

Tailwind takes on more tonnage to avoid Suez disruption

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Tailwind Shipping Lines, the containerline created two years ago by the parent of the German Lidl supermarket chain, is expanding its fleet.

Alphaliner reports has chartered in a number of extra ships to make up for the disruption caused by sailing around the Cape of Good Hope during the ongoing Red Sea shipping crisis.

Among recently chartered in ships, Tailwind has taken the 917 teu Faith, the 1,118 teu Wilhelmina, the 1,134 teu Asiatic Neptune, the 2,207 teu Kumasi and the 1,042 teu Chattanooga.

The brand new 1,380 teu feeder vessel BG Green will also be filled with Tailwind cargo on its maiden voyage in early February when it leaves China on a positioning trip to North Europe.

During the global supply chain crunch experienced during the pandemic a host of well known retail names including Ikea, Walmart and Home Depot opted to charter in their own ships.