Blaze delays liner

The Greek liner Australis will arrive in Suva hours late today because of fire which broke out in the galley.

The ship was due to arrive early this morning and is not now expected until about noon.

A spokesman for the owners of the ship told AAP in Auckland early yesterday that the fire broke out in the galley but was brought under control an hour fater by the ship's crew.

"We have not yet received a full report on the incident but there were no casualties and no panic." he said.

The 35,000-ton liner with 2000 passengers on board, is calling at Suva on her way to Southampton.