



CRITICAL LOGISTICS

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MIDDLE EAST OPERATIONS UPDATE

Regional Security Alert — Ongoing Iran/US-Israel Tensions & Strait of Hormuz Crisis

Dear Valued Clients,

This bulletin provides an operational status update across Move One's Middle East, Horn of Africa, and South/Central Asia network as of 7 March 2026. The region is experiencing its most severe logistics disruption in recent years following US-Israel strikes on Iran (28 February 2026) and subsequent Iranian retaliatory actions. The Strait of Hormuz — through which approximately 20% of global daily oil supply transits — is effectively closed, Persian Gulf container shipping has halted, and multiple country airspaces remain impacted. This edition includes expanded coverage of Sudan/Darfur, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Afghanistan and Pakistan.

Move One operations teams continue to monitor the situation in real time and are implementing contingency routing via Port of Salalah (Oman) and Cape of Good Hope alternatives. Please reach out to your dedicated Move One representative for shipment-specific guidance.

● OPEN / OPERATIONAL	● CLOSED / SUSPENDED	● DISRUPTED / RESTRICTED	● ADVISORY / INFORMATION
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⚠ CRITICAL MARITIME ADVISORY

STRAIT OF HORMUZ: NEAR-TOTAL TRAFFIC HALT
 The IRGC has declared the Strait of Hormuz under Iranian control. Multiple tanker attacks have occurred (MT Stena Imperative struck off Bahrain; MV Athe Nova targeted by drones). Over 150 vessels are anchored outside the strait with tanker traffic reduced by an estimated 70%+. Major carriers have suspended all Persian Gulf transits. This disruption affects approximately 20% of global daily oil supply. Move One advises all clients with Gulf-bound cargo to expect severe delays and consult your Move One representative immediately for rerouting options.
 RED SEA / BAB-EL-MANDEB: Houthis have threatened to resume attacks; Maersk, CMA CGM and Hapag-Lloyd are rerouting via Cape of Good Hope. Threat level elevated.

Strait of Hormuz	● CLOSED	IRGC blocking passage; multiple vessel incidents; 150+ ships anchored
Red Sea / Bab-el-Mandeb	● DISRUPTED	Houthi resumption threatened March 28; major carriers via Cape of Good Hope
Persian Gulf (general)	● CLOSED	Container shipping halted; zero vessel calls at major hubs; war risk insurance cancelled
Port of Salalah (Oman)	● OPERATIONAL	Key alternative transshipment hub; container terminal operational; general cargo suspended
Mediterranean Sea	● OPERATIONAL	Shipping lanes open; Suez connection disrupted; contingency rerouting in effect

IRAQ

Airspace (ORBB/Baghdad FIR)	● CLOSED	Closed following US-Israeli strikes Feb 28 and Iranian retaliation; no ETA for reopening
Port of Umm Qasr	● OPERATIONAL	No damage reported; security improvements underway; operations continuing normally
Safwan Border Crossing	● DISRUPTED	Open with significant delays; could close at short notice; heightened security checks

Ibrahim Khalil Crossing	● DISRUPTED	Open with delays; Kurdish region border; monitor for closures
Trebil Border Crossing	● DISRUPTED	Open; Iraq-Jordan crossing; most major routes open but delays expected
US Embassy Baghdad	● DISRUPTED	Operating under security constraints; non-emergency services reduced

KUWAIT		
Airspace / Kuwait Intl Airport	● DISRUPTED	Airport suspended operations; partial airspace reopened March 6 with restrictions; Kuwait repelling drone/missile waves
Port of Shuwaikh	● OPERATIONAL	Normal operations; redirecting vessels from Shuaiba
Mina Al Ahmadi	● OPERATIONAL	Security raised to Level 2; operational; Shuaiba vessels redirected here
Mina Abdulla	● OPERATIONAL	Operational; security level elevated
Mina Al Zour	● OPERATIONAL	Operational; monitoring ongoing regional situation
US Embassy Kuwait	● DISRUPTED	Operating with restrictions; shelter-in-place advisories in effect

SAUDI ARABIA (KSA)		
Airspace	● DISRUPTED	Partial closures near Iraq/Gulf border areas; 9 drones and 2 cruise missiles intercepted; emergency procedures may activate
Ras Tanura Port	● DISRUPTED	Drone strike on refinery complex March 2; limited damage; temporary closure; monitor for reopening
King Abdulaziz Port (Dammam)	● OPERATIONAL	Normal operations; elevated security posture
Jeddah Islamic Port	● OPERATIONAL	Normal operations; Red Sea routing restrictions applied
US Embassy Riyadh	● ADVISORY	Operating under security alert; missile/drone intercepts in KSA territory

QATAR		
Hamad Intl Airport (DOH)	● DISRUPTED	Partially reopened March 6 for designated evacuations and limited cargo; 2,000+ flights cancelled; Qatar struck by 14 ballistic missiles and 4 drones
Qatar Airways	● SUSPENDED	Extended flight suspension; next update expected March 7 at 09:00 local
Maritime Navigation	● OPERATIONAL	Port operations continuing; elevated security alert; LNG shipments monitored
US Embassy Doha	● ADVISORY	Operating under security alert; increased force protection measures

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (UAE)		
Dubai Intl Airport (DXB)	● DISRUPTED	Limited operations resumed evening March 2; flydubai resumed reduced schedule March 5; structural damage assessed

Abu Dhabi Intl Airport (AUH)	● DISRUPTED	Partial operations resumed March 2; reduced capacity; monitor schedules
Jebel Ali Port	● OPERATIONAL	Terminal operations normal as of March 5; contingency protocols active
Hamriya / Sharjah Ports	● OPERATIONAL	Normal operations; supporting Jebel Ali overflow as needed
US Embassy Abu Dhabi	● ADVISORY	Operating with restrictions; heightened security measures in place

BAHRAIN

Bahrain Intl Airport	● SUSPENDED	Indefinite suspension since March 1; Iranian targets struck US bases in Bahrain Feb 28
Khalifa Bin Salman Port	● OPERATIONAL	Fully operational; efficient processing; solar-powered terminal
King Fahd Causeway	● OPERATIONAL	Full capacity; smooth processing both directions
US Embassy / 5th Fleet	● DISRUPTED	Heightened security alert; Iranian responses targeted US Bahrain-based assets; Americans advised to consider departure

DJIBOUTI

Djibouti Airport (JIB)	● OPERATIONAL	Civilian and military joint-use; 75% military traffic; supporting CJTF-HOA operations
Port of Djibouti	● OPERATIONAL	Operational; key alternate routing hub; US lease extends through 2034
Camp Lemonnier / Chabelley	● ADVISORY	CJTF-HOA HQ operating; heightened security; US Embassy advises avoiding Embassy perimeter area
US Embassy Djibouti	● ADVISORY	Security alert in effect; avoid Embassy vicinity; no specific direct threat identified

JORDAN

Airspace / Queen Alia Airport	● OPERATIONAL	Jordanian airspace open; daily flights operating normally
Port of Aqaba	● OPERATIONAL	All operations normal; increased demand as regional alternative
King Hussein Bridge (Allenby)	● DISRUPTED	Operating 09:00–16:00 (closed Saturdays); delays expected; shelter-in-place advisories March 3-6
Trebil / Karameh Crossing	● DISRUPTED	Open; Iraq–Jordan route; monitor for closures; delays reported
US Embassy Amman	● DISRUPTED	Security alert in effect; ACS appointments cancelled; shelter-in-place advisories issued

ISRAEL

Ben Gurion Airport (TLV)	● DISRUPTED	Phased reopening began March 5-6; 3,500 citizens repatriated March 5; security-restricted operations; repatriation flights ongoing
Port of Haifa	● OPERATIONAL	Continuing normal operations; elevated security posture

Port of Ashdod	● OPERATIONAL	Continuing normal operations
Port of Eilat	● OPERATIONAL	Operating; Red Sea access restricted; alternative maritime routes in use
Allenby Bridge	● DISRUPTED	Restricted operations; aligned with King Hussein Bridge hours (Jordan side)
US Embassy Tel Aviv	● ADVISORY	Operating under security constraints; heightened alert

PS GAZA

Border Crossings (Kerem Shalom / Rafah / Erez)	● MIXED STATUS	Kerem Shalom/Karem Abu Salem: OPEN for humanitarian aid entry. Israeli authorities (COGAT) have authorised gradual entry of aid, including fuel and humanitarian supplies arriving via Israel and Egypt. Rafah crossing: CLOSED. Erez/Zikim crossings: CLOSED. International humanitarian staff rotations remain suspended. Clients must pre-coordinate all movements through their Move One account manager.
Movements Toward Border Crossings	● ADVISORY	Traffic volume toward Kerem Shalom is currently very low due to intense insecurity within Israel. Convoys and aid organisations are advised to conduct full risk assessment before approaching the crossing. Move One recommends clients contact their account manager for the latest ground-level intelligence before dispatching vehicles toward any border crossing.
Domestic Deliveries (In-Territory Operations)	● CONTINUING	Domestic delivery operations within Gaza are continuing. Move One maintains a substantial in-territory presence and is actively operating.
Move One Gaza Operations	● ADVISORY	Move One is the largest and most active logistics operator inside Gaza, with a significant local staff presence, established infrastructure, and a wide customer base of international humanitarian organisations. Our teams on the ground continue to coordinate and fulfil deliveries within the territory. Clients with active shipments or operational requirements inside Gaza should contact their dedicated account manager for the latest status.

DJIBOUTI

Djibouti Airport (JIB)	● OPERATIONAL	Civilian and military joint-use; 75% military traffic; supporting CJTF-HOA operations; key staging hub
Port of Djibouti	● OPERATIONAL	Fully operational; critical gateway for landlocked Ethiopia; increased demand as Horn of Africa alternative hub; US lease through 2034
Camp Lemonnier / Chabelley	● ADVISORY	CJTF-HOA HQ operating; heightened security posture; critical US military footprint in Africa
US Embassy Djibouti	● ADVISORY	Security alert in effect; advises avoiding Embassy perimeter area; no specific direct threat identified

ERITREA

Asmara Intl Airport (ASM)	● OPERATIONAL	Main international airport operational; limited connectivity; recent security screening upgrades
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Port of Massawa	● ADVISORY	Operational but under intelligence alert: Iran reportedly reestablished access for sanctions-evasion cargo and drone/weapons transfers as of March 2026. Verify cargo origins carefully.
Port of Assab	● ADVISORY	Operational; similar Iranian facility access concerns as Massawa; combined capacity 2.5 million tons; assess reputational and compliance risk for shipments transiting
General Security	● ADVISORY	Infrastructure functional; geopolitical concern elevated due to Iranian sanctions evasion activity; Horn of Africa tensions provide secondary risk environment

ETHIOPIA

Addis Ababa Bole Airport (ADD)	● OPERATIONAL	Africa's largest airfreight hub; 400,000+ tons annually; specialisation in perishables, pharma, electronics; high utilisation with some apron congestion
Djibouti Port Access (landlocked)	● OPERATIONAL	Ethiopia dependent on Djibouti corridor for maritime trade; Djibouti–Addis Ababa rail/road corridor functional
Tigray Region	● DISRUPTED	Renewed fighting between ENDF and Tigray Security Forces (Jan–Feb 2026); 1M+ IDPs; 80% of population requires emergency assistance; WFP operations constrained
General Freight & Logistics	● ADVISORY	National logistics operational; Bole airport at high capacity — plan for congestion; customs efficiency variable; avoid Tigray for surface freight

SUDAN

Khartoum Airport	● DISRUPTED	First scheduled civilian flight Feb 1 2026 (28 aircraft destroyed on tarmac); 4 flights/day capacity only; government returned to capital Jan 2026; ongoing drone attack threat
Port Sudan	● DISRUPTED	Sudan's primary functioning sea/air gateway; WFP UN Humanitarian Air Service operating (Nairobi/Amman links); 9 UN agencies with logistics cluster storage; under military/security pressure
Darfur Region	● CLOSED	Active conflict; mass displacement; no commercial operations possible; severe humanitarian crisis; famine conditions; all standard overland routes inaccessible
Adré Border (Chad)	● CLOSED	Chad closed all Sudan borders Feb 22 2026 to prevent conflict spillover; Adré crossing suspended; population surged from 20,000 to 250,000 due to refugee influx
Western Sudan Crossings	● CLOSED	Fighting throughout Darfur prevents normal border operations; humanitarian corridors established but subject to security conditions and prior authorisation
Move One: Darfur Reefer Capability	● ADVISORY	Move One maintains a unique operational capability to deliver perishable medicine and food into Darfur from Chad using our own dedicated fleet of reefer trucks. This service is available for authorised humanitarian, NGO and government clients. Contact your Move One account manager for access and coordination.

AFGHANISTAN		
Kabul Intl Airport (OAKB)	● DISRUPTED	Airspace uncontrolled (Class G); no ATC service; 72-hour prior permission required; 15-minute spacing requirement; commercial traffic transiting via P500/G500 routes
Torkham Crossing (Pakistan)	● CLOSED	Closed due to Afghanistan–Pakistan military escalation (Feb 2026 cross-border strikes); 66,000 displaced; highly volatile Durand Line tensions
Spin Boldak Crossing (Pakistan)	● DISRUPTED	Limited capacity for Afghan returnees only; Takhtapul reception centre impacted by strikes; humanitarian operations affected
Islam Qala Crossing (Iran)	● OPERATIONAL	Border stable; normal trade flow continuing
Hairatan Crossing (Uzbekistan)	● OPERATIONAL	Reopened November 2025 after 4-year closure; railway operations extended through 2026; DP World infrastructure upgrade underway; primary northern trade corridor

PAKISTAN		
Islamabad Airport (ISB)	● OPERATIONAL	Fully operational; no disruptions
Karachi Airport (KHI)	● DISRUPTED	Selected ATS routes unavailable 09:00–15:00 PKT (March 3–31) due to military drills; alternative routing available outside restricted hours
Lahore Airport (LHE)	● DISRUPTED	Same 09:00–15:00 PKT restriction (March 3–31); 184 international flights cancelled to Gulf destinations due to regional airspace disruptions
Karachi Port & Port Qasim	● OPERATIONAL	Active vessel movements; LNG, containers, coal and bulk cargo handled; Port Qasim handles 35% of Pakistan's maritime cargo; ranked 9th in World Bank CPPI 2024
Torkham Crossing (Afghanistan)	● CLOSED	Closed due to Afghanistan–Pakistan military escalation; daily trade value ~\$3M when operational; border extremely volatile
US Embassy Islamabad	● ADVISORY	Operating; security alert related to regional tensions; standard heightened posture

GENERAL ADVISORY

Move One teams are actively managing contingency routings across our Middle East network. Key recommendations for clients:

Air Freight: Avoid Bahrain, Qatar (Qatar Airways suspended), Iraq airspace. Use Dubai (DXB/limited) and Abu Dhabi (AUH/partial) with contingency plans. Jordan (AMM) remains the most stable regional alternative.

Sea Freight: Persian Gulf transits suspended by major carriers. Reroute via Port of Salalah (Oman) as primary transshipment alternative. Cape of Good Hope rerouting now required for Red Sea-bound cargo. Expect significant transit time increases of 14–21 days for affected routes.

Road Freight: Jordan crossings (Allenby/Trebil/Karameh) operating with delays. Saudi land borders functional but with enhanced security checks. Iraq crossings open but could close at short notice.

Staff & Personnel: Non-essential travel to Bahrain, Iraq, Qatar, and Gaza should be postponed. US Embassy security alerts are in effect across all Gulf states. Move One HR teams are in contact with all staff in affected areas.

Afghanistan/Pakistan: Torkham crossing closed due to military escalation. Route Afghanistan cargo via Hairatan (Uzbekistan) northern corridor. Pakistan ports fully operational; note 09:00–15:00 PKT airspace restrictions at KHI/LHE through March 31.

Sudan / Darfur — Move One Unique Capability: Move One operates a dedicated fleet of reefer trucks capable of delivering perishable medicine and food into Darfur from Chad. This proprietary capability is available to authorised

humanitarian, NGO and government clients and represents one of very few reliable cold-chain supply routes into the region. Contact your Move One account manager to arrange coordination.

Eritrea: Iranian sanctions evasion activity reported at Massawa and Assab ports (March 2026). Clients are advised to exercise enhanced due diligence on any cargo transiting Eritrean facilities and consult compliance teams before routing shipments through these ports.

Ethiopia: Addis Ababa Bole Airport operational and serving as Africa's primary airfreight hub; plan for congestion. Tigray region remains conflict-affected — avoid for surface freight. Djibouti port corridor is the primary maritime gateway.

This report will be updated daily or as significant changes occur. For urgent operational queries, please contact your Move One account manager directly.