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SUPERSTAR LEO AND SUPERSTAR ARIES HEAD FOR
HISTORIC CALLS AT SHANGHAI

Star Cruises, "The First Global Cruise Line" and "The Leading Cruise Line in Asia-Pacific" is pleased to announce that two of its ships, the **SuperStar Leo** and the **SuperStar Aries** will be heading for Shanghai on **8-day/7-night cruises** and are scheduled to arrive within an hour apart on the morning of **13th November 2002** alongside the famous "Bund" for a two-night stopover.

"The arrival of two of Star Cruises' world-class cruise ships the **SuperStar Leo** and the **SuperStar Aries**, in Shanghai on the same day marks a major milestone in the development of cruise tourism in China as it further demonstrates the vast potential of Shanghai as a major cruise destination", said Tan Sri KT Lim, Chairman, President & Chief Executive Officer of Star Cruises Ltd.

"It is also a historic event of sorts for the cruise industry and the region. **SuperStar Leo** is the first and the largest international cruise liner to call at the famous Shanghai Bund and **SuperStar Aries**' is the first international cruise ship in more than 50 years to embark passengers at Keelung, Taiwan with a destination in Shanghai before returning to Taiwan with stops at Naha and Ishigaki enroute", added Tan Sri KT Lim.

"In line with our plans for fleet deployment in Asia-Pacific, this latest development reaffirms Star Cruises' continuous efforts in pioneering, trail-blazing cruising itineraries in Asia opening up more wonders of the Orient to international cruise passengers from around the world".

SuperStar Leo

SuperStar Leo will be on her second voyage to Shanghai and the first time that it will be alongside the "Bund". SuperStar Leo's **8-Day/7-Night** cruise to Shanghai includes a day call at Xiamen on 11th November 2002 and a two-night stop-over in Shanghai. She is expected to arrive in Shanghai in the morning of **13th November 2002** where her scheduled two-night stopover will allow passengers more time to explore and take in the city's charming attractions and its outlying picturesque towns such as Suzhou and Hangzhou.

SuperStar Leo will depart Shanghai on **15th November 2002** and will resume regular cruise out of Hong Kong from **17th Nov 2002** onwards upon her return arrival in Hong Kong. Affected passengers will be offered a full refund and a 50% discount on a future sailing with a six-month validity or the option to transfer to the full 8-day/7-night Shanghai cruise.

"The Shanghai cruise is back by popular demand and we hope that cruisers will take advantage of this unique itinerary," said Mr. Chong Chee Tut, Star Cruises' Chief Operating Officer.

SuperStar Aries

SuperStar Aries' is on a special Star Cruises' 9th Anniversary cruise during the same period in Shanghai. **SuperStar Aries** will call at Naha and Ishigaki on her onward and return journeys respectively. **SuperStar Aries'** stopover in Shanghai is of historic significance as it is the first cruise ship in more than 50 years to embark passengers from Keelung, Taiwan with a final destination in Shanghai before returning to Keelung via Ishigaki.

The arrival of the **SuperStar Leo** and the **SuperStar Aries** in Shanghai coincides with the China International Travel Mart ("CITM") which will be staged from 14th-17th November 2002 in the new Shanghai Convention Centre. The presence of the two ships will provide the opportunity for members of the media, international and domestic travel trade professionals and Shanghai residents a first-hand preview of these world-class cruise ships.

"In planning the itinerary to feature Shanghai as the highlight, we were encouraged by a few factors namely the tremendous success of **SuperStar Leo's** special cruise to Shanghai last August, the historic nature of **SuperStar Aries'** sailing from Keelung to Shanghai and the fact that we have the rare opportunity to secure berths for both ships given the high traffic situation of the Shanghai port. This time round the **SuperStar Leo** and **SuperStar Aries** will be berthed together closer at the Gao Yang Port in the famous Bund area which will provide an even more stunning visual complement to the city's distinctive skyline," added Mr. Chong Chee Tut, Chief Operating Officer of Star Cruises.

More on SuperStar Leo

SuperStar Leo, at 76,800-grt is the first and largest megaship in Asia-Pacific with 1,000 cabins and a lower berth capacity of 2,000. **SuperStar Leo** offers modern world-class food and beverage, entertainment and recreation facilities including a swimming pool, bars and pubs, restaurants, karaoke, disco, library, cinema, hair and beauty salon, meeting rooms, international show lounge and sports deck to name a few. **SuperStar Leo** is also a triple winner of the 1999 ShipPax Awards for her outstanding cruise sun decks, saloons and cabins.

More on SuperStar Aries

SuperStar Aries is a world-class ocean voyager with a rich legacy and was rated as "The Best Cruise Ship in the World in 1997 by the Berlitz Complete Guide to Cruising and Cruise Ships. At 37,000 gross tonnes, she has 339 cabins with a lower berth capacity of 660. **SuperStar Aries** offers a variety of food and beverage outlets, lounges, entertainment and invigorating recreation options such as indoor and outdoor pools, spa and health centre. Passengers will find her cabins particularly spacious, well-appointed and luxurious.

ABOUT STAR CRUISES

Star Cruises is the fourth largest cruise line in the world presently operating a combined fleet of 19 ships with over 24,000 lower berths, with cruises to destinations and islands in Asia-Pacific, North and South America, Hawaii, Caribbean, Alaska, Europe, Mediterranean, Bermuda and Antarctica under the Star Cruises, Norwegian Cruise Line, Orient Lines and Cruise Ferries brands. By end 2002, with the delivery of Norwegian Dawn, Star Cruises will have over 26,000 lower berths. Star Cruises is represented in more than 20 locations worldwide with offices in Australia, New Zealand, China, Germany, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Norway, Philippines, Singapore, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, Thailand, United Kingdom and the United States of America. For more information on Star Cruises and NCL, please visit www.starcruiises.com and www.ncl.com

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