Registration No. 333-

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8
REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

CARNIVAL PLC

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

ENGLAND AND WALES (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

NONE

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

3655 N.W. 87th Avenue Miami, Florida 33178-2428 (305) 599-2600

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

Carnival Cruise Lines, Inc. 1987 Stock Option Plan
Carnival Corporation 1992 Stock Option Plan
Carnival Corporation 1993 Outside Directors' Stock Option Plan
Carnival Corporation 1993 Employee Stock Purchase Plan
Carnival Corporation 2001 Outside Director Stock Option Plan
Carnival Corporation 2002 Stock Plan
(Full title of plans)

Arnaldo Perez, Esq.
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(Name and address of agent for service)

 $\hbox{(305) 599-2600} \\ \hbox{(Telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)}$ 

#### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Securities to be Registered	Amount to be Registered	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Share	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price	Amount of Registration Fee
Carnival plc, special voting share, (pound) 1.00 par value (1)	1	N/A	N/A	N/A (4)
Trust shares of beneficial interest in the P&O Princess Special Voting Trust (2) (3)	55,143,012 (5)	N/A	N/A	N/A (4)

- (1) Represents one special voting share of Carnival plc issued to the P&O Princess Special Voting Trust in connection with the dual listed company transaction entered into by Carnival plc and Carnival Corporation.
- (2) Represents trust shares of beneficial interest in the P&O Princess Special Voting Trust. In connection with the dual listed company transaction, one trust share is paired with each share of common stock, par value \$0.01, of Carnival Corporation ("Carnival Corporation Common Stock") and is not transferable separately from the share of Carnival Corporation Common Stock.
- (3) Each of the employee benefit plans of Carnival Corporation described above (collectively, the "Plans") relates to restricted Carnival Corporation Common Stock or stock options exercisable into shares of Carnival Corporation Common Stock. Upon each issuance of shares of Carnival Corporation Common Stock in connection with the Plans, participants will be issued a certificate or certificates representing both the shares of Carnival Corporation Common Stock and an equivalent number of trust shares (which represent a beneficial interest in the special voting share of Carnival plc).
- (4) Participants in the Plans will not pay any separate consideration in respect of the trust shares (and the beneficial interest in the special voting share of Carnival plc) and Carnival plc will not receive any cash or other consideration in respect of the trust shares (and the beneficial interest in the special voting share of Carnival plc). Accordingly, no registration fee is payable.
- (5) This Registration Statement also relates to such indeterminate number of additional trust shares (and the related beneficial interests in the special voting share of Carnival plc) as may be issuable as a result of

stock splits, stock dividends or additional similar transactions with respect to shares of Carnival Corporation Common Stock.

### EXPLANATORY NOTE

On April 17, 2003, Carnival plc, formerly known as P&O Princess Cruises plc (the "Company" or the "Registrant"), completed a dual listed company, or , transaction with Carnival Corporation. As part of the DLC transaction, the Company issued a special voting share and transferred such share to the trustee of the P&O Princess Special Voting Trust, a trust established under the laws of the Cayman Islands. Trust shares of beneficial interest in the P&O Princess Special Voting Trust were transferred to Carnival Corporation. The trust shares represent a beneficial interest in the Carnival plc special voting share. Immediately following the transfer, Carnival Corporation distributed such trust shares by way of a dividend to holders of shares of common stock of Carnival Corporation ("Carnival Corporation Common Stock"). Pursuant to the Pairing Agreement (the "Pairing Agreement"), dated as of April 17, 2003, between Carnival Corporation, The Law Debenture Trust Corporation (Cayman) Limited, as trustee of the P&O Princess Special Voting Trust and SunTrust Bank, as transfer agent, the trust shares of beneficial interest in the P&O Princess Special Voting Trust are paired with, and evidenced by, certificates representing shares of Carnival Corporation Common Stock on a one-for-one basis. In addition, under the Pairing Agreement, when a share of Carnival Corporation Common Stock is issued to a recipient after the closing of the DLC transaction, a paired trust share will be issued at the same time to the same recipient. Each share of Carnival Corporation Common Stock and the paired trust share may not be transferred separately. The Carnival Corporation Common Stock and the trust shares (including the beneficial interest in the Carnival plc special voting share) are listed and trade together on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "CCL".

Upon each issuance of shares of Carnival Corporation Common Stock under the employee benefit plans described on the cover page of this Registration Statement (collectively, the "Plans"), participants will be issued a certificate or certificates representing both the shares of Carnival Corporation Common Stock and an equivalent number of trust shares (which represent a beneficial interest in the special voting share of Carnival plc). Previously, Carnival Corporation filed Registration Statements on Form S-8 to register the issuance of shares of Carnival Corporation Common Stock under the Plans. Carnival plc is filing this registration statement to register the Carnival plc special voting share and the trust shares of beneficial interest in the P&O Princess Special Voting Trust that may be issued in connection with the Plans.

The Section 10(a) prospectus being delivered by the Company to participants in the Plans, as required by Rule 428 under the Securities Act of 1933, has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Form S-8 under the Securities Act and relates to shares of Carnival Corporation Common Stock, the trust shares of beneficial interest in the P&O Princess Special Voting Trust, and the Carnival plc special voting share. The information related to the Plans required in the Section 10(a) prospectus is included in documents being maintained and delivered by Carnival Corporation and the Company as required by Rule 428 under the Securities Act. The Company will provide to participants in the Plans a written statement advising them of the availability, without charge, upon written or oral request, of documents incorporated by reference herein, as is required by Item 2 of Part I of Form S-8.

#### PART I

# INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(A) PROSPECTUS

#### ITEM 1. PLAN INFORMATION

Not required to be filed in this Registration Statement.

ITEM 2. REGISTRANT INFORMATION AND EMPLOYEE PLAN ANNUAL INFORMATION

Not required to be filed in this Registration Statement.

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## INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

### ITEM 3. INCORPORATION OF DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

The following documents filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission are incorporated herein by reference:

- The Company's Annual Report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2002;
- 2. The joint current report on Form 8-K of the Company and Carnival Corporation, filed on April 17, 2003; and
- 3. The description of the Carnival plc special voting share and the trust shares of beneficial interest in the P&O Princess Special Voting Trust contained in the Company's Registration Statement on Form 8-A, filed on March 20, 2003 and amended on April 9, 2003 and April 11, 2003.

All documents filed by the Company pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, subsequent to the date hereof and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities registered pursuant to this Registration Statement have been sold or which deregister all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement and to be part hereof from the date of filing of such documents. Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed documents which also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or

superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part hereof.

### ITEM 4. DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES

Not Applicable.

### ITEM 5. INTERESTS OF NAMED EXPERTS AND COUNSEL

Not Applicable.

#### ITEM 6. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Article 288 of the Company's articles of association provides, subject to the provisions of the UK Companies Act 1985, that without prejudice to any indemnity to which a director may otherwise be entitled, every director or other officer of the Company or Carnival Corporation shall be indemnified out of the assets of the Company against any liability incurred by him to the fullest extent permitted by law. Under the UK Companies Act 1985, a UK company is not permitted to indemnify a director or officer of the company (or any person employed by the company as an auditor) against any liability in respect of any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust of which he may be guilty in relation to the company. UK companies, however, may (i) purchase and maintain liability insurance for officers and directors; and (ii) indemnify officers and directors against any liability incurred by him either in defending any proceedings in which judgment is given in his favour or he is acquitted, or in connection with the court granting him relief from liability in the case of honest and reasonable conduct.

The Company has entered into agreements with each of its directors providing essentially the same indemnities as are described in the Company's articles of association as described above.

#### ITEM 7. EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION CLAIMED

Not Applicable.

#### ITEM 8. EXHIBITS

The Exhibit Index is hereby incorporated by reference.

### ITEM 9. UNDERTAKINGS

- (a) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:
- (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement:

- (i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;
- (ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement;

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed by the registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- $\hbox{(3)} \qquad \hbox{To remove from registration by means of a} \\ \hbox{post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which} \\ \hbox{remain unsold at the termination of the offering.}$
- (b) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act, that is incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered herein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Miami, State of Florida, on April 17, 2003.

#### CARNIVAL PLC

By: /s/ Micky Arison

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Micky Arison

Chairman of the Board of Directors and

Chief Executive Officer

Each of the undersigned directors and officers of Carnival plc hereby severally constitutes and appoints Howard S. Frank, Gerald R. Cahill or Arnaldo Perez, and each of them, as attorneys-in-fact for the undersigned, in any and all capacities, with full power of substitution, to sign any amendments to this Registration Statement (including post-effective amendments), and to file the same with exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that each said attorney-in-fact, or any of them, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated:

SIGNATURE	TITLE	DATE
/s/ Micky Arison		
Micky Arison	Director, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	April 17, 2003

/s/ Howard S. Frank

Howard S. Frank

Director, Vice-Chairman of April 17, 2003
the Board and Chief
Operating Officer

/s/ Gerald R. Cahill		
Gerald R. Cahill	Senior Vice President Finance and Chief Financial and Accounting Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)	April 17, 2003
/s/ Robert H. Dickinson		
Robert H. Dickinson	Director	April 17, 2003
/s/ Pier Luigi Foschi		
Pier Luigi Foschi	Director	April 17, 2003
/s/ A. Kirk Lanterman		
A. Kirk Lanterman	Director	April 17, 2003
/s/ Peter G. Ratcliffe		
Peter G. Ratcliffe	Director	April 17, 2003
Stuart Subotnick	Director	
/s/ Richard G. Capen, Jr.		
Richard G. Capen, Jr.	Director	April 17, 2003
/s/ Arnold W. Donald		
Arnold W. Donald	Director	April 17, 2003
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SIGNATURE

DATE

SIGNATURE	TITLE	DATE 
/s/ Baroness Hogg Baroness Hogg	Director	April 17, 2003
Modesto A. Maidique	Director	
/s/ Sir John Parker Sir John Parker	Director	April 17, 2003
 Uzi Zucker	Director	

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EXHIBIT

DESCRIPTION

4.1	Articles of Association of Carnival plc (incorporated by reference to the joint current report on Form 8-K of the Company and Carnival Corporation, filed on April 17, 2003).
4.2	Memorandum of Association of Carnival plc (incorporated by reference to the joint current report on Form 8-K of the Company and Carnival Corporation, filed on April 17, 2003).
4.3	Voting Trust Deed, dated April 17, 2003, between Carnival Corporation and The Law Debenture Trust Corporation (Cayman) Limited, as trustee (incorporated by reference to the joint current report on Form 8-K of the Company and Carnival Corporation, filed on April 17, 2003).
4.4	Pairing Agreement, dated as of April 17, 2003, between Carnival Corporation, The Law Debenture Trust Corporation (Cayman) Limited, as trustee, and SunTrust Bank, as transfer agent (incorporated by reference to the joint current report on Form 8-K of the Company and Carnival Corporation, filed on April 17, 2003).
4.5	SVE Special Voting Deed, dated as of April 17, 2003, between Carnival Corporation, DLS SVC Limited, P&O Princess Cruises, plc, The Law Debenture Trust Corporation (Cayman) Limited, as trustee, and The Law Debenture Trust Corporation, P.L.C. (incorporated by reference to the joint current report on Form 8-K of the Company and Carnival Corporation, filed on April 17, 2003).
5.1	Opinion of Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer.
5.2	Opinion of Maples and Calder.
23.1	Consent of Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer (included with Exhibit $5.1$ ).
23.2	Consent of Maples and Calder (included with Exhibit 5.2).
23.3	Consent of KPMG Audit plc, chartered accountants and registered auditor.
24.1	Powers of Attorney (included on the signature pages hereof).

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17 April 2003

Dear Sirs

Registration Statement on Form S-8

- 1. In connection with the above mentioned Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement") filed by Carnival plc (previously known as P&O Princess Cruises plc, the "Company") with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act"), and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, we have been requested to render our opinion as to the legality of the special voting share of 1 pound in the capital of the Company that was issued as part of the combination with Carnival Corporation plc ("Carnival") effected on 17 April 2003 through the use of a dual listed company structure (the "Special Voting Share").
- (i) the Registration Statement to be filed under the Act;
- (ii) a certified copy of the Offer and Implementation Agreement entered into between Carnival and the Company and dated as of 8 January 2003 (the "Offer and Implementation Agreement");
- (iii) a copy of the new Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company approved at the Company's extraordinary general meeting held on 16 April 2003 and in force as at 17 April 2003;
- (iv) a copy of the Company's Certificate of Incorporation dated 19 July 2000 issued by the Registrar of Companies of England and Wales;
- (v) a certificate dated 17 April 2003 issued by the Registrar of Companies of England and Wales (the "Certificate of Good Standing") certifying that:

"The Company was incorporated under the Companies Act 1985 as a public company on 19th July 2000. According to the documents on the

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file of the company in the custody of the Registrar of Companies, the company has been in continuous and unbroken existence since the date of its incorporation. No action is currently being taken by the Registrar of Companies for striking the company off the register and dissolving it as defunct, and as far as the Registrar is aware: -

- (a) the company is not in liquidation or subject to an administration order, and  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right)$
- (b) no receiver or manager of the company's property has been appointed";
- (vi) an extract of minutes of a meeting of the Board of the directors of the Company held on 11 March 2003 authorising the issue and allotment of the Special Voting Share to Carnival plc at or prior to Closing (as defined in the Offer and Implementation Agreement); and
- (vii) a certificate issued to us by the Company Secretary dated 17 April 2003.

and relied upon the statements as to factual matters contained in or made pursuant to each of the above mentioned documents.

3. In considering the above documents and rendering this opinion we have with your consent and without any further enquiry assumed:

- (a) the genuineness of all signatures on, and the authenticity and completeness of, all documents submitted to us whether as originals or copies;
- (b) the conformity to originals of all documents supplied to us as photocopies or facsimile copies;
- (c) that each of the statements contained in a certificate of the Company Secretary dated 17 April 2003 is true and correct as at the date hereof:
- (d) that the information revealed by our search on the date of this letter (carried out by us or by ICC Information Ltd. on our behalf) of the public documents of the Company kept at the Registrar of Companies of England and Wales was accurate in all respects and has not since the time of such search been altered;
- (e) that the information revealed by our oral enquiry on the date of this letter of the Central Registry of Winding up Petitions was accurate in all respects and has not since the time of such enquiry been altered;
- (f) that the Certificate of Good Standing dated 17 April 2003 and issued by the Registrar of Companies of England and Wales was validly issued and accurate in all respects; and
- (g) the meeting of the board of directors of the Company to authorise the issue and allotment of the Special Voting Share was properly convened, quorate and properly held and the extract of the minutes of that meeting referred to in 2(vi)

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above is a true and accurate description of the resolution passed at that meeting and the resolution remains in force and has not been revoked.

- 4. Based and relying solely upon the foregoing, we confirm that, in our opinion:
- (i) The Company is duly incorporated and the Registrar of Companies of England and Wales has issued the Certificate of Good Standing on 17 April 2003.
- (ii) The Special Voting Share has been duly authorized and validly issued in accordance with the Offer and Implementation Agreement and is fully paid and non-assessable.

For the purposes of the opinion, we have assumed that the term "non-assessable" in relation to the Special Voting Share means under English law that the holder of such share, in respect of which all amounts due on such share as to the nominal amount and any premium thereon have been fully paid, will be under no further obligation to contribute to the liabilities of the Company solely in its capacity as holder of such share.

This opinion is limited to English law as currently applied by the English courts and is given on the basis that it will be governed by and construed in accordance with current English law. Accordingly, we express no opinion with regard to any system of law other than the law of England as currently applied by the English courts.

We hereby consent to the use of our name in the Registration Statement and to the filing of this opinion as Exhibit 5.1 to the Registration Statement. In giving this consent, we do not thereby admit that we are within the category of persons whose consent is required by the Act or by the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

This opinion is given to you for your benefit and for the purposes of the Registration Statement to be filed under the  ${\sf Act.}$ 

Yours faithfully

/s/ Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer

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EXHIBIT 5.2

# MAPLES and CALDER Cayman Europe Asia

P&O Princess Cruises PLC 77 New Oxford Street, London, WC1A 1PP United Kingdom

Carnival Corporation 3655 N.W. 87th Avenue Miami, Florida 33178-2428 U.S.A.

17th April, 2003

Dear Sirs

## P&O PRINCESS SPECIAL VOTING TRUST

- We have acted as Cayman Islands counsel to The Law Debenture Trust Corporation (Cayman) Limited (the "Trustee") in connection with:
  - (1) the voting trust deed (the "Trust Deed") dated 17th April, 2003 by and between Carnival Corporation, a Panamanian corporation, (the "Depositor") and the Trustee, pursuant to which the Depositor and the Trustee established the P&O Princess Special Voting Trust, a Cayman Islands law trust (the "Trust") and pursuant to which shares of beneficial interest in the Trust (the "Trust Shares") are to be issued and the initial trust property of which is the P&O Princess Special Voting Share (the "Initial Property"); and
  - the registration statement on Form S-8, including all amendments or supplements thereto ("Form S-8"), filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on 17th April, 2003 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Registration Statement") relating to, among other things, 55,143,012 Trust Shares to be issued pursuant to certain employee benefit plans of Carnival Corporation referred to in the Form S-8 (the "Plans").
- 2 We are furnishing this opinion as Exhibit 5.2 to the Registration Statement.
- 3 Other terms used but not defined in this letter are used as defined in the Registration Statement or the Trust Deed.

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- 4 For the purposes of this opinion, we have reviewed only originals, copies or final drafts of the following documents:
  - (1) the Trust Deed; and
  - (2) the Form S-8.
- This opinion is given only as to, and based on, circumstances and matters of fact existing and known to us on the date of this opinion.

  This opinion relates only to the laws of the Cayman Islands in force on the date of this opinion. We have relied on the following assumptions, which we have not independently verified.
  - (1) The Trust Deed will be authorised and duly executed and delivered by or on behalf of the Depositor in accordance with all relevant laws.
  - (2) The Trust Deed will be legal, valid, binding and enforceable against the Depositor and the Trustee in accordance with its

- terms under all relevant laws other than the laws of the Cayman Islands.
- (3) Copy documents, conformed copies or drafts of documents provided to us are true and complete copies of, or in the final forms of, the originals.
- (4) All signatures, initials and seals are genuine.
- (5) The power, authority and legal right of the Depositor and the Trustee under all relevant laws and regulations to enter into, execute, deliver and perform their respective obligations under the Trust Deed (other than the Trustee under the laws of the Cayman Islands).
- (6) There is nothing under any law (other than Cayman Islands law) that would or might affect the opinions in this letter. Specifically, we have made no independent investigation of the laws of England and Wales, the Republic of Panama or the States of New York or Florida.
- Based on the foregoing and subject to the qualifications set out below and having regard to such legal considerations as we consider relevant, we are of the opinion that:

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- (1) The Trust is duly established and constitutes a validly existing trust under the laws of the Cayman Islands.
- (2) The Trust Shares to be issued as contemplated under the Plans have been duly authorised for issuance in accordance with the provisions of the Trust Deed and,

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P&O Princess Special Voting Trust

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on the relevant entries being made in the Share Register, the Trust Shares will constitute validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable Trust Shares and, in respect of such Trust Shares, the registered holders will have the rights attributable thereto as set forth in the Trust Deed.

- The opinions expressed above are subject to the following qualifications.
  - Nominal Cayman Islands stamp duty of CI\$40 (US\$48) may be (1) payable if the original Trust Deed is brought to or executed in the Cayman Islands.
  - (2) The obligations of the Trustee may be subject to restrictions pursuant to United Nations sanctions as implemented under the laws of the Cayman Islands.
  - All the beneficiaries under the trust may together terminate (3) the Trust notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Trust Deed.
- We express no view as to whether the terms of the Trust Deed represent 8 the intentions of the parties and make no comment with regard to the representations that may be made by the Depositor or the Trustee.
- This opinion is given today and may not be relied on at any later date. This opinion is given for your benefit for the purposes of the Registration Statement to be filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.
- We consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement. In giving consent, we do not admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Rules and Regulations of the Commission thereunder.

Yours faithfully

/s/ Maples and Calder

MAPLES AND CALDER

### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' CONSENT

We consent to the use of our report dated 6 February 2003, with respect to the consolidated balance sheets of P&O Princess Cruises plc as of 31 December 2002 and 2001, and the related consolidated profit and loss accounts, cash flow statements, statements of total recognised gains and losses and reconciliation of movements in consolidated shareholders' funds for each of the years in the three-year period ended 31 December 2002, incorporated by reference in the registration statement on Form S-8 of Carnival plc (formerly P&O Princess Cruises plc). Our report refers to the adoption of FRS19 Deferred Tax.

/s/ KPMG Audit Plc

KPMG Audit Plc Chartered Accountants Registered Auditor London, England 17 April 2003