



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
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NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN -- DOCKET OST-97-3124

This serves as notice to the public of the action described below, taken by the Department official indicated (no additional confirming order will be issued in this matter).

Application of **Delta Air Lines, Inc.** filed **12/21/98** to:

XX Renew exemption under 49 U.S.C. 40109 to provide the following service:

Scheduled foreign air transportation of persons, property, and mail between Atlanta, Georgia, and Lima, Peru, and to combine this authority with its existing certificate and exemption authority. Delta has requested the authority for an indefinite duration.

XX Renew allocation of seven weekly U.S.-Peru combination frequencies to operate the above service.

Applicant rep.: **Robert E. Cohn, 202-663-8060** DOT analyst: **Sylvia Moore, 202-366-6519**

DISPOSITION

XX **Granted in part** (subject to conditions, see below)

XX **Balance dismissed** (i.e., for longer-term exemption authority)

The exemption authority granted was effective when taken: **January 12, 1999**, through **January 12, 2001**

The frequency allocation was effective when taken: **January 12, 1999**, and will remain in effect, provided that Delta continues to hold the necessary underlying authority to serve the Atlanta-Lima market.

Action taken by: **Paul L. Gretch, Director**
Office of International Aviation

XX **The authority granted is consistent with the aviation agreement between the United States and Peru.**

Except to the extent exempted or waived, this authority is subject to the terms, conditions, and limitations indicated: **XX** **Holder's certificate of public convenience and necessity**
XX **Standard Exemption Conditions (attached)**

Conditions: Consistent with our standard practice, the frequency allocation granted is subject to the condition that it will expire automatically and the frequencies will revert to the Department for reallocation if they are not used for a period of 90 days.

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The route integration authority requested is granted subject to the condition that any service provided under this exemption shall be consistent with all applicable agreements between the United States and the foreign countries involved. Furthermore, (a) nothing in the award of the route integration authority requested should be construed as conferring upon Delta rights (including fifth freedom intermediate and/or beyond rights) to serve markets where U.S. carrier entry is limited unless Delta notifies us of its intent to serve such a market and unless and until the Department has completed any necessary selection procedures to determine which carrier(s) should be authorized to exercise such rights; and (b) should there be a request by any carrier to use the limited-entry route rights that are included in Delta's authority by virtue of the route integration exemption granted here, but that are not then being used by Delta, the holding of such authority by route integration will not be considered as providing any preference for Delta in a competitive carrier selection proceeding to determine which carrier(s) should be entitled to use the authority at issue.

Dismissal: Consistent with our standard practice for this type of application, we granted Delta's exemption for a period of two years, and dismissed its request for longer-term authority.

On the basis of data officially noticeable under Rule 24(n) of the Department's regulations, we found the applicant qualified to provide the services authorized.

Under authority assigned by the Department in its regulations, 14 CFR Part 385, we found that (1) immediate action was required and was consistent with Department policy; (2) grant of the authority was consistent with the public interest; and (3) grant of the authority would not constitute a major regulatory action under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act of 1975. To the extent not granted or dismissed, we denied all requests in the referenced Docket. We may amend, modify, or revoke the authority granted in this Notice at any time without hearing at our discretion.

Persons entitled to petition the Department for review of the action set forth in this Notice under the Department's regulations, 14 CFR §385.30, may file their petitions within ten (10) days after the date of issuance of this Notice. This action was effective when taken, and the filing of a petition for review will not alter such effectiveness.

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