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CELEBRITY EQUINOX MAKES UNSCHEDULED CALL TO ST. THOMAS



The Celebrity Equinox made an unscheduled call to the Monsanto Marine Terminal in St. Thomas today.

The Virgin Islands Port Authority is excited to welcome the Celebrity Equinox cruise ship at the Austin "Babe" Monsanto Marine Terminal today. The Equinox made an unscheduled call to St. Thomas and arrived at 4 p.m. having been diverted from another port. The ship departs at 1 a.m. tomorrow. VIPA immediately notified the shop owners, vendors and taxi association at Crown Bay Center, and also contacted the V.I. Police Department and the V.I. Department of Tourism to make special accommodations for the overnight ship. The Equinox has a capacity of 2,850 passengers and approximately 1,250 crew members.

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The Virgin Islands Port Authority (VIPA) is an autonomous, self-sustaining government agency established in 1969 as the owner and manager of the United States Virgin Island's airports and seaports. VIPA owns and manages 14 seaports, two airports and surrounding properties. It is a critical arm of the USVI's economy that facilitates travel and commerce and fosters tourism and economic growth via its port activities. VIPA's mandate is to develop and maintain the ports of the USVI to accommodate the current and future demands of our users, and to provide safe port facilities.