



Dear partners & friends,

Mexico's response to COVID-19 virus

- The Mexican government has yet to formally move the entire country to Phase 3 of the Covid-19 pandemic and is looking at the country in subregions instead. Of the 2,463 municipalities in Mexico, the imposition of higher restrictions on people's movement, as if they are in Phase 3, has been recommended in 463 municipalities where there are larger outbreaks.
- The government has extended the Healthy Distance safety measures until May 30, although in areas where transmission is lower or non-existent, the measures may be lifted on May 17.
- Mexico and the United States have agreed to extend the restrictions on "non-essential" cross border land traffic for another 30 days. 'Non-essential' travel is defined as 'tourist or recreational' in nature.
- The use of face masks has been declared mandatory by local authorities in several states in Mexico, along with Mexico City (aka CDMX). To support this, metro workers will distribute free masks at several subway stations throughout CDMX and other cities, and people who do not wear a mask will not be allowed on public transit. Local authorities in other states where it has been made mandatory will also distribute masks for use in all public spaces.

As for an update on Gou Group, Mudanzas Gou and ATI remain fully functional and we are available to you and your customers for virtual surveys, counselling on import/export and documentation requirements, rate quotes, RFP responses and scheduling. As transportation is included in the Mexican government's list of essential services, we are still operational and crews are available to pack, load and deliver shipments as needed. And as a reminder, we can offer 60 days of SIT free of charge for both inbound and outbound shipments.

In closing, let me leave this you with this; there is a small silver lining here in CDMX despite all the disruption in life that the stay at home order has created, and it is that with the reduction in traffic and emptiness of the normally teeming streets and fast paced life in this city of 20 million people, the traditional grey and pollution filled skies have returned to a brilliant blue in Mexico City, like a ray of hope that the world has turned the corner and is preparing to climb out of what had begun to feel like an interminable crisis.

Stay happy and healthy my friends,

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