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NEWS RELEASE

Cruise Sun Princess arrives tomorrow at the Port Authority of Guam

Passenger ship will bring over 2,500 visitors to the island

Piti, Guam, October 12, 2012: The Port Authority of Guam is preparing for the arrival tomorrow of the Sun Princess which will bring over 2,500 visitors to the island.

The Sun Princess, based out of Australia, will arrive at 8:00 a.m. carrying 1,941 passengers and 853 crew members, according to Byron Valera, Operations Supervisor for Marianas Steamship Agencies, Inc. Dubbed a vessel with “big ship choice and small ship intimacy”, the Sun Princess has been crossing the waters of Australia, New Zealand and Asia year-round since 2007. The vessel is sailing from Yokohama Japan to Guam and will depart at 5:00 p.m. tomorrow for its next destination, Rabaul, Papua New Guinea, then to Brisbane, Australia and to Sydney, Australia. Most of the passengers are citizens of Australia and New Zealand.

A liner from the Princess Cruises, this will be the Sun Princess’s third visit to Guam and the sixth vessel from the fleet to make a port call to Guam. From 2005 to present, the Pacific Princess, Royal Princess, Dawn Princess, Sea Princess, and Sun Princess have made previous visits to the island. The Sun Princess is also scheduled to return in October 2011.

“Although our primary function is cargo handling operations, the Port Authority has always recognized and will continue to be supportive of Guam’s tourism industry,” said General Manager Mary C. Torres “The staff, working with the Guam Visitors Bureau, has strived, to give a warm first impression of our culture to visitors arriving” she added.

The passengers will be greeted by title holders from Miss Earth Guam, Miss World Guam, Miss Universe Guam and the Irengian Taotao Tano dance group upon arrival. The dance group will also provide on-board entertainment before the vessel departs for its next destination.

The Sun Princess, being handled by shipping agent Marianas Steamship Agencies, Inc, was the ship on which the television show The Love Boat: The Next Wave was filmed.

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