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Cuban import agency ALIMPORT agrees to expand commodities through the Port of Corpus Christi

(Corpus Christi, TX) --- The Port of Corpus Christi through a new agreement with Cuban import agency ALIMPORT will help facilitate the export of 16,000 metric tons of poultry to Cuba which will be the largest shipment since the port signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in 2003. ALIMPORT has further agreed to expand its current line of traditional commodities of wheat, beans and poultry to now include rice, vegetables, pork, eggs, fruit, lentils, peas, cotton, newsprint and utility poles.

Consultants representing bean and poultry customers of the Port of Corpus Christi along with Congressman Solomon P. Ortiz (D-TX) recently concluded a trade mission where an letter of intent was agreed upon to expand commodities, increase poultry shipments and strengthen trade relationships between the two parties.



“The port has offered to provide efficient and cost productive facilities and in turn ALIMPORT will use its best efforts to double its existing business through the port and to explore business opportunities with firms based in the Coastal Bend and throughout Texas,” said Michael Perez, Director of Business Development for the Port of Corpus Christi who traveled as a consultant representing WestStar Foods.

Alimport recognized Congressman Solomon Ortiz (D-TX) as a special guest and appreciated his show of support for the export efforts of the Port of Corpus Christi. Congressman Ortiz traveled at the request of the Port of Corpus Christi and was representing the port as a constituent. Congressman Ortiz pledged to Cuban officials to offer to his colleagues in congress the highlights of his fact-finding trade mission to their country.



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