China

The General Administration of Customs of Peoples Republic of China (GACC) has released announcement (2017) No.56, adjusting rules on Manifest Data declaration items. **This rule will be enforced on "Imports into" or "Transshipments via" China, arriving on or after 1st June 2018.** No grace period has been announced.

Main adjustments are:

- Enforcement of Advanced Manifest Submission (24Hours prior to Loading) for goods (local Import + Transhipment) discharged in ALL Chinese ports
- Bills of Lading data submitted must contain a detailed, complete and accurate goods description
- Additional data elements which must be included are listed in following table:

	New data elements	Requirement
For Consignor (Shipper)	Company Registration No.	Mandatory
	Phone Number	Mandatory
	AEO Status	Optional
For Consignee	Company name	Mandatory if not "To Order"
	Company code	Mandatory if not "To Order"
	Phone Number	Mandatory if not "To Order"
	Contact person Name and number	Mandatory if not "To Order"
	AEO Status	Optional
For Notify Party	Company code	Mandatory if Consignee "To Order"
	Phone Number	Mandatory if Consignee "To Order"

GACC advisory in reference: Notice of the General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China No. 56 of 2017 (Announcement on Adjusting Matters Concerning the Inward and Outward Transport Vehicles and Manifest Supervision of Water and Air Transport). Full details <u>here</u> (in Mandarin)