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PSA ANTWERP AND MPET EXPAND AND UPGRADE FACILITIES

On 23 March 2017, heavy lift vessel MS Zhen Hua 24 arrived in the Port of Antwerp with four mega cranes on board. Two are destined for PSA Antwerp's Noordzee Terminal and two for MSC PSA European Terminal (MPET).

The new cranes have a hoisting height of 50 meters and can reach across 25 rows of containers, making them fully capable of handling the world's largest containerships. These dual hoist cranes can handle two 40-foot containers or four 20-foot containers with each lift.

Preparation for the unloading of the cranes has commenced. All the cranes are expected to be operational by May 2017.

Today, a second batch of four similar-type cranes has started its journey on board MS Zhen Hua 20 for the Antwerp port. The cranes, two each for Noordzee Terminal and MPET are expected to be delivered in May 2017.

The new cranes for Noordzee Terminal form part of an overall upgrading program. With the four new cranes and the quay deepening works that were completed last year, Noordzee Terminal will be fully equipped to meet the needs of shipping alliances and handle multiple mega-vessels simultaneously. In addition, construction works will start shortly to extend the quay wall by an additional 140 meters.

Once the four new cranes are installed at MPET, the terminal's relocation and upgrading project will come to completion, providing MPET with 41 quay cranes and strengthening its status as the largest container terminal in Europe. MPET is one of the most important hubs in the region for the 2M alliance, offering high turnaround times for our partners.

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About PSA Antwerp & MPET

PSA operates three container terminals in the port of Antwerp, all located in front of the locks: MPET (joint venture with TIL) at the Deurganckdok and Noordzee and Europa Terminal. MSC PSA European Terminal (MPET) is the largest container terminal in the Port of Antwerp. Originally located on the right bank of the river Scheldt, MPET has moved its operations to the left bank as part of a plan to meet the increasing needs of its customers.

PSA employs 3.000 staff at its location in the Antwerp Port.

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