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**Operation  
Enduring Freedom**



An **F-14A "Tomcat"** assigned to the "**Checkmates**" of Fighter Squadron Two One One (VF-211) performs a high speed pass over the ship's flight deck. John C. Stennis and its embarked Carrier Air Wing Nine (CVW-9) has recently completed combat missions over Afghanistan in support of **Operation Enduring Freedom.**

## EVENTS, INCIDENTS & OPERATIONS

### Spirit stranded as aircon fails



CARNIVAL Cruise Lines has suspended one cruise and cancelled another after what it described as an "airconditioning equipment malfunction" left its West Coast-based **Carnival Spirit** stranded in Hawaii. The Carnival Spirit left for Vancouver, Canada last night for repairs while the Miami-based cruise giant Carnival Corporation told the US Securities and Exchange Commission that ship's problems will reduce its second-quarter 2002

earnings by about \$0.02 per share. The cancelled 12-day voyage was due to leave Honolulu today after the early suspension of a 12-day cruise which sailed on April 21 from Ensenada. Affected passengers received a refund on fares, accommodation and vouchers for a 50 per cent discount on a future cruise.

## RWS zoekt kajuitzeilers voor proefvaart Haringvlietbrug

**Rijkswaterstaat zoekt voor een proef met tweezijdige doorvaart door de Haringvlietbrug ongeveer tachtig zeiljachten.**

Uit de proef moet blijken of het veilig en verantwoord is om de recreatievaart in twee richtingen tegelijkertijd door de geopende brug te laten varen. Nu varen deze eerst uit de ene richting door de brug, en daarna uit de andere richting. Dat kost meer tijd en leidt tot meer oponthoud voor het wegverkeer. Als de proef slaagt, leidt dat tot kortere openingstijden en misschien tot meer openingen.

Zeiljachten die met de proef mee willen doen kunnen zich zaterdag 18 mei tijdens de brugopening van 12 uur aan weerszijden van de brug verzamelen. Aanmelden kan tot en met 14 mei bij [knww@pkessels.myweb.nl](mailto:knww@pkessels.myweb.nl) of schriftelijk en telefonisch bij Rijkswaterstaat directie Zuid Holland, afd. scheepvaartzaken, mw. J.J. Kruijthoff, postbus 556, 3000 AN Rotterdam, tel. 010-4026823.

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# CASUALTY REPORTING

## Three more bodies found

THE bodies of three of the five missing crew of the Korean ship Namil which sank following a collision near Pohang in Korea, have been found. The Pohang maritime police told Fairplay today that apart from an initial spill, there has been no further pollution. The 2,480 GT ship was carrying 14 tonnes of fuel oil. Cleaning work is in the final stage, the police official said. The accident occurred on April 25 when Namil collided with the 6,300 GT tug **Daehan 1**. The master of **Daehan 1** has been arrested and police have put the blame on the crew of both ships who, they say, were negligent. So far five bodies have been recovered from Namil, which had a crew of seven. Two bodies including that of the master were recovered on the day of the accident.

## Dredger damages Shell oil berth

A SHELL oil berth at Pulau Bukom, Singapore suffered "substantial damage" when it was hit by the 11,350-DWT Dutch-registered dredger **Seaway** that had suffered an engine failure last night. Media reports said an oil pipeline at Bukom Berth No 8 had been damaged, and Shell reported that some oil had leaked into the sea, but Singapore's Maritime and Port Authority (MPA) said this was immediately cleaned up by anti-pollution craft. According to the master of the Seaway, the vessel's engine failed as the vessel turned. The dredger dropped its starboard anchor but could not avoid contacting the berth, the master said in an initial report. The accident caused no injuries to personnel. The vessel suffered "minor damage" to its bow. The MPA is investigating the incident.

## CAPT.RALPH TUCKER (CANADA)

Troy, Michigan, May 7 -- Tank Capt.Ralph Tucker (6491 gt, built 1966) grounded in the Amherstburg Channel in the lower Detroit River, this morning. The channel is used for upbound traffic in the river and will remain closed until the vessel can be moved. The area where the tanker grounded is at the end of a turn in the channel. It is unknown why the vessel grounded but the area was covered by heavy fog, sending most vessels to anchor. Attempts by the crew to refloat the vessel were unsuccessful and tugs were expected to assist in the refloating some time this afternoon. The tanker was headed upbound with a load of calcium chloride for Allied Chemical in Amherstburg. Upbound traffic will use the Livingston Channel, as two-way traffic alternates using the passage. -- "Great Lakes & Seaway Shipping". London, May 7 -- Following received from Trenton RCC, timed 1815, UTC: Understand tank Capt.Ralph Tucker remains aground. Vessel has not requested Coast Guard assistance.

Troy, Mich, May 7 -- Tank Capt.Ralph Tucker: Attempts by the crew to refloat the vessel were unsuccessful and the tugs Patricia Hoey and Shannon from the Gaelic Tugboat Co. in Detroit were expected on scene by 1630 hrs. Early surveys of the vessel report damage to be minimal. -- "Great Lakes & Seaways Shipping

## COLUMBUS VICTORIA (LIBERIA)



Kingston, May 7 -- C.c. Columbus Victoria (24081 gt, built 1979) ran aground yesterday. Vessel's local agent reports that it is still aground. -- Lloyd's Agents. London, May 7 -- Following received from Kingston MRCC, timed 1940, UTC: Columbus Victoria ran aground at "West Middle Rock", south of Kingston at about

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1900, local time, yesterday. No Pollution. Understand vessel has grounded on sand and is still aground.

### MINE S. (TURKEY)

Bucharest, May 8 -- General cargo Mine S., collision with dredger Venus: On Apr 30 the court ordered the arrest of the Mine S. until the case on merits be determined or a letter of undertaking be provided. The court also bound the plaintiffs to put up a counter security of US\$40,000 until May 8. In the event that the plaintiffs would not meet the judgement in due course as the vessel should sail out unhindered. Negotiations are under way presently between the plaintiffs and the owners of Mine S./their third party liability underwriters in respect of putting up a P&I letter of undertaking. Repairs to Venus have commenced but the estimated time of completion of same is not known presently. -- Lloyd's Agents.

## SHIPYARD NEWS

### North Korea builds cargo ship

NORTH Korea's Hambuk Shipbuilding has built a 20,000 GT cargo ship named **Gunjari**, according to reports published today quoting the communist country's broadcasting network. The ship has been built using indigenous design and technology and possesses the latest equipment. Hambuk is located in Hampyong in the western part of the country. Not much is known about the country's maritime industry especially shipbuilding, although reports say its merchant fleet includes at least ten ships of more than 10,000 GT each. Sources say there are a number of yards in North Korea, but these are basically engaged in building naval vessels, especially high-speed boats. The Gunjari could well be the largest cargo ship built in North Korea, sources said.

### Korean shipbuilders "disappointed"

THE Korea Shipbuilders' Association has expressed "disappointment" at the European Commission's "continued blaming" of Korea for "European shortcomings." Referring to the continuing EC debate on shipbuilding, the KSA said the observations against Korea were made without taking the actual facts into account. "Non-subsidised Korean yards should be a role model for subsidised European yards rather than being made scapegoats," KSA said. Referring to Korean shipbuilders' success in LNG newbuildings, the association stressed that this was not because of too low prices as alleged by the EC, but to the ability of Koreans to offer high-quality vessels on time. EU yards had quit the LNG market as early as 1994 before the alleged Korean subsidies, the association said, so it was illogical for EU yards to complain that they did not receive more LNG newbuilding orders.

## **ROUTE, PORTS & SERVICES**

### **Costa abandons Argentina**



top : **COSTA VICTORIA** moored in Genua 05-04-2002 – Photo : Piet Sinke

CARNIVAL Corp subsidiary Costa Crociere has confirmed it will not return to Argentina next season, leaving Buenos Aires without a home-ported cruise ship for its traditional 2002/2003 six-month cruise season starting in December. The cruise line abruptly withdrew its 28,430 GT Costa Allegra and cancelled the season's remaining two cruises in March 2002 in an unprecedented response to widespread economic and political chaos in Argentina which saw local business evaporate. Costa confirmed the Allegra would remain in Europe for winter, but that it would home port the Costa Tropicale and Costa Classica in Santos, Brazil, where economic conditions were less fragile. One ship would include Buenos Aires on its South American itinerary. Costa's withdrawal is a blow to Argentina's growing cruise business, with P&O Ports opening a new Buenos Aires terminal in 2001, 57 ships and more than 80,000 passengers visiting last season – a ten per cent increase on 2000

## **Hapag Lloyd outpaces market**

HAPAG-LLOYD Group says its container line should continue to grow faster than the market this year, though it expects its earnings to decline because of depressed rates.

The group said Hapag-Lloyd Container Line (HLCL) increased its volume by about 8 per cent to 1.7 million TEU in 2001. That again exceeded the market average: the volume of international container liner services rose by nearly 2 per cent last year, compared with average growth of 6 per cent in recent years.

HLCL said it achieved its volume growth with almost no increase in staff.

The container division posted an operating profit of 186 million euros (US\$168.1 million) in 2001, up 17 per cent from the year before, on sales of 2.2 billion euros. HLCL said it increased productivity by refining its IT systems and benefited from the joint management and use of ship capacities within the Grand Alliance.

The strong US dollar was also a positive factor, as the dollar strengthened by about 7.8 per cent on average against the euro.

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Hapag-Lloyd (Asia) increased its volume by 12 per cent to 696,000 TEU last year. Transpacific and intra-Asian services grew at an above-average rate.

Volume in HLCL's European region rose by 3.7 per cent to 560,000 TEU.

Hapag-Lloyd (America)'s export volume grew by 2.9 per cent to 420,000 TEU, mainly as a result of new services to the Mediterranean and between South America and Europe. Still, the division failed to match its year 2000 result because of significant rate declines in services to Asia and Europe.

Shipping - comprising HPCL and Hapag-Lloyd Cruises - generated 61 per cent of sales, compared with 39 per cent for logistics - comprising VTG-Lehnkering, Pracht Freight Forwarding and Algeco SA.

Logistics achieved revenues of 1.5 billion euros in 2001, compared with 1.4 billion euros the year before. Operating profit surged to 95 million euros from 84 million euros.

In 2001, Hapag-Lloyd Group achieved revenues of 3.9 billion euros, up 8 per cent year-on-year. Operating profit surged by 20 per cent to 299 million euros.

## Cosco stays with Singapore

CHINA'S shipping giant Cosco has stressed that it is not considering any alternative to Singapore for its South-East Asian container transshipment hub. "We have already negotiated a ten-year agreement with PSA Corp. We are not considering any alternatives," Ji Hai Sheng, president of Cosco Investment (Singapore) said today during a briefing of the company's financial results for 2001. Cosco Investment, which is listed on the Singapore exchange, is the arm of China Ocean Shipping (Group). The major businesses of Cosco Investment include ship owning, agency and repair and construction. 'Refocusing' on these core businesses and charter agreements based on freight rates prevailing in the early part of 2001 were responsible for the company's record profit for 2001, Ji said. Net profit rose by 41 per cent to S\$13.2M (\$7.2M), but turnover dipped to S\$152.2M. The divestment of non-core businesses was cited as the reason for the drop in turnover. Cosco Investment operates a fleet of 11 dry bulk ships. Two Handymax vessels, which are being built in Japan, will join the fleet over the next two years.

## HMM to launch new Asian route

HYUNDAI Merchant Marine (HMM) will launch a new route for containerships under co-operation with Singapore's Advance Container Lines and Indonesia's Samudera Shipping Lines, according to company officials. The firm will sail three 850 to 950 TEU containerships once a week on the route that calls at ports in Singapore, Malaysia, Mumbai, Nhava Sheva and Cochin in India and Colombo in Sri Lanka.

"We expect to see high profit from the route that passes all the major areas in the East, South and western Asia," an HMM official said

## MSC kiest voor pendulumdienst tussen Azië en oostkust VS

Mediterranean Shipping Cy voert een ingrijpende herschikking door van de "Transpac"-dienst op de Stille Oceaan. Deze dienst met een vloot van vijf containerschepen met een eenheidscapaciteit van zo'n 3.500 TEU is in zekere zin een shuttledienst tussen Azië en Los Angeles. Deze dienst wordt nu omgevormd tot een pendulumdienst van Azië, via Panama, naar de Golf van Mexico en de oostkust van de VS en terug.

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### NAVY NEWS

## WHICH FOREIGN NAVY SHIPS WILL VISIT DUTCH PORTS & WHICH PORTS ARE VISITED BY DUTCH NAVY SHIPS

10 May 02	HNLMS De Zeven Provinciën	F 802	Den Helder
10 May 02	HNLMS Van Nes	F 833	Antwerp
10 May 02	HNLMS Hellevoetsluis	M 859	Den Helder
10 May 02	HNLMS Maassluis	M 856	Den Helder
10 May 02	HNLMS Scheveningen	M 855	Aarhus
13 May 02	HNLMS Cerberus	A 851	Kiel
14 May 02	HNLMS Cerberus	A 851	Cuxhaven
17 May 02	HNLMS Buyskes	A 904	Delfzijl
20 May 02	HNLMS Zierikzee	M 862	Portsmouth
21 May 02	FGS Loreley	M 2665	Rotterdam
23 May 02	HNLMS Nautilus	A 853	Hoorn
24 May 02	HNLMS Harlingen	M 854	Dordrecht
27 May 02	HNLMS Van Galen	F 834	Valletta
30 May 02	HNLMS Cerberus	A 851	Enkhuizen
31 May 02	K/V Norkapp	W 320	Scheveningen
01 Jun 02	HNLMS Jacob van Heemskerck	F 812	Hoek van Holland
01 Jun 02	HNLMS Willem Van der Zaan	F 829	Hoek van Holland
07 Jun 02	HNLMS Maassluis	M 856	Sliedrecht
09 Jun 02	HNLMS Harlingen	M 854	Middelburg
28 Jun 02	HNLMS Tydeman	A 906	Terneuzen
12-14 Jul	Dutch National	Fleet Days	Den Helder
10 Jul 02	FGS Seeadler	P 6118	Den Helder
12 Jul 02	HNLMS Van Amstel	F 831	Den Helder



## Retired Navy Ship To Become World's Biggest Artificial Reef

A retired Navy ship is about to become a new home for thousands of fish, and the biggest artificial reef in the world. Later this morning, the [Spiegel Grove](#) will become an artificial reef about 5 1/2 miles off Key Largo.

## TCG ORUC REIS



A humanitarian battle currently brewing over the right to rescue underlines how difficult it will be to achieve a deal in drawn-out talks aimed at a settlement to decades of tense division of the island Cyprus between Greek and Turkish Cypriots. A Turkish sailor stands guard next to Turkish Navy frigate [TCG Oruc Reis](#), anchored off Kyrenia port, during a search and rescue exercises in the Mediterranean on May 2, 2002.

## **AIRCRAFT / AIRPORT NEWS**

### **Saudi survives EgyptAir crash**



A photo of the SU-GBI in better days , the same plane crashed in Tunis – **Photo Charles Falk**

Egypt's flag carrier, Egypt Air, blazed into the news again yesterday when one of its planes, a Boeing 737-500 with around 62 passengers and crew on board, crashed as it was attempting to land at Tunis airport. At least 20 people were killed.

This was the second major disaster for the airlines after an EgyptAir plane bound for Cairo from New York crashed into the Atlantic Ocean on Oct. 31, 1999, killing all 217 people on board.

Saleh Malaeka, a Saudi businessman and executive president of Al-Baraka Bank, was among the survivors.



Speaking to Arab News from his Tunis hotel, Malaeka said he escaped the crash with minor injuries. "The accident scene was horrible. The plane had broken into two pieces," he said.

"The plane crashed on a hill and there was heavy rain. We quickly ran away from the spot, fearing further explosions from the aircraft," he said. Malaeka said he also took part in the rescue operation.

"The crash occurred soon after the pilot had asked

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us to fasten our seatbelts."

He said he had told his mother that he had reached Tunis two hours before the crash in order to reduce her shock.

Muhammad Tawfik, who was accompanying Malaeka, also escaped with injuries to his legs.

The crash site was difficult to reach, but rescue workers managed to get to the scene to evacuate the injured.

A senior Tunisian government official said 13 passengers had been taken to hospital.

## RIJNMOND WEATHER

### donderdag 9 mei

9 uur 's ochtends :  
temperatuur: 13 graden  
kans op neerslag: 0%  
wind: matig (19 km/u) uit NO

5 uur 's middags :  
temperatuur: 21 graden  
kans op neerslag: 5%  
wind: matig (19 km/u) uit NO

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&

<http://www.mcf-rotterdam.nl>

# **DE KURSK - DE BERGING**

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**13 OKTOBER 2002**



## **Nationaal Sleepvaart Museum**

**Hoogstraat 1-3  
Maassluis**

