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Carnival Puts 15-Drink Daily Cap on Alcohol Package

(SAMMAMISH, WASHINGTON)-January 21, 2013- The International Cruise Victims Association, Inc. (ICV) a not-for-profit corporation formed by victims and families of victims of cruise ship crime is a unique organization.

As ICV moves into a new year, developments will be occurring. These include the following:

1. Through the efforts of our Australian Chapter headed by Mark Brimble, the Australia Government is starting to hold hearings on the need to put legislation in place similar to the Cruise Vessel Security and Safety Act. Both Mark Brimble and Chairman, Kendall Carver will be testifying at hearings in Brisbane, Australia on February 1st. These hearings are a result of a [Report issued](#) in November of 2010 recommending that the Australian Government move forward.
2. In the coming session of Congress, additional legislation will be introduced to further improve the provisions of the CVSSA. More details will be released over the next few months.
3. In addition, ICV made major progress this past year in addressing the issues of crimes and accountability on cruise ships. Meetings have been held in London and Brussels with members of Parliament, the International Maritime Organization, and the Officials of the EU.
4. [Victim Support – Europe](#) has made ICV an Associate member. They are the umbrella network for national victim support organizations in Europe. It consists of 32 national member organizations, ICV is the only member based in the United States.
5. ICV continues to be the subject of major media coverage. Both under [ICV News](#) and on our [home page](#) you will see the major media articles and TV shows. Every third day someplace in the world there is a new story involving ICV and our members.

The issue of the cruise lines taking steps to improve safety just still never seems to happen. On January 17, Travel Weekly put out a article concerning the policy established of [unlimited drink policy](#) regarding Carnival Cruise Lines.

This article titled, “Carnival puts 15-drink daily cap on alcohol package”. This indicates the following, “The package, which is now being offered on 13 Carnival ships, lets passengers pay for all beverages on a cruise in a single payment. A Carnival spokesman said the cruise line recently “formalized” the limit on how many alcoholic drinks guests will be served within a 24-hour period running from 6 a.m. to 6 a.m. the following day.”

ICV **strongly condemns** this action. For cruise lines to promote unlimited drinks for one price will result in people becoming inebriated that adds to the likelihood of a crime occurring. Limiting it to 15 a day is a sad joke. In addition, there are no police to protect the passengers and families and the passengers safety on the high sea rests with the county were the ship has been flagged.

More and more victims and friends are joining ICV to support our efforts. Our work never seems to end.

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