

Regarding letter from Norwegian Committee for Western Sahara

Dear Mr. Hagen,
Equinor's President and CEO Eldar Sætre has asked me as Senior Vice President for Marketing & Trading to answer your letter of 21 April 2020.

We can confirm that the cargo in question, butane from Kårstø, was sold to the company Gulf Petrochem for delivery in the port of Laayoune. Laayoune is a widely used import port for petroleum products and other products. This was the first time we have sold a cargo for delivery in Laayoune. It was a spot cargo and we do not have any other agreements for deliveries to Laayoune. We had no involvement in the cargo from Stenungsund referred to in your letter.

The contract was subject to a standard due diligence process which includes checking if there are relevant sanctions related to the customer and the port of delivery. The finding was that there were no formal sanctions or embargos from neither Norway, the EU, the US or the UN. However, our procedures unfortunately failed to capture how the position of the Norwegian authorities still differs from that of many other nations. We regret this and are now amending our procedures to capture the Norwegian position.

Best regards,
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SVP Marketing & Trading
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