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'GENTING-STAR INTERNATIONAL CRUISE MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME' LAUNCHED IN SHANGHAI

Star Cruises the Leading Cruise Line in Asia-Pacific is pleased to announce the inauguration ceremony of the '***Genting-Star International Cruise Management Programme***' today at the Shanghai Nanhu Vocational School in Hongkou District. The introduction of the programme was formalised with the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between Star Cruises and the Nanhu Vocational School in September last year. Special invitees to today's ceremony include Mr. Hua DongPing, Vice District Mayor, HongKou District People's Government, Shanghai Municipality; Mr. Wang LiQiang, Director, Shanghai HongKou Educational Bureau and Mr. Tu ChuanXin, Vice Director, Shanghai HongKou Educational Bureau.

The Genting-Star International Cruise Management Programme has been designed along the globally recognized guidelines of the Australasian Hotel College and the Australian Quality Training Framework, with particular emphasis on oral English communication skills and practical applications to cater to a growing level of sophistication among travellers. The one-year programme aims to provide a sound foundation for aspiring candidates wanting to pursue a career in the Cruise and Hospitality industry and includes subjects such as Business Communication Skills, Food and Beverage, Housekeeping, Hotel Front Office Operations and International Maritime Safety amongst others.

"Star Cruises is a pioneering leader in cruising in Asia and our involvement in this programme provides an excellent opportunity to acquire the knowledge and skills that will help create a pool of talented individuals who will form the backbone for the cruise and hospitality industry in

China. It is also a reflection of our commitment and efforts that are ongoing in developing the nation's cruise industry ", said Mr. Chong Chee Tut, Chief Operating Officer of Star Cruises.

"We are also very appreciative of the efforts and support extended by the HongKou District Government, Education Bureau of HongKou, Shanghai and the Shanghai HongKou Labour and Social Security Bureau in making this programme a success and look forward to a continued close working relationship that will be mutually beneficial to all parties", he added.

The first student intake has already commenced with the programme, which began in late March.

About Star Cruises

Star Cruises, the third largest cruise line in the world is a global cruise brand with a combined fleet of 21 ships in service and under construction, with more than 32,000 lower berths cruising to destinations and islands in Asia-Pacific, North and South America, Hawaii, Caribbean, Alaska, Europe, Mediterranean, Bermuda and the Antarctica under the Star Cruises, Norwegian Cruise Line, NCL America, Orient Lines and Cruise Ferries brands.

Star Cruises is represented in more than 20 locations worldwide with offices in Australia, China, Germany, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, New Zealand, Norway, Philippines, Singapore, Sweden, Taiwan, Thailand, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom and the United States of America.

About Genting Group

Genting Group is one of Asia's leading and best managed multinationals. The Group's five listed entities have a combined market capitalization of about US\$9 billion. The Group has a strong commitment to social responsibility and corporate governance and has been voted 10 times as the No. 1 company in Malaysia by the Asian Wall Street Journal's '200 Asia's Leading Companies' and voted Asia's No. 2 and Malaysia's No.1 Best Managed Company for the Decade by Asiamoney. Genting Berhad, the Group's holding company has grown significantly since its listing on Bursa Malaysia in 1971, providing more than a 1000% increase in shareholder value over the past 34 years.

Over the years, Genting Group has grown from strength to strength, successfully expanding from its initial leisure and hospitality operations to other businesses such as power generation, plantations, properties, paper manufacturing and oil & gas. The Group's leisure and hospitality division, Resorts World Bhd, owns and operates Asia's leading integrated leisure and entertainment resort, Genting Highlands Resort, which attracted more than 17 million visitors in 2004. Resorts World also owns and operates the world's largest hotel, First World Hotel.

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