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ANLIN SHIPPING EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN RETIRES

Anton du Preez, the founder of Anlin shipping Pty Ltd in 1998, is stepping down as Executive Chairman of the company at the end of 2015.

Anton was involved in the export fruit business since 1978, starting at the Deciduous Fruit Board as Transport Planner and ending his career at Unifruco 20 years later as Chief Operating Officer. He then founded Anlin Shipping as the South African agent for Seatrade Reefer Chartering, the world's largest reefer shipping company. Anton says "those early days following the deregulation of the South African export fruit industry were a dog fight between the world's specialised reefer shipping lines to obtain a piece of the fruit exports, but Seatrade via Anlin, managed to secure the lion share of the exports and still today provides shipping services to exporters that supported the Seatrade service from the start".

Anton says that he is fortunate to have staff that joined Anlin from the outset and as a result they are well known, established and the company can continue into the future with confidence. As from 1 January 2016, Charles Gantz will become the Managing Director of Anlin Shipping, supported by Tania Laskey as Director: Finance and Administration.

Anton and his wife, Linda, will retire in Onrus River on the southeast coast of the Western Cape where they have been living for the past two years. They are planning to do some travelling, while Anton wants to improve his golf handicap and have free time to enjoy his music room.

Anton wants to thank the exporters and service providers who supported Anlin, Seatrade for entrusting him to represent them in South Africa, his loyal staff, all the friends that he made through his business career, his wife and children for their support and the Lord for carrying him throughout his career. It's been one heck of a ride!

