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Al Kuwait LNC 11558 – Voyage update 1	
Report Dates	19 th – 22 nd June
Voyage Days	1 - 4
(of total 12)	
General health and welfare comments	Sheep traveling well. Some sheep exhibiting soreness and stiffness in the first few days of the voyage. Sheep respiratory rates have been recorded as normal from days 1-4. Deck flooring and bedding is reported as dry and comfortable.
Deck	Deck temperatures that the sheep experience have been generally mild on
environmental conditions	days 1-4. The maximum temperature records on the daily reports was on day 4 with 27°C DBT, 25°C WBT and 84% humidity on some decks. There are small differences between the upper open deck and lower enclosed deck temperatures.
Mortalities update	6 mortalities (0.017% of the 33,341 hd loaded) reported by the veterinarian were due various causes including - pneumonia, infection and injuries.
Treatments update	32 animals treatments for various different disease processes. These sheep are in hospital pens being cared for by the veterinarian and stock people. Another 49 animals are under observation to monitor health and welfare and provided supportive care though roughage, no treatment required at this stage.
Weather forecasts	 Exporter and vessel continue to review updated forecast and meteorological advice to manage the route and risks of heat stress (high WBT and humidity). Current forecasts notes; The vessel will cross the equator in coming day and will experience some lighter winds for around 6-12 hours leading to increased wet bulb temperatures of 28°C. At 2S of equator the vessel will pass through SW monsoon with increased wind speeds stabilising or reducing wet bulb temperatures. The highest risk WBT temperatures for the voyage are forecast from the tip of the Strait of Hormuz to the central Persian Gulf region which could reach 30-31°C for 12-24 hours during the final part of the of the passage before reaching lower temperatures and WBT of 20 °C in Kuwait port when discharging will begin.
Active Voyage Management	Active voyage management meetings are occurring regularly with expert panel input on weather routing, animal physiology and livestock management.

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