THE Alliance announces completed product and unveils unique contingency plan

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THE Alliance has announced its final network after all needed preparations have been finalized. The product starting from April 2017 features fast transit times, a comprehensive port coverage and deployment of modern and most efficient ships.

This is thanks to the "best ship for the loop principle" and a dedicated shuttle service design. More than 240 ships will be deployed in 32 services connecting over 75 major ports throughout Asia, North Europe, the Mediterranean, North America, Canada, Mexico, Central America, the Caribbean, Indian Subcontinent and the Middle East with a wide range of direct port-port-connections.

The final port rotations of the total 32 services will be as follows:

Asia and North Europe

FE 1: Kobe - Nagoya - Shimizu - Tokyo - Singapore - Jeddah - Rotterdam - Hamburg -Southampton - Le Havre - Singapore - Kobe FF 2: Xingang – Dalian – Qingdao – Shanghai – Ningbo – Hong Kong – Yantian – Singapore – Tangier - Southampton - Hamburg - Rotterdam - Le Havre - Tangier - Jebel Ali - Hong Kong – Qingdao – Xingang FE 3: Hong Kong – Xiamen – Kaohsiung – Yantian – Rotterdam – Hamburg – Antwerp – London Gateway - Piraeus - Singapore - Hong Kong FF 4: Pusan - Ningbo - Shanghai - Rotterdam - Hamburg - Antwerp - Southampton -Shekou - Yantian - Pusan FE 5: Laem Chabang - Cai Mep - Singapore - Colombo - Rotterdam - Hamburg - Antwerp -London Gateway - Jeddah - Colombo - Singapore - Laem Chabang

Asia and the Mediterranean

MD 1: Qingdao – Shanghai – Ningbo – Yantian – Singapore – Damietta – Barcelona – Valencia – Fos – Genoa – Damietta – Singapore – Shekou – Qingdao

MD 2:

Pusan – Ningbo – Shanghai – Kaohsiung – Yantian – Singapore – Jeddah –Genoa – La Spezia – Barcelona – Valencia – Singapore – Hong Kong – Pusan

MD 3:

Pusan – Shanghai – Ningbo – Yantian – Singapore – Jeddah – Ashdod – Piraeus – Istanbul (Ambarli) – Izmir/Aliaga – Mersin – Jeddah – Singapore – Kaohsiung – Pusan

Asia and the Middle East

AGX: Pusan – Qingdao – Shanghai – Ningbo – Shekou – Singapore – Jebel Ali – Dammam – Jubail – Abu Dhabi – Port Kelang – Singapore – Ningbo – Pusan

Transpacific - West Coast

PN 1:

Qingdao – Shanghai – Nagoya – Tokyo – Tacoma – Vancouver – Tokyo – Nagoya – Kobe – Qingdao

PN 2: Singapore – Laem Chabang – Cai Mep – Kaohsiung – Yantian – Tacoma – Vancouver – Tokyo – Kobe – Kaohsiung – Singapore

PN 3: Hong Kong – Yantian – Ningbo – Shanghai – Pusan – Vancouver – Seattle – Pusan – Hong Kong

PS 1: Kobe – Nagoya – Tokyo – Sendai – Los Angeles/Long Beach – Oakland – Tokyo – Nagoya – Kobe

PS 2:

Kobe - Nagoya - Shimizu - Tokyo - Los Angeles/Long Beach - Oakland -Tokyo - Kobe

PS 3: Singapore – Laem Chabang – Cai Mep – Hong Kong – Los Angeles/Long Beach – Oakland – Tokyo – Hong Kong – Singapore

PS 4:

Hong Kong – Yantian – Kaohsiung – Keelung – Los Angeles/Long Beach – Oakland – Keelung – Kaohsiung – Da Chan Bay – Hong Kong

PS 5:

Shanghai - Ningbo - Los Angeles/Long Beach - Oakland - Shanghai

PS 6:

Qingdao – Ningbo – Shanghai – Pusan – Los Angeles/Long Beach – Oakland – Pusan – Qingdao

PS 7:

Xiamen – Hong Kong – Yantian – Los Angeles/Long Beach – Xiamen

PS 8:

Dalian – Xingang – Qingdao – Pusan – Los Angeles/Long Beach – Oakland – Pusan – Kwangyang – Dalian

Transpacific - East Coast (via Panama and Suez)

EC 1:

Ningbo – Shanghai – Pusan – Tokyo – (Panama Canal) – Manzanillo – Savannah – Jacksonville – Charleston – Norfolk – Miami (Seasonal) – Manzanillo – (Panama Canal) – Balboa – Los Angeles/Long Beach – Oakland – Tokyo – Kobe – Ningbo

EC 2:

Qingdao – Ningbo – Shanghai – Pusan – (Panama Canal) – New York – Boston – Wilmington – Savannah – (Panama Canal) – Pusan – Qingdao

EC 3:

Kaohsiung – Xiamen – Hong Kong – Yantian – Shanghai – (Panama Canal) – Savannah – Norfolk – (Panama Canal) – Balboa – Pusan – Kaohsiung

EC 4:

Kaohsiung – Hong Kong – Yantian – Cai Mep – Singapore – (Suez Canal) – New York – Norfolk – Savannah – Jacksonville – Charleston – (Suez Canal) – Singapore – Kaohsiung EC 5:

Laem Chabang – Cai Mep – Singapore – Colombo – (Suez Canal) – Halifax – New York – Savannah – Norfolk – Halifax – (Suez Canal) – Jebel Ali – Singapore – Laem Chabang

Transatlantic

AL 1:

Bremerhaven – Antwerp – London Gateway – Norfolk – Philadelphia – New York – Halifax – Bremerhaven

AL 2:

London Gateway – Le Havre – Rotterdam – Bremerhaven – New York – Charleston – London Gateway

AL 3:

Antwerp – Bremerhaven – Southampton – Charleston – Savannah – Port Everglades – Houston – Savannah – Norfolk – Antwerp

AL 4:

Southampton – Antwerp – Bremerhaven – Le Havre – Veracruz – Altamira – Houston – New Orleans – Mobile – Southampton

AL 5:

Southampton – Rotterdam – Hamburg – Antwerp – Le Havre – Savannah – Cartagena – Los Angeles/Long Beach – Oakland – Seattle/Tacoma – Vancouver – Oakland – Los Angeles/Long Beach – Balboa – Cartagena – Caucedo – Savannah – Southampton

AL 6: Salerno – Livorno – La Spezia – Genoa – FOS – Halifax – New York – Norfolk – Savannah – Salerno

AL 7: Barcelona – Tarragona – Valencia – Algeciras – Halifax – New York – Norfolk – Savannah – Valencia – Tarragona – Barcelona

Through this robust network, THE Alliance will offer a superior, reliable, efficient, and wide ranging product suite to shippers in the East/West lanes. The partners of THE Alliance will keep monitoring customers' demand and will react to markets if needed.

Furthermore, the members of THE Alliance announced today a new and unique contingency plan in the unlikely event a member of THE Alliance suffers a bankruptcy. The five member lines will establish an independent trustee to manage funds to be used in the case there is insolvency within the group. It is envisioned that the fund will be used to continue alliance operations in the event of insolvency of one or more member lines. The independent trust fund shall safeguard that customers' cargo on board of the affected members' ships will be carried to the port of destination. "Customers' reaction to the incident last summer showed a clear demand for such a safety net and the partners of THE Alliance are proud to present the first contingency plan of its kind in liner shipping.