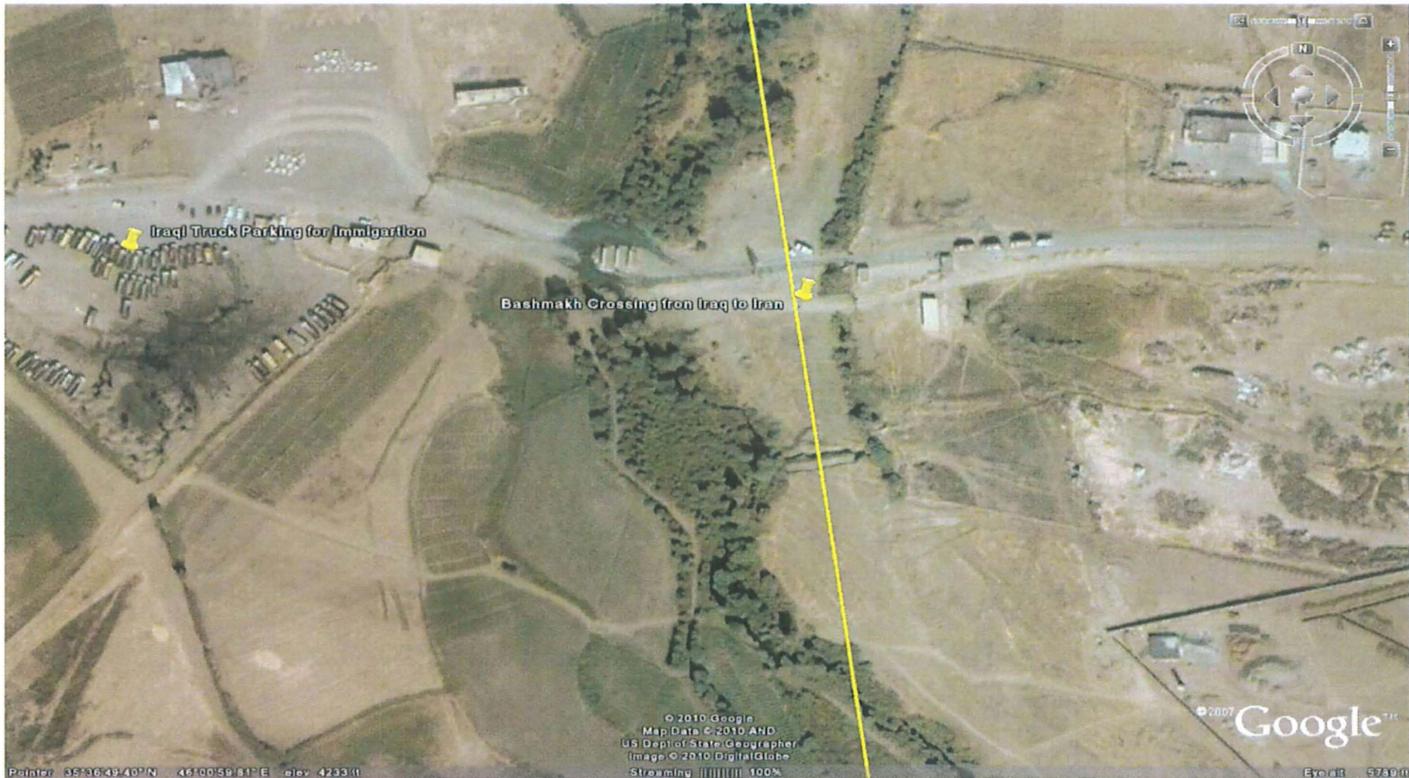


Harbur Truck Park 2



**Bashmakh Crossing.** This crossing from Iraq to Iran, this location is used at times, due to the limited amount of customs people (note below) LAT: 35°36'50.65"N LONG: 46° 1'1.22"E

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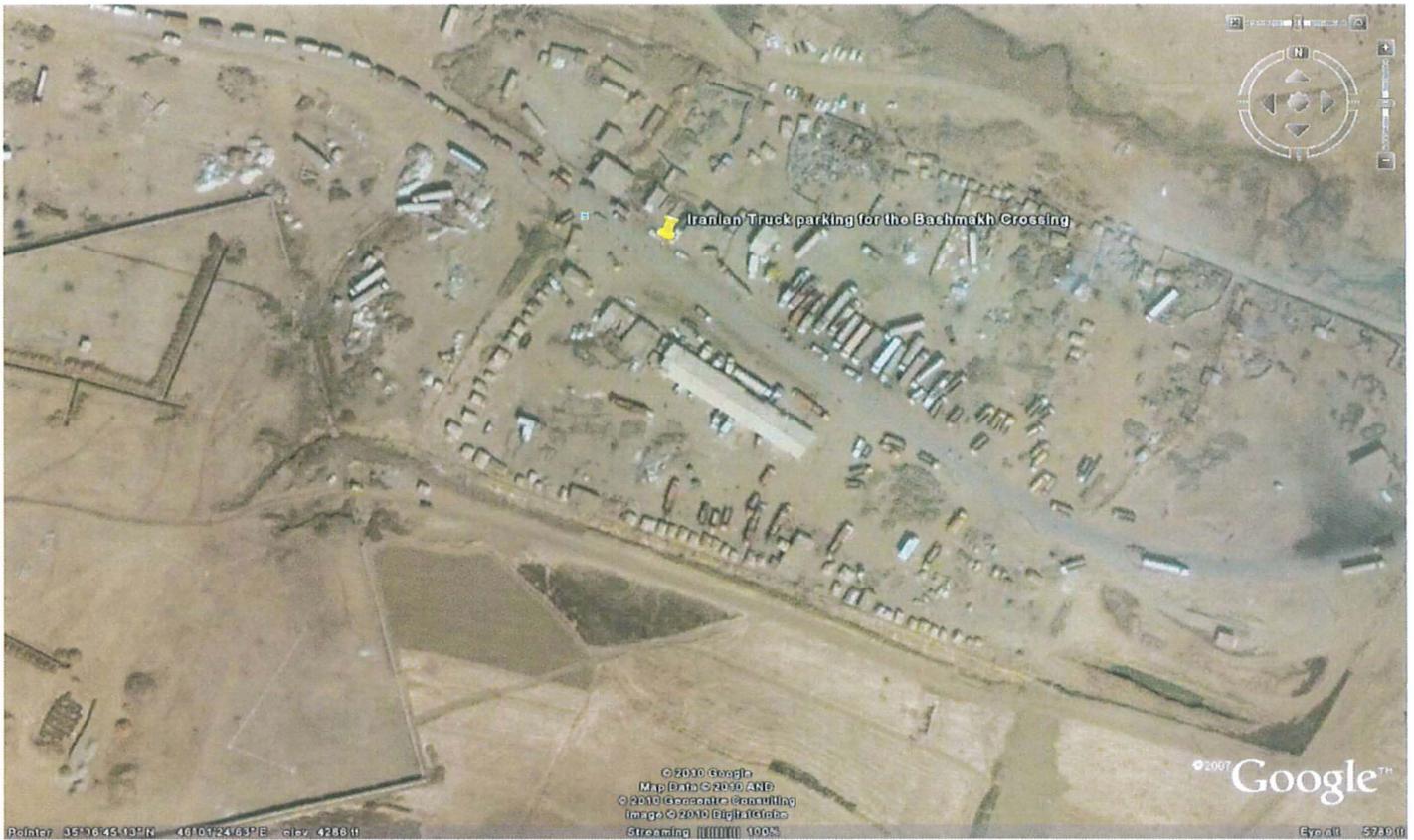


Bashmakh Truck parking on Iran side

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Note Below a actual Picture of Truck Part 1, this is a open ground for all trucks to stop and walk to the immigrations check points.. as well as pay for the opportunity to bring things across without the proper paperwork.



These are the gates that lock the Border up at night. Behind this solider is Iran

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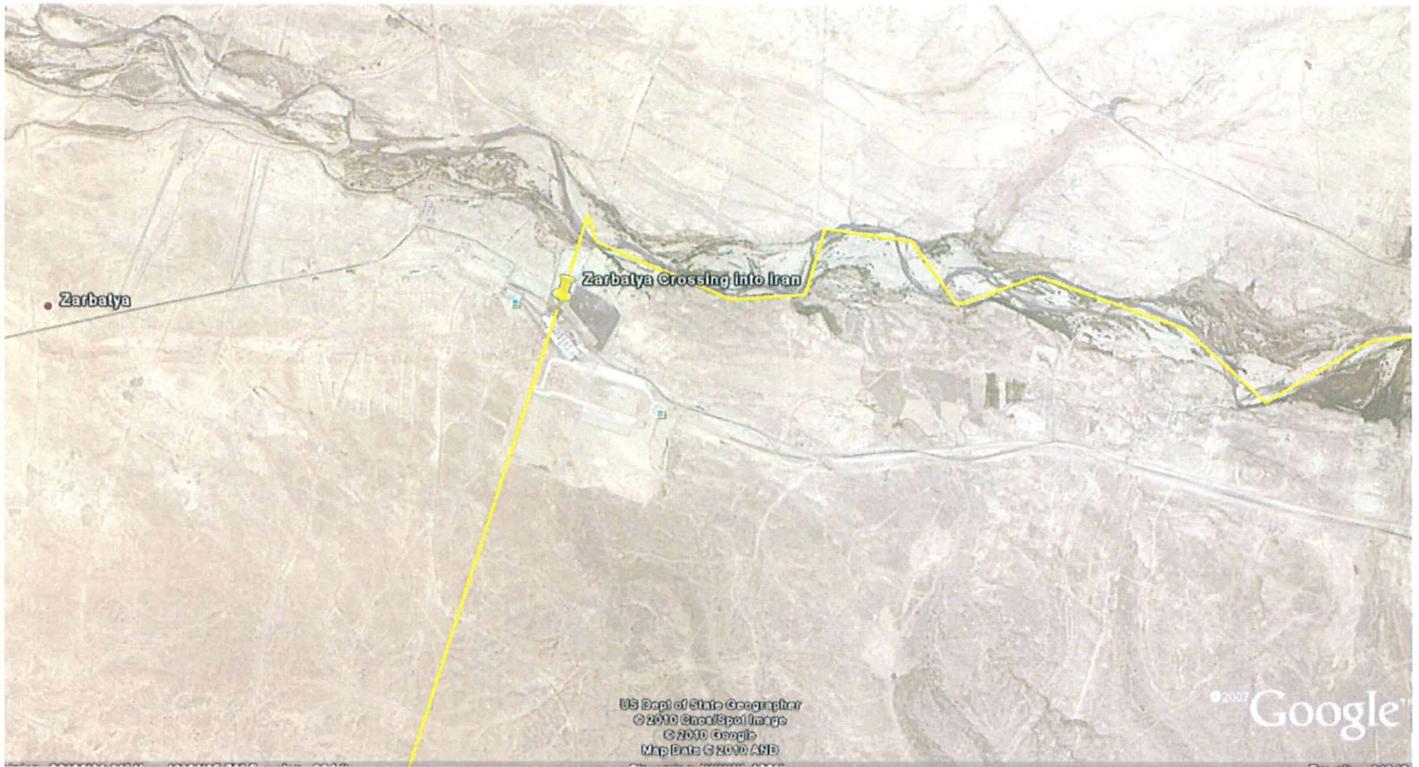
### Mehran Border crossing

**Mehran** is a city in Iran, near the country's western border in Ilam Province. Because of its strategic proximity - only two hours' drive from Baghdad - the city has played a continuing role in dealings between Iran and Iraq. It has a population of 50,000.

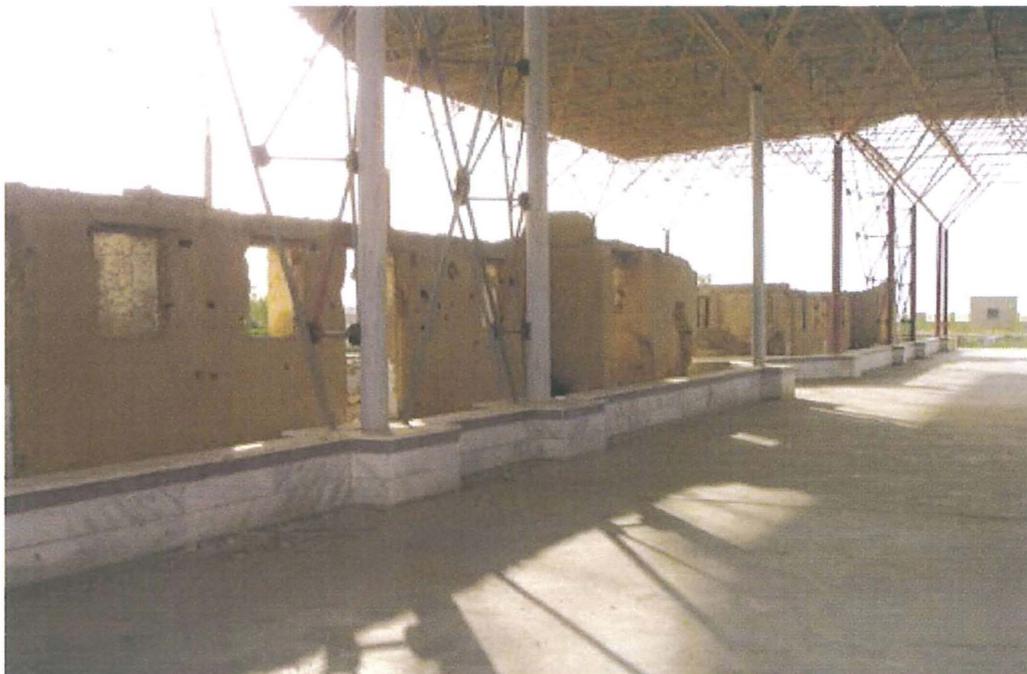
In March 2005 the Iranian government decreed that Iranian pilgrims could once again enter Iraq through Mehran; and in May 2005 it was reported that the city is to be converted into a special tourist zone from where Iranian pilgrims will travel toward Karbala and holy Shiite sites in Iraq, to be facilitated by the construction of several three and four star hotels. Note the Map below: **LAT: 33° 7'24.89"N and LONG: 46° 3'6.63"E**

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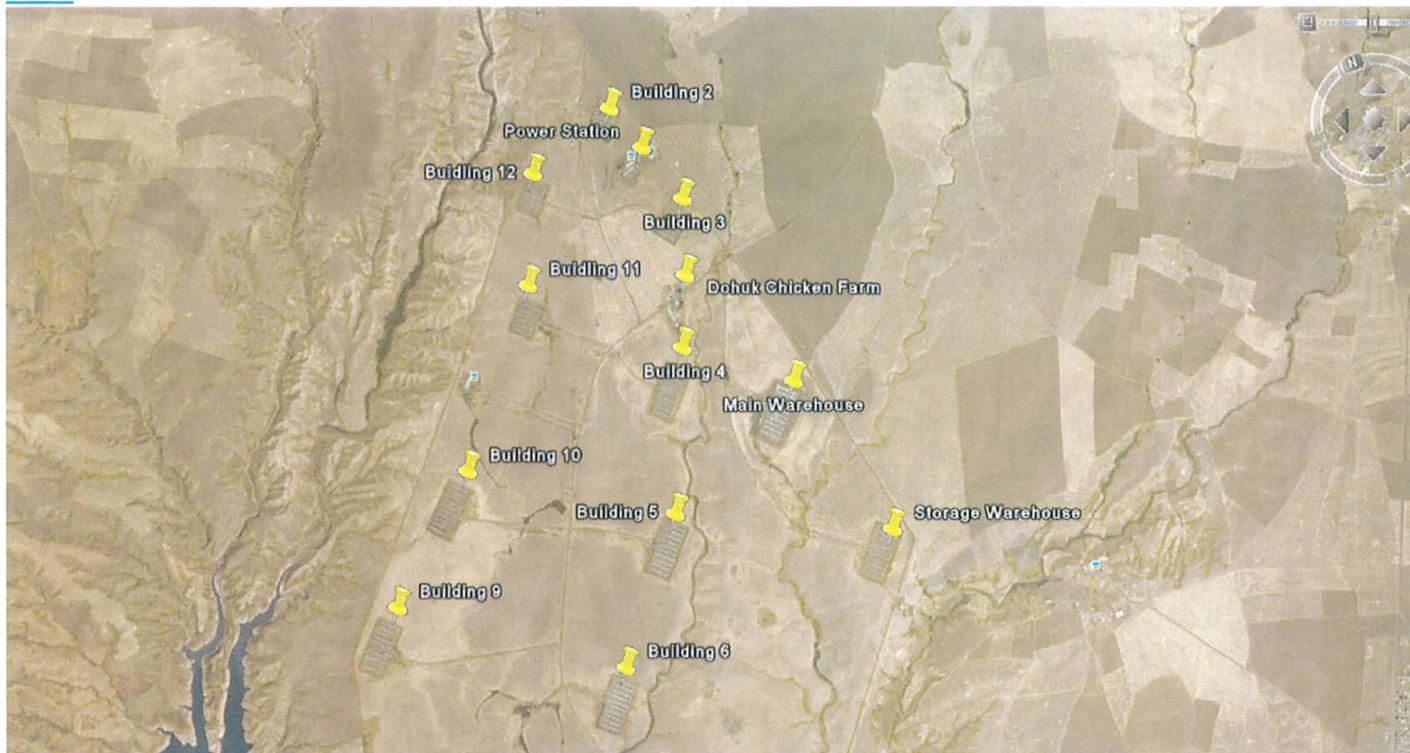
This is the covered access to the Iranian border where documents are checked.



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#### 4. WORK PERFORMED DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE

##### Site 1



The above is site once, a detail report was given December 2009, and this site as you can see is very fast in the land, location and number of building. There are three locations we have targeted based upon our Intel, our actual walking Recon and movements of vehicles. The main warehouse has offices, and printing machines, second location marked Storage warehouse, has the crates, pallets and product.

##### FACTORIES: NORTHERN IRAQ: ERBIL

##### Movements

- Site One: the Dohuk Chicken Factory: LAT 36°49'45.31", LONG 42°45'49.25". (Note above)
  - Number of trucks coming in and out of location: 15 per month
  - Day time visits: 5, our visits to the location
  - Types of vehicles , Cars, ½ tone cargo truck
  - Two open caged trucks from location to Sulaymayyah ( this truck had Marlboro)
  - Two trucks followed to Erbil Airport
  - Eight trucks crossing into to Baghdad

##### Site Two

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- Site two: LAT 36°13'30.71", LONG 44°02'51.67"
  - Number of trucks coming in and out of this location: 4 per month going to Erbil, Baghdad and Iran
  - Day time visit: 2 our visits to the location
  - Type of vehicle: cars and small pick-up trucks.

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Site two just added this external fuel tank



#### CENTRAL IRAQ: BAGHDAD:

- **Last month we reported the following:** We are working the markets and local vendors; we do have one location that has been flagged for follow-up this month as well as three locations in Karbala.  
This location is: Almared (Intel brief was provided)
- **Last month we reported:** We have a customer official who will be providing us information in Basra, this relationship is paid source.
- **Last month we reported:** we are working with Local IP Iraqi Police on buying information as it relates to Cigarette movements to locations. Dangerous, well being in Baghdad is dangerous, it is what it is, a way to gain information

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## LAND BORDERS:

- We have mapped out borders

## **PLAYERS**

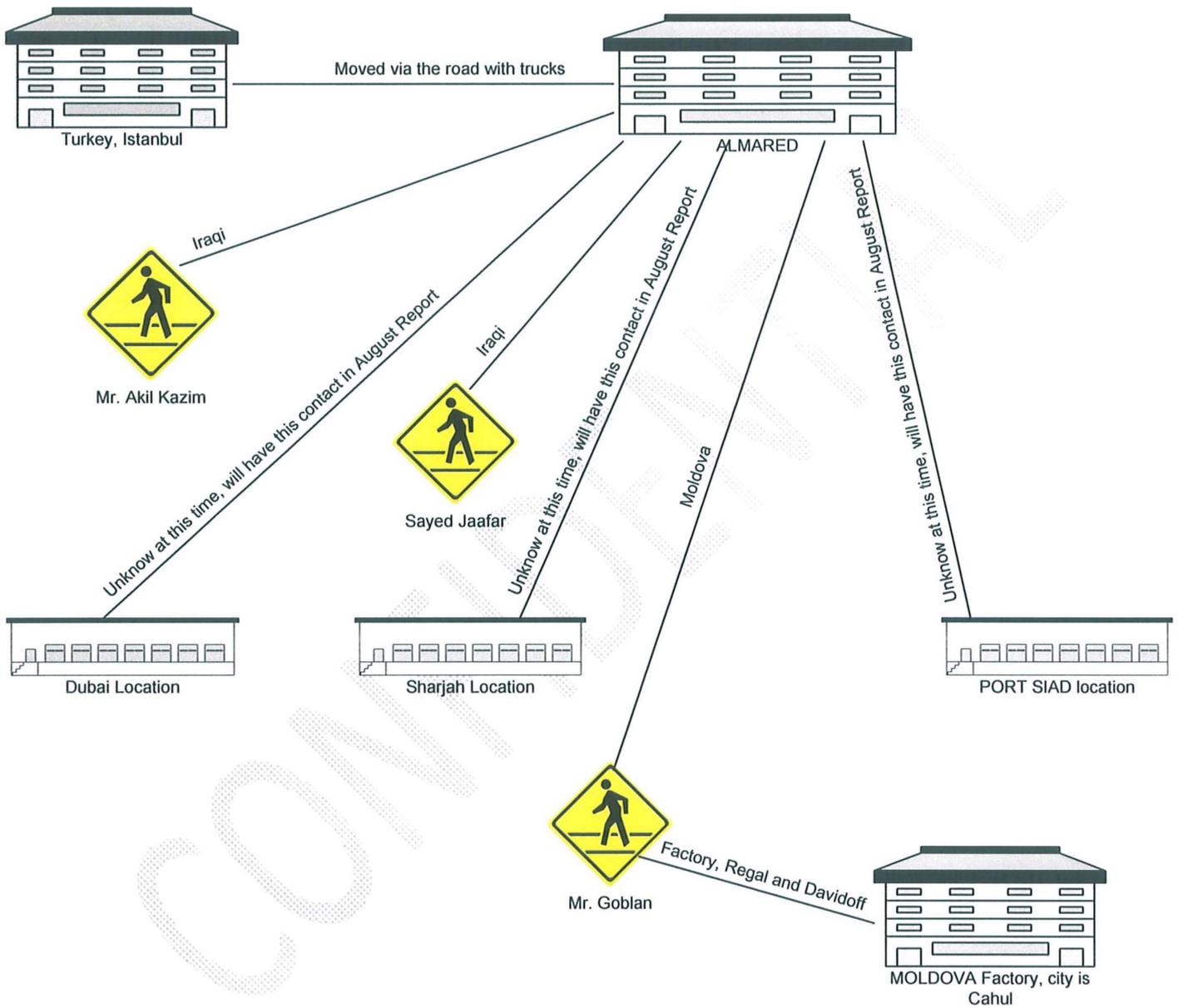
Dues to the time frame of having to submit this report, towards the end of this month we will have new information about two more locations and RUS aviation as well.

## **INTEL REPORTS**

Both Companies have received INTEL reports which I will not append to this document.

5. Diagram of Known Routes

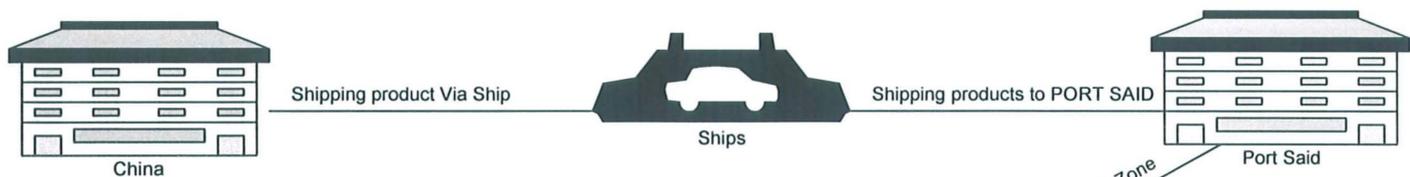
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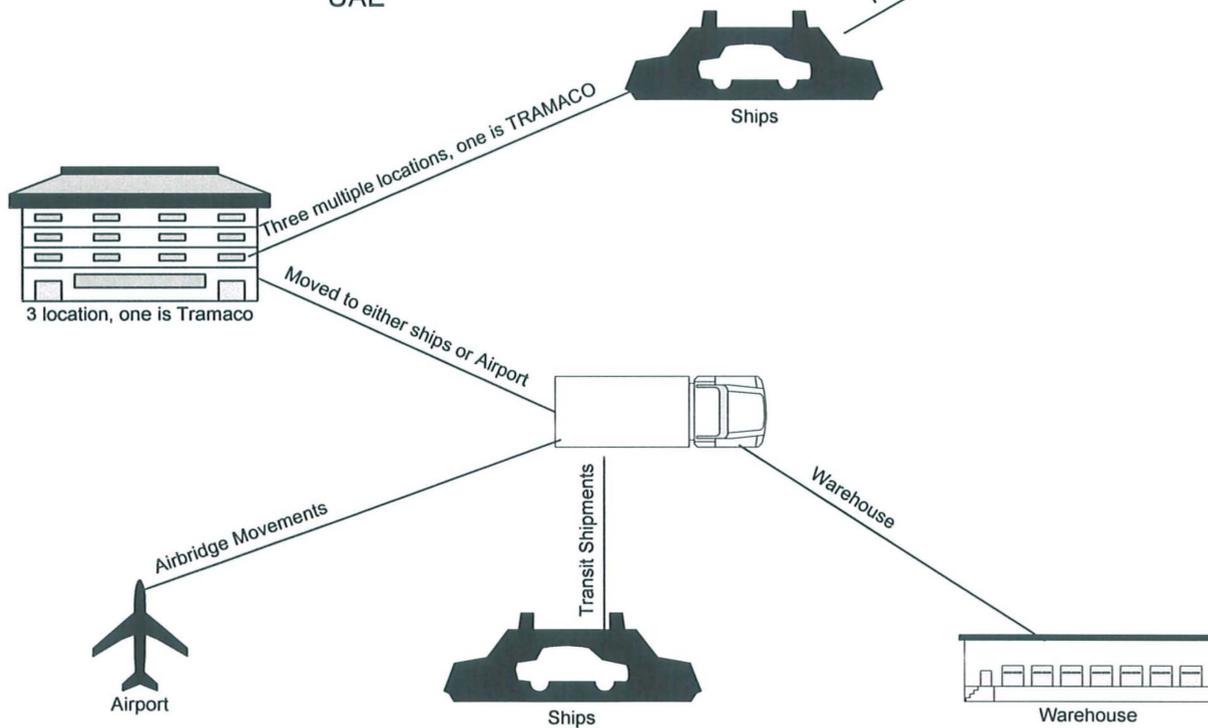
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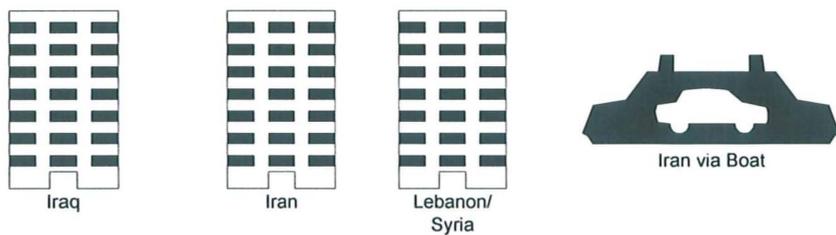
### Known Routes



These are products coming from China into the UAE

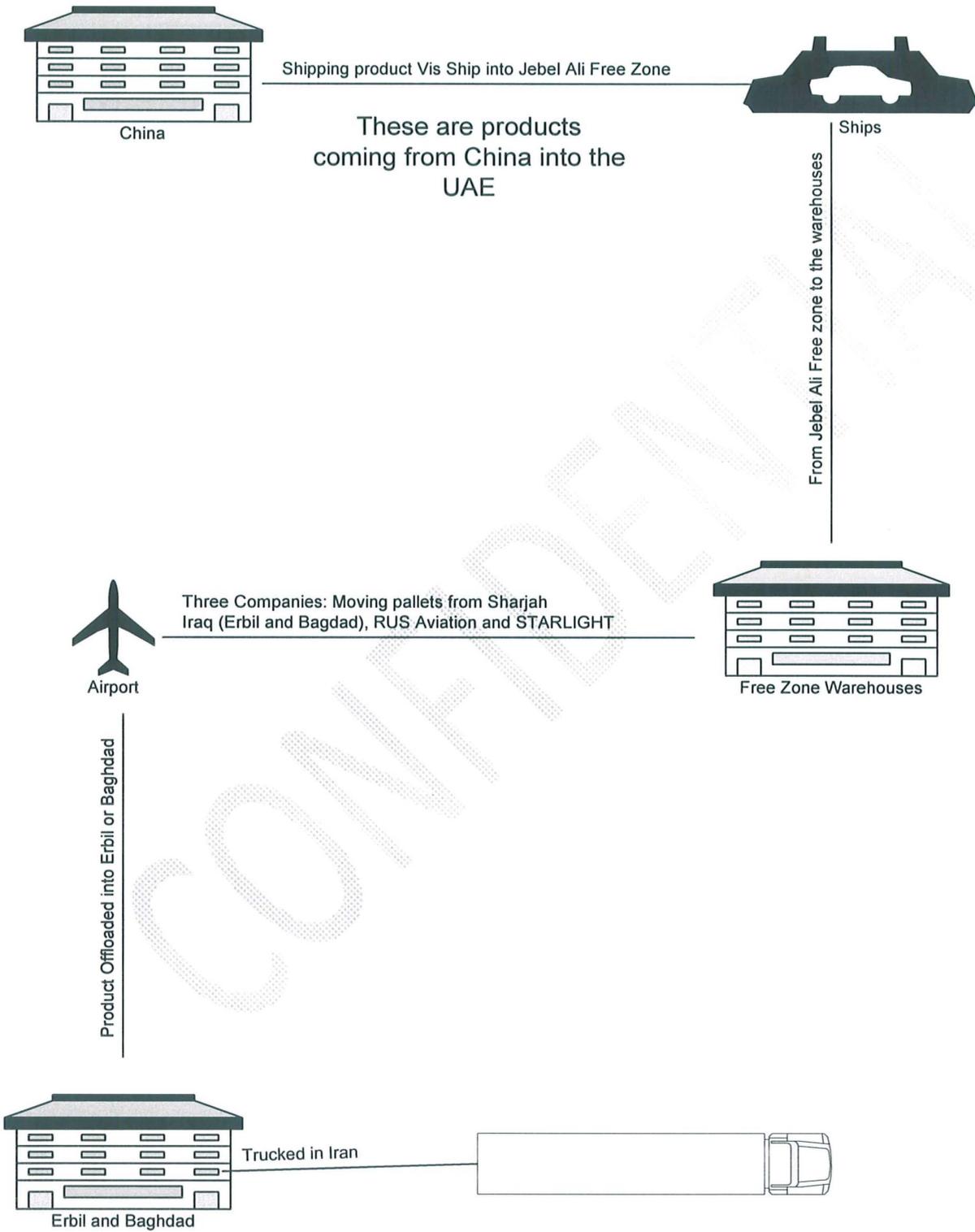


### Known Destinations



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# One Known Route

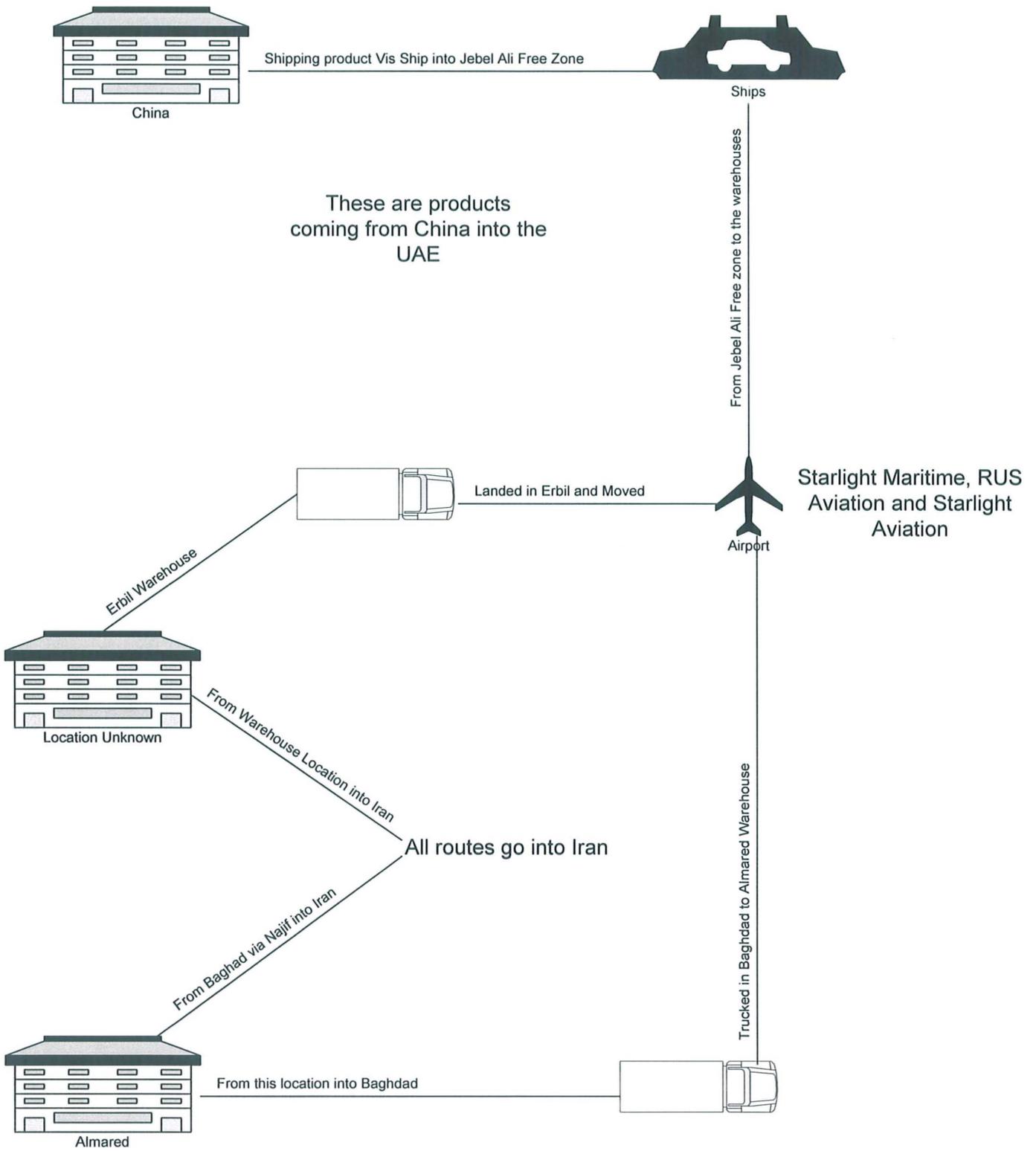


Three Companies: Moving pallets from Sharjah Iraq (Erbil and Bagdad), RUS Aviation and STARLIGHT

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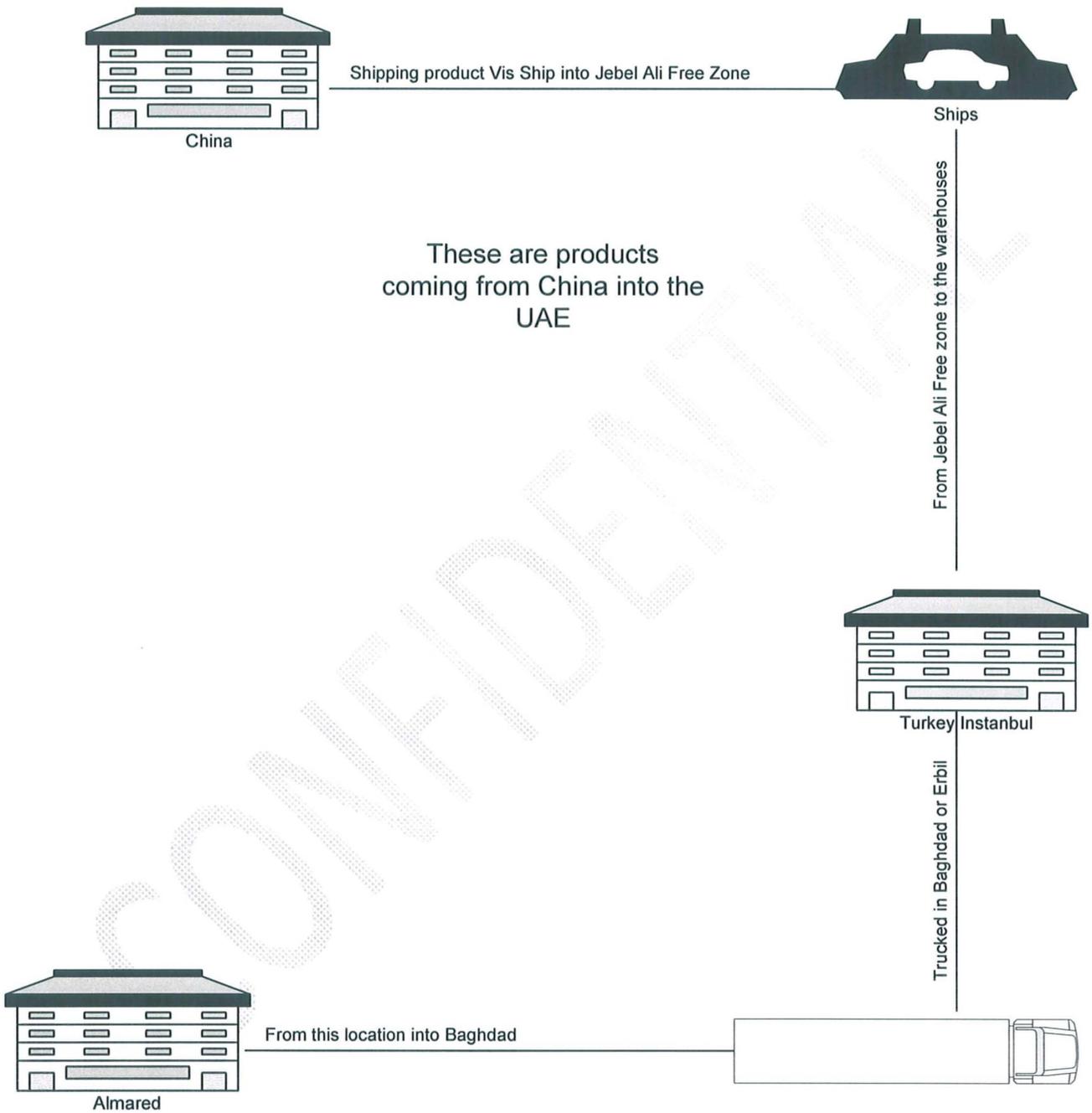
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# Airbridge Route



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# Turkey Route



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