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**Grand Alliance enhances its Mediterranean-Asia loop M to include port call at Busan**

Grand Alliance is adjusting its service between the Mediterranean and Asia (EUM) in response to the increasing cargo volume. Busan will be included as a port of call in the service loop, and an additional eighth vessel will be deployed for the service. Ships deployed in EUM will be in an average capacity of approx. 6,500 TEU, replacing the present 4,400 TEU. The enhanced service will begin in week 25 of 2007.

EUM will call at Busan, Shanghai, Ningbo, Shekou, Hong Kong, Singapore, Port Kelang, Damietta, Genoa, Barcelona, Fos, Damietta, Singapore and Hong Kong with a transit time of 56 days.

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