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The pressure is building on the new chairman to restore the profitability of the shipping conglomerate

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East Asia box exports contract. Capacity cuts insufficient to offset weak Latin America demand, writes MDS Transmodal

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If transatlantic carriers are to tighten utilisation levels then they must learn from last year and resist flooding the trade with tonnage once the peak season kicks in, reports Linton Nightingale

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Increase in demolition activity and slowdown of vessel deliveries stunts growth, but whether this will alleviate overriding overcapacity remains to be seen, reports Linton Nightingale

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Asia-Africa capacity remains too high for demand. Increase in larger vessels not being offset by service reductions, writes James Baker

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GRI failure does not bode well for lines pinning their hopes on a fruitful peak season to ease their suffering, reports Linton Nightingale

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BEDFELLOWS AS
CONTAINER LINES
FIGHT FOR SURVIVAL**

The dust is starting to settle on the biggest shake-up the industry has ever seen, but expect a few more shocks still to come, writes Janet Porter

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Turkish entrepreneur sees opportunities as US ports strive to catch up with overseas rivals, writes Janet Porter

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Consolidation at the top and a potential shake-out further down the rankings is re-shaping the box leasing industry, writes Janet Porter

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Container shipping industry now in better shape but Søren Skou says some lines will have to make tough decisions about their future, writes Janet Porter

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Logistics providers need to keep one step ahead of ocean carriers to make further inroads into their business, writes Alastair Hill

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