FIATA has been informed by AAACI that the Argentinean Authorities have announced the enforcement of the new regulation AFIP 2744/09 for all Import Cargo to Argentina effective 17 May, 2010 for the C.U.I.T. number respectively on 1 July 2010 for the customs code number.

The new regulation establishes that all carriers must provide with in Cargo Manifest and Bills of Lading or Air Waybill for all cargo destined to any Argentinean ports below listed items. Therefore, it is very important that all below required items must reflect on all master-shipping instructions:

- **Shipper** complete information.
- **Consignee** information, full address, with the corresponding (C.U.I.T)-Individual Taxpayer Identification Number when concerning Companies and (C.U.I.T) when concerning to Argentinean citizen, including telephone, fax, city and contact person. (Every consignee in Argentina must have a so-called C.U.I.T. number)
- **Notify party** with the respective (C.U.I.T) number.
- **Description of goods**, avoiding general descriptions that do not allow proper identification of the merchandise, such as “general cargo”, “FAK”, “dry cargo”, “chemicals”, etc.
- **Quantity of packages** (number) and **measurement** (Cubic Meter).
- **Gross weight or volume**.
- **NCM number**, this code identifies the goods (same number than the Harmonized Codes); NCM must appear under description of goods, under each commodity description.
- Place of origin of goods.
- Port of Loading.
- Port of Discharge.
- Place of Final Delivery.
- **Container number(s)**, quantity of container(s) and container type.
- **Seal number** for each container.
- **Consolidated Cargo** – In cases when consignee is the forwarder and they are not the final recipient of the cargo, it is required to indicate “Consolidated Cargo “with cargo description section. (Bills of lading or House Air Waybills issued by freight forwarders have the same requirements as the ocean bills of lading or Master Air Waybills)
- For **Dangerous Cargoes**, please also provide: Class (IMO), Division, and UN Number, Packing Group, Technical Name, as well as a telephone number in case of emergency, as stated in the B/L or AWB.

All information is **mandatory**, failure to submit complete and accurate master BL or AWB before loading, may result in fines as well as extra charges at the Argentinean destinations. In order for you to avoid fines or extra cost associated with any efforts to mitigate expenses and risk, please provide your complete master instruction as per the required procedure:
2) Submit Complete Master Shipping Instructions the latest by noon on the day of cargo cut off.

The freight forwarders in Argentina appreciate the efforts of the freight forwarders abroad that they will comply with the Argentinean Authorities requirements. Should you have questions or require further information regarding this subject, please contact:

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