

## PRESS RELEASE

### Nyala Shipping's contribution to transformational medical initiative recognised

**Geneva, Switzerland, 23 September 2022** — Nyala Shipping SA, the shipping arm of Oryx Energies SA, was proud to collect the Mercy Ships Cargo Day Award for the best charterer of 2021 at the Cargo Day Ball held in Geneva, Switzerland, on 22 September 2022.



From left to right: Gilles Rolland, Managing Director, Nyala Shipping SA; Moussa Diao, CEO Oryx Energies SA; Bryce Wagner, Executive Director Mercy Ships Global

The NGO Mercy Ships is supported by the global shipping and trading community yearly through 'Cargo Day', an annual online event during which cargoes are pledged, donations made and commissions shared in favour of Mercy Ships. More than US\$ 4.7 million has been raised for Mercy Ships by this means from its Geneva chapter since 2016.

At the event ceremony, Gilles Rolland, Managing Director of Nyala Shipping, commented, *"We have supported Cargo Day since the beginning and hope that many more companies will join us in the course of time. The building of the world's largest civilian hospital ship, the Global Mercy, is a huge achievement that will have a transformational effect during the half-century to come, and we are delighted to have been able to make a contribution to its success."*



Moussa Diao, CEO of Oryx Energies SA, added, *“As part of the private entrepreneurial investment group AOG that has pioneered energy development in Africa, Oryx Energies, together with Nyala Shipping SA and Addax Energy SA, has long been familiar with Mercy Ships. In Sierra Leone, our group purchased land and initiated the construction of a clinic for women and children. They invited Mercy Ships to manage and staff this clinic, which has been operational since 2005. Africa is in our DNA, and this project is particularly close to my heart as I grew up in Senegal myself and have lived and worked in various African countries. Mercy Ships has shown time and again its power to transform lives and offer new hope for the future.”*

Founded in 2009, Nyala Shipping provides full shipping services, including commercial ship management, operations, accounting, and demurrage claims. The company handles exclusively all shipping activities of Oryx Energies SA – one of the largest independent providers of energy products and services in sub-Saharan Africa – and in particular for its trading arm, Addax Energy SA. Nyala Shipping has a strong focus on the region, especially for the supply of product petroleum and also for crude oil exports.

Since 1978, Mercy Ships has offered hope and healing to those with little access to surgical care. The NGO uses hospital ships to transform lives by providing essential medical support to those who would not otherwise be able to afford it. During the past 30 years, Mercy Ships has conducted 41 field services in 14 African countries. The 16,572-tonne *Africa Mercy*, the organisation’s hospital ship with five operating theatres and 80 patient beds, is now complemented by the 37,000-tonne *Global Mercy*. Equipped with six operating theatres and 199 patient beds, the *Global Mercy* is currently undergoing final preparations for delivering on-board surgery as of 2023 in Dakar, Senegal.

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### **About Oryx Energies**

Oryx Energies is one of the largest and longest-established independent providers of energy products and services in Africa.

Oryx Energies supplies, stores and distributes energy products needed by consumers, businesses and maritime operations, including fuels, liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) and lubricants, and also offers a specialised bunkering service. Responding to the evolving needs of the African subcontinent for over 30 years, Oryx Energies benefits from a solid depth of experience, knowledge and expertise, accumulated in serving the energy needs of more than twenty countries.

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