

## Destination Siberia: Highland hauls breakbulk from US



**H**ighland Logistics recently moved a considerable amount of breakbulk cargo from Baltimore, Maryland, US, to the Kemerovo region in Siberia, Russia. The cargo pieces measured 7.06 me-

ters by 3.85 meters by 3.18 meters, weighing 24,505 kilograms; and 7.19 meters by 4.04 meters by 3.66 meters, weighing 23,804 kilograms. After the cargo had been shipped breakbulk from Baltimore to Paldiski, Estonia, both units were

loaded onto a Russian truck for the trip to the Kemerovo region in Siberia for a coal processing factory. Customs transit formalities in Estonia were handled by another GPLN Agent - NTN. Trucking was contracted directly by Highland with the Russian trucker. Highland closely consulted with shipper in US to remove many parts from the machines before shipment to make them smaller in order to save large extra costs for permits and escorts. [www.gpln.net](http://www.gpln.net)

## Logiventures goes automotive



Company executives greet the first NYK vessel

**T**he Hayleys Group has begun offering comprehensive automotive logistics solutions, through its logistics services subsidiary Logiventures, to importers clearing their vehicles at the Magan Ruhampuna Mahinda Rajapaksa Port in Hambantota. The company cleared its first shipment of 850 vehicles on June 15, when the NYK Line vessel Cyprus Leader called at the port. The company has already ordered more car carrier trailers to supplement its existing fleet and invested in a vehicle transit facility in close proximity to the Hambantota Port to facilitate the clearing, inspection and transportation

of vehicles discharged at the Port by roll-off (Ro-Ro) vessels. The initial capacity of the facility can accommodate 700 vehicles, the company said.

"Investment in this operation is in response to the recent SLPA decision to divert Ro-Ro vessels to the new port in Hambantota to reduce congestion at the Colombo Port," Logiventures Director Janisha Jayawardi said.

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"Logiventures has been providing automotive logistics services to many leading vehicle importers since 2006 and is the market leader in supporting vehicle importing companies" he said, adding that "the company will work closely with the local community to create employment opportunities for the youth in Hambantota through this initiative".

He also said the company is now geared to offer services including documentation & customs clearance of vehicles, inspection, initial transportation from the port to the company's transit yard, re-inspection of vehicles prior to dispatch

and transportation by car carrier trailers to Colombo or any location specified by the vehicle importers.

### JUST-IN-TIME

"Safety and security are key aspects in an operation of this nature, and Logiventures has an established record in these areas," Mr. Jayawardi added. He said the company was looking at delivering vehicles to the showrooms or yards of importing companies on a "just-in-time" basis, enabling them to better manage their storage and display space.

A member of Hayleys Adrianti, the transportation and logistics arm of the Hayleys Group, Logiventures specializes in cargo handling, transportation, storage facilities, sale & hire of Convertainers® (Portable Cabins) and empty containers, supply of tamper-evident seals & stickers and numerous services related to logistics chains.

The company is excited with being the pioneer in developing a car carrier trailer in Sri Lanka to transport cars on a large scale. [www.gpln.net](http://www.gpln.net)



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