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LIBYA SUSPENDS OIL EXPORTS TO U.S.

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(TEXT) TRIP LI--ARNA HAS LEARNED THAT THE LIBYAN ARAB REPUBLIC HAS DECIDED TO SUSPEND OIL EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES, INCLUDING CRUDE OIL AND ALL OIL BYPRODUCTS, AS OF TODAY.

IT IS NOTEWORTHY THAT U.S. IMPORTS OF LIBYAN CRIDE OIL TOTAL 200,000 BARRELS DAILY, OR 11.1 PERCENT OF THE LIBYAN ARAB REPUBLIC'S OIL OUTPUT. LIBYA HAS ALSO DECIDED TO REDUCE ITS DAILY PRODUCTION OF OIL BY 5 PERCENT.

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