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DUNKERQUE-PORT EXPANDS ITS SHIPPING NETWORK TO AND FROM THE BRITISH ISLES

CONTAINERSHIPS, a short-sea shipping company operating out of the port of Dunkerque since 2013, has decided to extend its shipping services from Friday 22 January 2021. It has just launched a service to and from the English ports of Liverpool and Bristol.

A vessel with a capacity of 800 twenty-foot equivalent units (TEU) will provide the following round-trip service: Dunkerque (Friday), Liverpool (Sunday evening and Monday morning) and Bristol (Tuesday).

The set-up of this service means 600 TEUs can be handled per week, mainly from Asia via the FAL 1 (French Asia Line) service of CMA CGM, as well as 300 TEUs from British ports with lines to and from Asia and 75 TEU volumes from the continent (to and from Europe).

Daniel Deschodt, Interim Chairman of the Executive Board of Dunkerque-Port, welcomed the announcement: *“After the successful launch in 2013 of the link to Portugal, then to Ireland in November 2020, Containerships is continuing its development with Dunkerque by offering a service enabling the expansion of short sea links from Dunkerque, while increasing transshipment volumes. This new service is fully in line with the development strategy for Short Sea Shipping adopted by Dunkerque-Port”*.

About Dunkerque-Port:

The largest French port complex (Calais-Dunkerque); the ninth largest port on the Channel and North Sea Range and France's third-largest port, Dunkerque-Port has built a reputation in many sectors: it is the largest passenger port in Europe (Calais-Dunkerque hub); France's largest energy hub; the country's largest LNG terminal; the leading French port for containerised fruit and vegetable imports; the largest French port for ore and coal imports; France's largest rail port; the region's largest waterway port; and the third-ranking French port for grain traffic. Dunkerque-Port is also a sustainable port. It is the trading port of the new Hauts-de-France Region, the largest agricultural region of France, the leading region for the rail industry, and the leading region for the car industry. 2019 Traffic: 53 Mt.

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