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Volcanic Eruption Continues to Affect Mail Delivery

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The volcanic eruption in Iceland has strengthened and a new ash cloud is spreading south and east towards the UK. Iceland has also warned that a second volcano, which erupts every 100 years, may also erupt at any time. As a result, mail operators across Europe continue to seek out alternative means to transport mail, with many already using temporary road routes in order to keep as much mail moving as possible. Limited air traffic resumed in the UK today; however, with the new ash cloud expected, flights will likely come to a halt again mid-day. There is still a ban on flights under 20,000 feet which will remain in place for an unspecified amount of time until air traffic returns to normal. Reports indicate that even after flight schedules return to normal, the backlog resulting from the disruption will potentially cause mail delivery delays for several days. Consequently, mail operators across Europe continue to seek out alternative arrangements for transporting mail.

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Brokers Worldwide will continue to collect all mail bound for the affected countries from our customers; however, delivery delays can be expected as a result of the volcanic disruption. We will continue to monitor this situation, and will provide our customers with updates as they become available.

Regards,
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