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Mauricio Ortíz President - PAIMA

Dear Members:

Thanks to all members that did attend our convention in Las Vegas. I hope that the effort made to see old friends and make new ones will enhance your ress relationships, especially needed in the chose who did not crend, our Board of Directors and Manager will look forward to seeing you next year in a location that will be chosen by the majority of you. The possible locations and other suggestions for our next convention will be sent via e-mail from our Panama office. Your feedback will be appreciated. We will do our best to please your needs.

In the short term, I invite you to participate in the next RIM seminar that will be held at the AMSA convention in Orlando, Fla, March 13th, 2002. Mr. Boris Populoh and our ex-President, Mr. Joe Pauley, will be coordinating this activity. For further information, contact our manager Mr. Abdel Cohn at:

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Our next Board of Directors meeting will be

held also in Orlando, Fla, March 12th, 2002, one day before the seminar. For those who arrive early for the seminar, the Paima Board of Directors and myself will be available March 12 in order to discuss any issues that you consider of importance. PAIMA will also have a booth at AMSA Convention. This will be our point of gathering. Hope to see many of you there.

In the mid term, our board member, Mr. Diego Aguirre of Mercovan, Argentina, is working on a proposal for "Paima Payments Guarantee" that will be presented for your review and vote. If you have any suggestions to make on this important subject, please feel free to contact Mr. Aguirre at:

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Other good news coming from our good friends from the south is that Mr. Cliff Williamson of Transpack Argentina is finishing his book on <u>Best Ecological Practices for the Moving Industry</u>. Anyone interested in becoming a sponsor of the book,

please contact Mr. Williamson at:

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Next year a new PAIMA Board of Directors including the presidency will be elected during our convention. For those interested in becoming the future leaders of this growing organization with community identity, please contact our Panama Office at:

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I am sure that many of you have the profile needed to accomplish the tasks required by the membership.

My duties as President have been made easier due to the fact that on my side I have a great group of self-giving friends: Raquel, Ramon, George, Cliff, Diego, Leonidas, Gail, Zohaila, and, our Manager and founder, Mr. Abdel Cohn.

The B.O.D looks forward to continuing to work for the well-being of PAIMA and its membership, until our term finishes in October 2002, as we have done during the past with honesty, capacity and dedication.



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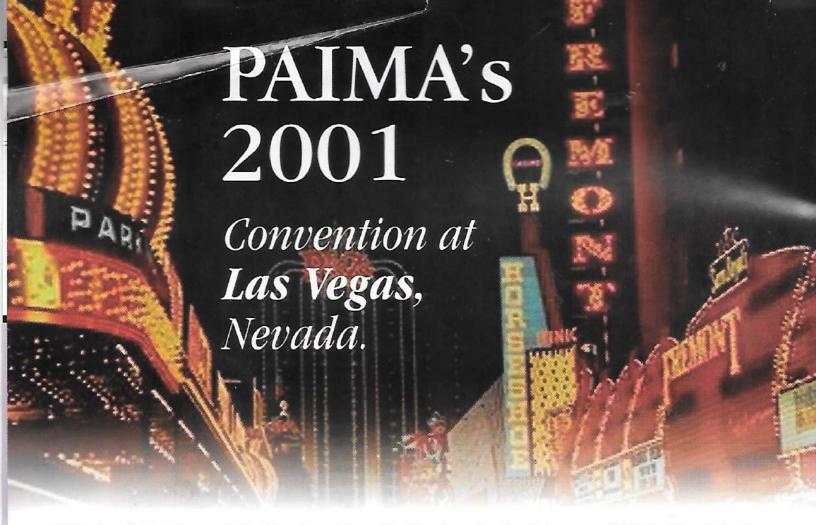
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PAIMA's Annual Convention was held at the Hotel Paris, and some of the affairs were held at the Bally's Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, this past October 6th and 7th, 2001. Both hotels are connected with a beautiful passageway and are located on the Las Vegas boulevard, "The Strip." As you know, Las Vegas is called "The Entertainment Capital of the World." Las Vegas offers many forms of entertainment and recreation. The biggest games in town are casino and slots machines. This convention was a memorable experience for PAIMA members.

Around 130 members, representing countries from all over the world, attended the convention in spite of the dramatic events in New York and Washington. The Board of Directors were very happy with the turnout, and, in fact, it was better than the Anchorage Convention. On the first evening we had an early registration. The next day we had the

General Assembly. After the roll call and introduction of members and guests, President Mauricio Ortiz started the Assembly. The guest speakers were: Mr. George Sikora of Transport Management Int'l Ltd. who spoke about the "New Technology and Leadership via Technology to our Industry," Mr. Gustavo Higuera of Prudential who spoke about "The Advantages of Relocation," and Mr. Joe Pauley of Tumi Int'l Movers, PAIMA ex-President and now our Director of Training, who spoke about "Quality Control and RIM Certification." At the end of the conference, Mr. Joe Pauley presented an award to Mrs. Leticia Moreno of Moreno Int'l for her perfect score obtained at the last RIM Seminar held in Miami, Florida.

In the afternoon after lunch, the PAIMA office submitted its report and the improvements realized during the past fiscal year. Next, Mr. Ramon Sierra, PAIMA Vice-President, accompanied by Mrs. Raquel Castañon,

Treasurer of PAIMA, delivered the Tonnage awards. Following the Tonnage award presentation, Mrs. Sandra Rowe delivered PAIMA's Juan Peralta Ecology Award to Transpack Ltda of Colombia. This is the first time that a member of PAIMA has won this award. That is why we want to encourage more PAIMA members to be involved in recycling programs.

On the evening of the 6th of October, we had a cocktail reception at the Skyview Salon which is located at the 26th floor of Bally's Hotel. The view of the city was amazing. All the participants were welcome to enjoy the open bar, delectable buffet and carving station. A trio band playing jazz music kept all the enthusiastic participants enjoying the reception and having a good time.

The next day we toured Hoover Dam and the Grand Canyon. Hoover Dam is a tremendous construction that provides electricity to the



city and is located 2 hours from Las Vegas, and the Grand Canyon is a beautiful place, where nature is well represented in all of its aspects. Standing at the border of its rocks, you can feel a magic. There is an Indian reservation where all the participants enjoyed a delicious barbecue buffet and saw delicate Indian crafts like bracelets, earrings, rings, etc. made by hand and with special and beautiful rocks. We also made a stop at Eagle

Indians live in their typical houses, and in spite of technology, they keep intact their customs and language. This tour was certainly an unforgetable experience.

PAIMA also sponsored a booth at the HHGFAA The next 2002 PAIMA Convention is Convention. A beautiful backwall display at the stand promoted membership and the meeting of company representatives

Point. It's important to mention that these interested in belonging to PAIMA. This booth was approved by the Board of Directors to help members keep in touch and to show the trajectory of our Association in this industry.

> going to be held in Orlando, Florida. Please do not miss it. It's going to be even better.

All participants enjoyed another successful PAIMA Convention as reflected in the following snapshots:



A view of the General Assembly.



Another view of the General Assembly.



Cliff Williamson, Vocal of PAIMA, welcoming all the participants at the General Assembly.



From the left to right: Sid Vallaydam of Australia Van Lines; Mauricio Ortíz, PAIMA President; Carlos Barrandeguy of Intermove Uruguay; and Vino Vallaydam of Australia Van Lines.



A group of PAIMA members gathering at the entrance of the General Assembly





From left to rigth: Dieter Krumdiek of Express Transports of Perú with Anne Lise & Rainer Brakebush of OTB Overseas Transport GMBH of Germany.



A view of the luncheon at the Salon Versailles I & II at the Paris Hotel.



Another view of the luncheon.



Some board and PAIMA members at the luncheon having a nice conversation.



Another group of PAIMA members enjoying the delicious luncheon.



Mr. Bernardo Willianson of La Higienica, Uruguay, receiving the award for biggest improvement during the last period.



Mrs. Karin Knappstein and Joel Doglioni of Transpack Ltda. of Colombia receiving the award for the South American Region.



Mrs. Raquel Castañón delivering the award for the Overall winner and the award for the North American Region to Mrs. Sandy Rowe M. and Phil Maier of Jet Forwarding, Inc.



Mr. Ramon Sierra, PAIMA Vice-President, announcing the winners of the Tonnage Award 2000 - 2001 and Mrs. Raquel Castañón, PAIMA Treasurer, delivering the awards for the Asia-Africa Region to Michael Sob of Asian Tigers KC Dat (S) (PTD) Ltd.



Mrs. Raquel Castañón delivering the award for the Mexico-Central America Region to Mr. Anthony Rodríguez of García Trucking Services, Inc. of Puerto Rico.





From left to right: Monica and Joe Pauley of Tumi Int'l Movers and Gloria Agudelo of Intrapack of Colombia enjoying the cocktail reception given by PAIMA at the Skyview Salon at Bally's Hotel.



Mrs. Ana Lucia Davila of Panatlantic del Ecuador and Mr. Alexandre Azevedo de Souza of Transquadros Mudancas of Brazil baving a nice conversation.



From left to right: Mrs. Cora Cohn, Elsa Chavez of Traslada - Venezuela, and Mr. Abdel Cohn, Manager of PAIMA.





A group of PAIMA members enjoying the barbecue buffet at the Indian Reservation.



Some members at Eagle point at the Grand Canyon.



A group from La Rosa del Monte at Eagle Point.



Photo of the backwall display at PAIMA booth at the HHGFAA.

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The delegation, that stayed various days the country collecting information

opportunities first hand.

on important business sectors, said that Panama has high potential in port movements that is of particular interest to Low Country businessmen.

They said that this was because the Port of Rotterdam, considered to be the biggest in the world, has a policy of constantly informing its users about what is taking place in other main ports in the world.

The Dutch businessman, Chris Buijink, who presided over the delegation, said that they support regional cooperation integration, and, that as well as Panama, they were visiting Costa Rica, El Salvador and Guatemala.

> The Vice-minister of Foreign Commerce, Temistocles Rosas, said that he was very pleased with the visit of the Low Country delegation

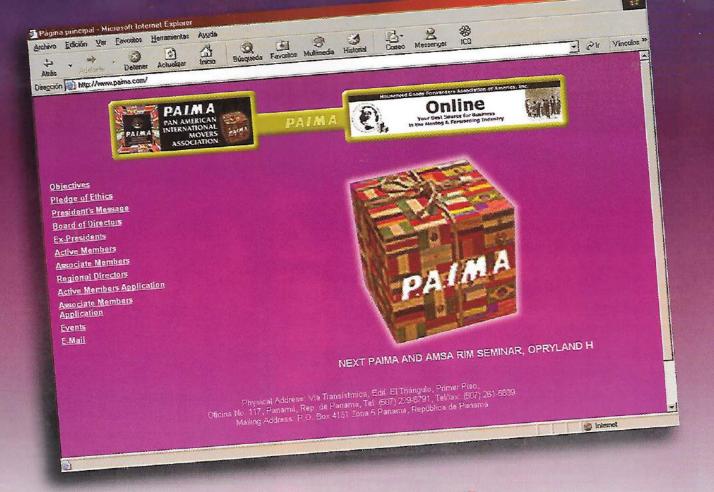
which has the port of point for goods heading to other European ports.

Panama is at the point of development in which the installation of the Multimodal Transport Center of the Americas is very attractive to users of the main ports of the world.

The delegation left Panama without signing any commercial agreements, but it set certain priorities that the delegation promised to make known among European businessmen.







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9:00 - 3:00	Education Program (1)	11:15 - 1:00	AMSA Board of Directors Meeting
	Registered International Mover	11:30 - 1:00	Education Session (7)
	(RIM) Workshop		Your Fast Track to Increased Profits
8:00 - 5:00	Education Program (2)	11:30 - 1:00	Education Program (8)
	Disney Management Workshop		Internet
Thursday N	tarch 14, 2002	12:45 - 1:30	Exhibit Hall Luncheon
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	Optional PEG Workshop		Disney Sports Complex
8:00 - 5:00	Education Program (3)		Baseball Game and Cookout
	Claims Seminar		2 4- 44.44
	Tour - Kennedy Space Center	Sunday, Mar	rch 17, 2002
	Exhibitor Luncheon Meeting		Breakfast with the Exhibitors
	Exhibitor Move-In		Second General Session
	Outside Truck Exhibit Move-In		Exhibit Hall Break
6:30 - 7:30	Earlybird Cocktail Reception	11:15 - 12:45	HGCBC Meeting
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Friday, Mar			Marketing Strategies
	Exhibit Open	11:15 - 12:45	Education Session (8)
	Breakfast with the Exhibitors		Internet
8:30 - 10:30	Education Program (4)	12:45 - 2:30	Lunch with the Exhibitors
	Ten Steps to Improving Profitability		- Silent Auction
9:00 - 5:00	Optional Tour - Winter Park Arts	2:30 - 5:00	Exhibit Teardown
	Festival and Scenic Boat Tour	6:30 - 8:00	International Meeting & Reception
10:45 - 12:15	Education Program (5)	Afternoon and	Evening Free
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10:45 - 12:15	Education Program (6)		
	Benchmarking	Monday, Ma	rcb 18, 2002
12:15 - 1:30	Exhibit Hall Luncheon	8:30 - 10:45	Closing General Session & Awards
	AMSA Safety Committee Meeting		Breakfast
4:00 - 5:00	American Moving and Storage	11:00 - 12:30	Educational Session (7)
	Technical Foundation Meeting		Your Fast Track to Increased Profits
7:30 - 9:30	Chairman's Reception	11:00 - 12:30	Educational Session (9)
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	larch 16, 2002	11:00 - 5:00	AMSA Golf Tournament
7:30 - 8:30	Breakfast with the Exhibitors	12:30 - 5:00	Optional Tours

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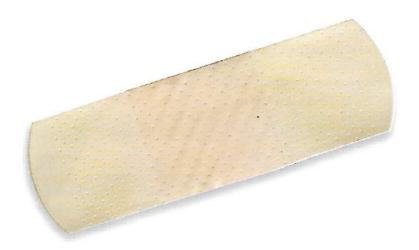
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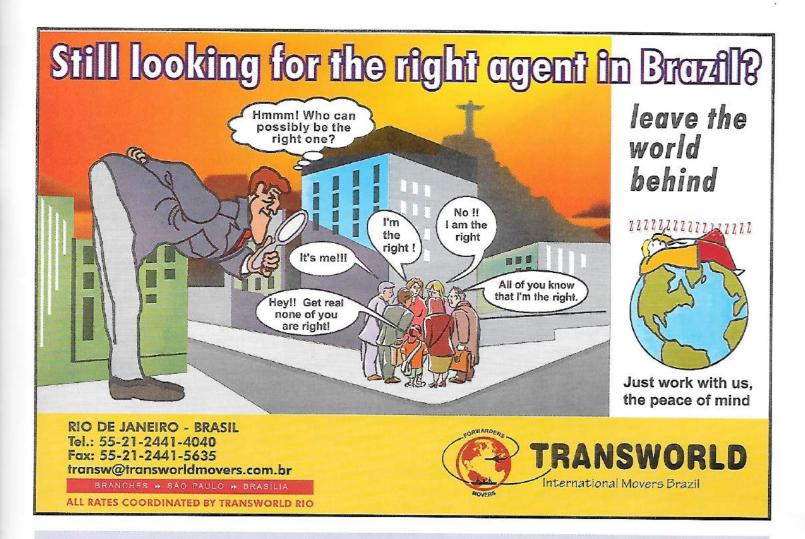


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management team here at Atlas World Group," Helgeson responded. "Peter's integrity and expertise are highly respected in the global community of agents," says Dave Hope, President of Red Ball International, an Atlas partner company. "This will be a natural transition for him and positive for Atlas International customers."

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Jet has been an industry leader since its inception. A founding member of HHGFAA, Jet has always recognized the benefits of strategic alliances, high quality standards of service, and shared visions for the future. When the government first began its ITGBL program, Jet's representatives flew all over the world to identify local moving companies who could be future agents. They trained the management in proper packing and shipping and established the methodology to ensure superior customer service. In many instances, Jet opened offices in these countries to expedite the movement of goods and guarantee standards of quality.

Throughout the years, Jet had international military and commercial operations in Panama, Japan, Germany, Thailand, and Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Jet also operated a port agency and a flatbed fleet in the United States. The company developed and manufactured its own wooden Type II and fiberglass containers and was instrumental in developing a military transportation service, which is now called Code T.

Jet's military division possesses the entrepreneurial spirit to remain highly competitive in both the household goods and unaccompanied baggage markets. It has incorporated complete insurance packages and high value security programs which have dramatically reduced loss and damage claims.

Over the years, Jet has been chosen by the U.S. government to perform in some of the most



demanding relocation projects, including evacuations of military bases in the Philippines, Panama, and Cuba and the drawdown of U.S. military personnel in Europe following the collapse of the Berlin Wall. Jet maintains its flexibility to successfully manage fast growth and contraction in accordance with the fluctuation of business cycles.

Jet reinstated its Commercial Division several years ago, offering to commercial customers logistical alternatives and transportation solutions in the international and domestic marketplace. As commerce expands interactively around the globe, Jet Logistics is there with complete moving packages to provide door-to-door service for household goods and general cargo requiring customized handling.

Jet Forwarding's leadership team reflects a depth of experience. President and CEO Sandra Rowe Maier has been with the company since 1979. She also has provided vision and direction on the HHGFAA board for six years, as vice chairman of the Association and chairman of several committees. She actively participates in interfacing with Congress on the impact of pending legislation and promoted the importance of commercial activity within the Association, working to bring commercial standards into governmental programs to enhance service to the military.

David Rowe joined Jet Forwarding as vice president in 1985. He has been involved in all

aspects of the business, and, under his leadership, Jet has become a front-runner in the utilization of state-of-the-art technology to efficiently track shipments and store documentation. This system enables the implementation of the "paperless office."

All documents relating to the company's business are scanned into the system and from that point onward they are accessed electronically. The document imaging system serves as electronic in/out baskets for moving documents around the relevant department for processing and enables document transfer and access via the Internet. Mr. Rowe has also been involved with the many special projects Jet has undertaken over the years, contributing his creative expertise to improvements, solutions, and innovative approaches.

Jack Buss has been in all aspects of the industry for over 35 years and has been with Jet Forwarding since 1979. His expertise has been derived from managing van line operations, local moving and storage agencies, and freight forwarding operations. He maintains a handson relationship with Jet's customers and agency network.

Ron Wilkinson has spent more than 37 years in the freight industry. He was in the Marine Corps for 23 years when he started loading rail and progressed to director of quality control in the Joint Personal Property Shipping Office. After retiring, he was a manager for a freight forwarder, a moving and storage company, and an off-shore moving company. He now serves as customer service director for Jet Forwarding.

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Packing Materials

Use only strong, corrugated cartons with covers. We can supply you with specially made cartons, for everything from mattresses to clothing and mirrors. The added protection of mover-provided cartons may avoid damage that results from the use of poor-quality packing materials.

Your alternative is to collect boxes discarded by your *grocery or liquor store. Save old newspapers for use in packing, but remember that ink may rub off and stain clothing or other items.

*WARNING: Insect eggs and insects such as roaches can travel in food boxes. Keep this in mind when getting boxes from food stores.

Here's a list a packing supplies that will come in bandy:

- Plastic bags and labels for easy identification.
- Foam peanuts, styrofoam pellets or "popcorn."
- Tissue or craft paper for delicate packing jobs.
- Corrugated paper rolls for figurines and fragile items.
- wide) and/or strong twine for sealing cartons.
- Markers and labels for identifying contents of cartons.
- Notebook and pencil for carton identification log.
- Scissors and/or sharp knife.

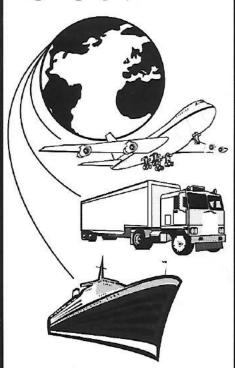
Packing Pointers

Before actually packing-up, you need to have a game plan. For example:

- Pack one room at a time. This will help you when it comes time to unpack.
- Pack a couple of cartons a day, starting well ahead of the move.
- Mark all boxes, designating room and box number. Make a carton identification
- Log to show the number of boxes packed per room and the total number of cartons packed.
- It's a good idea to leave space in your log for a special comments section to note carton conditions or location of high value goods.
- Notify your mover of any high value items.
- Be sure to have plenty of "filling" material available.
- Be sure that the bottoms of all cartons are secured and will hold the weight of the contents.
- Packing tape or gummed tape is better than masking tape.
- Pack heavier items toward the bottom of the box and lighter items toward the top.
- Try to keep a per-box weight of 50 pounds or less; it makes moving a lot easier.
- A general rule to remember on carton size is: the heavier the item, the smaller the carton.

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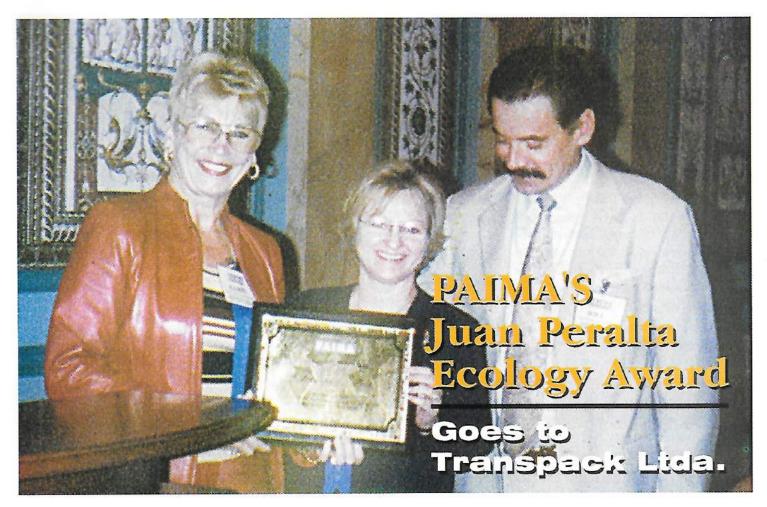
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By: Cliff Williamson

The 2001 winner of the Juan Peralta Ecology Award was Transpack, LTDA. of Bogota, Colombia. For the first time in the award's three-year history, the winner was a member of the PAIMA organization, enabling the presentation ceremony to take place at the PAIMA Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada. In previous years, the award was announced at the PAIMA Convention but presented at a special ceremony at the HHGFAA Convention a few days later. This year's award was again sponsored by Waste Management Inc. - a well-known provider of waste removal and recycling technologies. Waste Management offered both an attractive plaque as well as a check for \$500 to be used at the discretion of the winner.

The Juan Peralta Ecology Award is dear in the heart of the PAIMA organization. PAIMA is determined to make a difference in the moving industry's impact on ecology. PAIMA realized that we, as movers, are significant consumers of natural products and have a special obligation to do our best to minimize any negative impact we may have on the environment. The award goes each year to the moving company which can demonstrate responsibility, leadership, and innovation in ecological best practices. To win, a company must either apply or be nominated by another company. The company does not need to be a PAIMA member to win or to nominate a candidate for the award. PAIMA believes the importance of the award supercedes any requirement for association membership.

The name of Juan Peralta is well known within our industry. Juan - in addition to his contributions to the PAIMA organization - was well known and respected in the moving industry. The lending of his name - with the

permission of his widow - adds to the dignity and recognition of the award. Juan lives on through this award.

Receiving the award for Transpack, LTDA., were Joel Doglioni and Karen Knappstein. Karen was allowed to share with the membership some of the details of the ecological efforts made by Transpack LTDA. Presenting the award was Sandra Rowe Maier of Jet Forwarding. Present were the other members of the award committee: Mauricio Ortiz of APA Worldwide Movers, Joe Pauley of TUMI International, and Cliff Williamson of Transpack Argentina.

Forms for nomination for the Juan Peralta Ecology Award are available at any time through the PAIMA office. To request forms or information, contact Abe Cohn at 507-229-6791, 507-261-5839 or

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The port's location at the crossroads of the main shipping routes has facilitated the Republic's development into a principal centre for shipping activities in Southeast Asia. It is a focal point for some 400 shipping lines linking Singapore to more than 700 ports in 130 countries worldwide. There are about 1,000 ships in the port at any one time.

These ships can look forward to a variety of services, including cargo handling, warehousing, distribution, bunkering and ship supplies. Where necessary, the port also provides pilots and tugs to ships who may not be familiar with Singapore's waterways. The Port also provides round the clock security, environmental control and fire-fighting services at its six terminals at Tanjong Pagar, Keppel, Brani, Pasir Panjang, Sembawang and Jurong. These terminals can accommodate all types of vessels - container ships, bulk carriers, cargo freighters, coasters and lighters.

Depending on their cargo, these vessels will either call at the oil terminals run by the petroleum companies or the terminals managed by the PSA Corporation Limited and the Jurong Port. PSA Corporation operates the terminals at Brani, Keppel, Pasir Panjang, Sembawang and Tanjong Pagar, which deal in container and conventional cargo. It also runs the Singapore Cruise Centre, the cruise hub of the Asia Pacific for passenger liners as well as regional and domestic ferries. Jurong Port, which handles conventional and bulk cargo, comes under the purview of the Jurong Town Corporation (JTC). The Port of Singapore is overseen by the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA), which acts as the sole regulatory body for the Republic's port and maritime affairs.

A free port with minimal tariff protection, Singapore is well poised to take advantage of the ASEAN Free Trade Area (AFTA) which is expected to come into effect by the year 2003.

TGP (TNT) in automotive logistics joint venture in China

TPG NV, of which TNT is a subsidiary, has announced the signing of a joint venture contract with Shanghai Automotive Industry Corporation Group (SIAC) for automotive logistics in China.

Total registered capital in the joint venture is US\$30-million. TGP and SAIC will own an equal 50% in the joint venture.

Shanghai Automotive Industry Corporation is China's leading automotive company, employing more than 60,000 people in vehicle and parts manufacturing and producing 250,000 automobiles per year, through joint ventures with Volkswagen and General Motors.

The joint venture will provide world-class logistics services to the automotive industry in China by offering state-of-the-art logistics technology, solution design, and implementation.

China is regarded as an important growth market for TPG. The joint venture is expected to become one of the key players in China's logistics industry.

The joint venture, the largest foreign investment to date in the China logistics service industry, is expected to be operational from March 2002. It has an annual turnover of approx. EUR 100- million with over 600 employees. The business of the joint venture will include inbound logistics together with finished vehicle distribution and after-sales part logistics.

"The joint venture with SIAC reinforces our global leader becoming in the automotive logistics business. China is on its way to become one of the most important world markets, and it is key for TPG to have an early presence to understand its needs and requirements. "Our goal is to add the most value to our present and future customers in the region," says Roberto Rossi, Managing Board Member of TPG responsible for its division TNT Logistics.

TPG, with its two brands TNT and Royal PTT Post, is a global provider of mail, express and logistics services. It employs approximately 135,000 people in 58 countries and serves over 200 countries.



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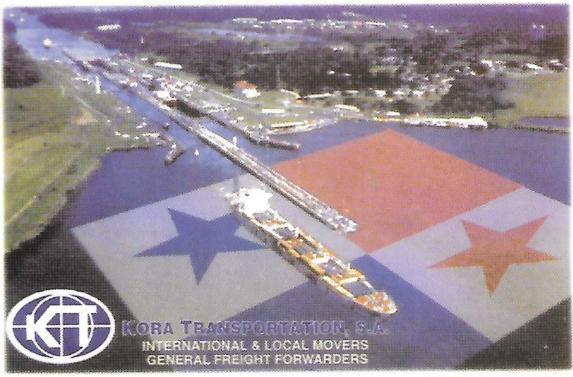
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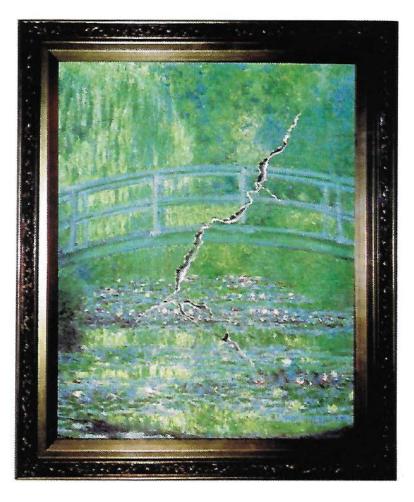






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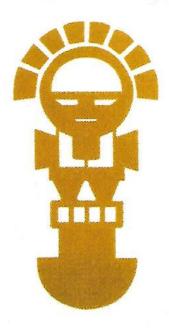








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