

Polish companies make Vatican delivery

Polish transport companies OI-Trans A.Rybka and HR Polska transported a Christmas tree in December, measuring 25 m in length, to the Vatican City onboard a VarioMAX lowbed semi-trailer from Faymonville.

The tree was placed on three specially designed adjustable metal frames in the front, middle and rear of the



semi-trailer, and was secured with ropes, transport straps and

plastic mesh for the 2,650 km journey.

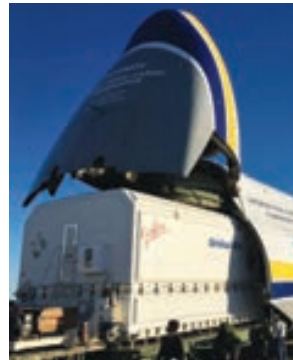
Antonov lifts off with satellite for Orbital

Antonov Airlines has transported a communications satellite from the USA to French Guiana for aerospace and defence manufacturer Orbital ATK.

The Ukraine-headquartered airline carried the 23-tonne Al Yah 3 satellite within a bespoke container measuring 11.4 m long, 4.6 m wide and 4.1 m high,

on board an AN-124-100 aircraft.

Amnon Ehrlich, director sales – North America, at Antonov, said: "Due to the size and weight of the cargo, we used a low-profile ramp system, specifically designed and manufactured by Antonov Company for the satellite and space transportation sector, to safely and efficiently load and offload the satellite."



Montejo uses Goldhofer to move excavator



Transportes Montejo has recently transported an 800-ton (727.7-tonne) PC 8000 hydraulic excavator using its Goldhofer PST/SL modular transporter.

The Colombian heavy transport provider loaded the excavator onto a double-width 16-axle self-propelled combination to transport the equipment across 25 km of

difficult terrain on the site of the Drummond Mine in Colombia.

Transportes Montejo also utilised its PST/SL modular transporters in combination with two power packs and three Kenworth tractors to transport a 1,200-ton (1,089-tonne) P&H 2800 XPC mining excavator. The 32 km route included two mountains, each with gradients up to 5 percent.

JSL takes on last-minute gantry move

Qatar-based JSL Global has coordinated the delivery of four disassembled gantry cranes from Hamad Port to Essen, Germany.

JSL said it completed the project at short notice, as the shipper's original forwarder failed to deliver an acceptable solution given the budget and time constraints.



The complete shipment comprised 20, 40 ft open-top

containers, four 40 ft flattracks and eight 27 m long girders.

JSL coordinated the loading of the cargoes and organised extra-long trailers, police escorts and route surveys in order to move the eight oversized metal beams from the client's site to Hamad Port. JSL Global is a member of the Worldwide Project Consortium (WWPC), representing Qatar.

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Safmarine bus shipment

Nikhil Logistics has coordinated the delivery of 53 commercial buses from India to the Middle East Gulf. The buses were shipped from Nhava Sheva using a Safmarine vessel. The cargoes were loaded on 53 flatbed containers and shipped on a single container vessel as out-of-gauge cargo.

Broekman delivery

Broekman Project Logistics has coordinated the delivery of eight MAN engines, weighing 325-tonnes each, from St Nazaire, France, to Rotterdam. Broekman Project Logistics said it utilised its 'control tower' concept to execute this project, coordinating various internal departments including Broekman Chartering, Broekman Breakbulk Terminals and Broekman Shipping.

Stevens hauls turbine

Stevens Towing has delivered a second GE LMS100 gas turbine from South Carolina to Houston. The module was loaded onto a barge at Lake Marion and transported to Stevens Towing's facility in Charleston, where the turbine was lifted off the trailer using a 453.6-tonne capacity floating crane, Ocean Ranger, and placed directly onto the deck barge for onward transportation to Houston.

Altius lifts with Jumbo

Altius has transported two fully erected ship unloaders from the port of Hamriyah in the UAE, to the port of Aqaba, Jordan. Altius was responsible for the loading and stowage of the 471-tonne cranes, which were loaded on board Jumbo Maritime's heavy lift vessel Jumbo Javelin using the vessel's own crane.

Conveyor power lift

Conveyor Logistics has handled the inland transportation of oversized cargoes for the Ghorashal 365 MW combined-cycle power plant in Bangladesh. The heaviest items, the 314-ton (285-tonne) gas turbine and 328-ton (298-tonne) gas turbine generator, were loaded onto flat barges at the port of Mongla and transported by river to Ghorashal.