

CRUZAN INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Form 8-K

July 20, 2005

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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### FORM 8-K

#### CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **July 8, 2005**

### CRUZAN INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State of Incorporation)

**1-13453**  
(Commission File Number)

**59-1284057**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**222 Lakeview Avenue, Suite 1500, West Palm Beach, FL**  
(Address of principal executive office)

**33401**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(561) 655-8977**

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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On July 8, 2005, the Company issued a press release announcing that today The Absolut Spirits Company, Inc., a Delaware corporation, a wholly-owned subsidiary of V&S Vin & Sprit AB, had submitted a proposed Agreement and Plan of Merger pursuant to which a wholly-owned subsidiary of ASCI would merge with and into the Company, and each issued share of Company common stock would be converted into the right to receive \$28.37 in cash.

A copy of the press release relating to the foregoing is set forth as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(a) Financial Statements of Business Acquired.

Not applicable.

(b) *Pro Forma* Financial Information.

Not applicable.

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 The Company's Press Release, dated July 8, 2005.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CRUZAN INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Date: July 18, 2005

By: /s/ Ezra Shashoua  
Ezra Shashoua  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer