



## DAY-LONG EVENTS MARK DP WORLD, UAE REGION'S NATIONAL DAY CELEBRATION

**Dubai, December 1, 2009:** In a fitting tribute to the extraordinary achievements of a young nation, DP World, UAE Region marked the 38<sup>th</sup> UAE National Day through a series of exciting and colourful activities on Tuesday, December 1.

Members of the DP World family, including the port operator's top management, senior officials, employees and their families, took part in the day-long events held at the premises of the flagship Jebel Ali Port.

Activities included traditional and cultural programmes such as a falcon show, henna, sand drawing and a talent show among a host of other events. A photo exhibition on the UAE provided an added spirit of nationalism to the celebrations. A traditional music band cheered up the proceedings. There was a traditional clothes corner and a specially created Souq bringing in an old world ambience.

**Mohammed Al Muallem Senior Vice President and Managing Director DP World, UAE Region, said:**

"Our celebration was the expression of DP World's pride in the great achievements the UAE has made over the past 38 years. It is an honour that we also have been part of this historic march. It was also an occasion for all employees and their families to get together and share the close camaraderie that drives the company's progress."

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## **About DP World**

DP World is one of the largest marine terminal operators in the world, with 49 terminals and 12 new developments across 31 countries<sup>(1)</sup>. Its dedicated, experienced and professional team of nearly 30,000 people serves customers in some of the most dynamic economies in the world.

DP World aims to enhance customers' supply chain efficiency by effectively managing container, bulk and other terminal cargo.

The company constantly invests in terminal infrastructure, facilities and people, working closely with customers and business partners to provide quality services today and tomorrow, when and where customers need them.

In taking this customer-centric approach, DP World is building on the established relationships and superior level of service demonstrated at its flagship Jebel Ali facility in Dubai, which has been voted "Best Seaport in the Middle East" for 15 consecutive years.

In 2008, DP World handled more than 46.8 million TEU (twenty-foot equivalent container units) across its portfolio from the Americas to Asia – an increase of 8% on 2007. With a pipeline of expansion and development projects in key growth markets, including India, China and the Middle East, capacity is expected to rise to around 95 million TEU over the next ten years.

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