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News Release

One of largest cruise ships in Guam's history arrives tomorrow

MV Arcadia to bring more than 2,000 passengers & crew

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One of the largest cruise ships to ever dock on Guam will arrive tomorrow at the Port Authority of Guam.

The MV Arcadia, based out of Australia, will arrive at 7 a.m. carrying 1,844 passengers and 897 crew, according to Ariel Dumapit, General Manager of Inchcape Shipping Service Guam LLC. Inchcape Shipping Service Guam LLC is the husbanding agent for the cruise ship, which is 935 feet long.

"The arrival of this cruise ship will help boost our economy and further establish Guam as a world-class destination as passengers will have the opportunity to experience all our island has to offer," Dumapit said. "Our company is proud to serve as the husbanding agent for such a large vessel that will have a positive impact on our community."

The MV Arcadia will arrive at 7 a.m. and depart at 3 p.m. after a day full of sightseeing and touring by the passengers. Just this morning, another cruise ship, the Tahitian Princess, arrived with 520 passengers. Another cruise ship, the Royal Princess, is scheduled to arrive this Sunday, March 8, 2009, with 777 passengers on board. More passengers are expected to arrive on April 7, 2009 when the Dawn Princess arrives.

"The Port Authority of Guam is an indispensable partner in this growing industry," said Port General Manager Glenn Leon Guerrero. "The Port is the lifeline to our community and our modernization efforts will help foster our other growing industries, such as the cruise ship market."

The only other larger cruise vessel was the Queen Elizabeth, which came to Guam several years ago.

For more information, please contact Port Marketing Administrator Bernadette Meno at (671) 477-5931 ext. 545 or via email at bmeno@portguam.com

NOTE TO EDITORS: ISS is recommending that a good time for pictures of passengers disembarking would be 10am. Please provide your information including SS# or DL# to us by tonight so we can get clearance. Email your name, agency and identification information to myself and also to dcaguero@portguam.com and also to pacruz@portguam.com. Meet at the Marketing Office by 9:45 a.m. and we will escort you to get your photos.

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