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SAIL BALTIMORE HOSTS THREE INTERNATIONAL SHIPS IN ONE WEEK

HNoMS *Statsraad Lehmkuhl*, BNS *Brasil*, and HDMS *Niels Juel* Come to Baltimore

BALTIMORE, MD (OCTOBER 27, 2014) - Sail Baltimore, a non-profit organization responsible for bringing visiting ships from around the world to Baltimore, will kick off November by welcoming a trifecta of ships including the HNoMS *Statsraad Lehmkuhl* from Norway, the BNS *Brasil* from Brazil, and the HDMS *Niels Juel* from Denmark. The public will be able to tour the three ships for free during their stay in Charm City.

The first ship making an appearance this month, is the HNoMS *Statsraad Lehmkuhl*. Docking at the Inner Harbor's West Wall on November 5th and departing on November 12th. Free public tours will be available from 10am – 3pm, Saturday November 8th and Sunday November 9th. The *Statsraad Lehmkuhl*, a training vessel for the Norwegian Navy, was launched in 1914 and at 323' long, it's one of the largest sailing ships to visit Baltimore this year.

November 7-12, the 431' long BNS *Brasil* will be docked at Under Armour pier, formerly known as Tide Point. The public can tour the ship November 8th, 9th and 11th from 2pm-8pm. Commissioned in 1984, the BNS *Brasil* was the last ship built by the Brazilian Navy to be used as a training vessel and for the past 30 years, has been traveling the globe as a sailing classroom for cadets.

The final visiting ship of the week is the 455' long Danish Frigate HDMS *Niels Juel*, docking in Fells Point at the Broadway Pier, November 10 – 14. Visiting hours will be on Tuesday, November 11th from 10am -4pm. Commissioned in Denmark in 2011, the *Niels Juel* frigate was the last of three *Iver Huitfeldt* class vessels built for the Navy. Designed for anti-warfare defense, the ship can travel at up to 28 knots, has a range of 9000 nautical miles and is home to a crew of 165 personnel.

All public ship tours are free. For tour hours or more information about the ships, visit www.sailbaltimore.org.

If you would like to speak to a Sail Baltimore representative or take a media tour of the ships, please contact Roger Mecca: rmecca@weinbergharris.com or 410-243-133 x-225.

Sail Baltimore (www.sailbaltimore.org) brings international tall ships and modern navy vessels to the port of Baltimore every year, providing a free, ever-changing maritime museum for residents and visitors. Our mission is three-fold: to stimulate Baltimore's economy, educate young people and promote cultural exchange. As a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, Sail Baltimore programs have provided significant benefits to the citizens and businesses of the City of Baltimore and State of Maryland since 1975.