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NEWS RELEASE

Record-breaking ninth cruise ship of the year sailed into Guam today

Piti, Guam, September 7, 2024: The Port Authority of Guam welcomed its record-breaking 9th passenger vessel of the year, marking a significant achievement for the island's only commercial seaport as well as Guam's tourism industry.

The MV Seabourn Pursuit, making its second voyage to Guam this year, arrived at the Port Authority of Guam at 6:56 p.m. this evening with 183 passengers and 233 crew members. The cruise ship will depart the port tomorrow evening at 11:45 p.m.

The arrival of the MV Seabourn Pursuit not only boosts Guam's reputation as a premier luxury cruise destination, but also sets a new record for the most passenger vessels to visit the island in one year. This historic event highlights the growing appeal of Guam as a must-see cruise destination for travelers seeking unique experiences in the Pacific with more than 17,000 passengers and crew members welcomed to our shores this year.

"This significant achievement highlights the increasing recognition of Guam as a top-tier premier luxury cruise destination," said Port General Manager Rory J. Respicio. "The record-breaking arrival of the MV Seabourn Pursuit is a testament to our island's draw and the Port Authority's dedication to supporting our tourism industry. The fact that many passengers are choosing to extend their stay in Guam or connect to further destinations showcases the island's appeal."

Respicio further emphasized the importance of cruise ships visiting Guam, "This achievement strengthens our tourism industry and aligns with Governor Lou Leon Guerrero and Lt. Governor Josh Tenorio's vision for the Port of Guam as a vital contributor to our local and regional economies. The Port's ability to accommodate a high volume of luxury vessels speaks to the strength of our infrastructure and the dedication of our Port Strong team."

The Port Authority of Guam anticipates welcoming two more passenger vessels before the end of the year: the Carnival on October 22nd, and the MS Asuka II on December 30th.

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Photo cutline: The cruise MV Seabourn Pursuit docked at the Port Authority of Guam on September 7, 2024.