

of Brazil agreed to accelerate the deadline for the filing of new applications under the regime, moving up the deadline for auto assemblers by eighteen months and for parts manufacturers by one year. It also agreed to make adjustments to certain of the calculations made under the regime.

On the basis of the agreement Brazil has agreed to enter into in order to provide a satisfactory resolution to the matter under investigation, the USTR has decided to terminate this section 302 investigation. Pursuant to section 306 of the Trade Act, the USTR will monitor Brazil's implementation of the agreement concerning trade measures in the automotive sector.

Irving A. Williamson,

Chairman, Section 301 Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Reports, Forms and Recordkeeping Requirements; Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DOT

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on September 30, 1997, (62 FR 51175).

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before April 20, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Judith Street, ABC-100; Federal Aviation Administration; 800 Independence Avenue, SW.; Washington, DC 20591; Telephone number (202) 267-9895.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)

Title: Certification and Operations, 14 CFR part 125.

OMB Control Number: 2120-0085.

Type of Request: Extension of currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for profit organizations.

Form(s): N/A.

Abstract: The FAA is authorized to issue Air Carrier Operation Certificates. 14 CFR part 125 prescribes requirements for leased aircraft, Aviation Service Firms and Air Travel Clubs.

Information collected shows compliance and applicant's eligibility.

Annual Estimated Burden Hours: The current burden is estimated at 29,445 hours.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725-17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention FAA Desk Officer.

Comments are Invited on whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

A comment to OMB is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it on or before April 20, 1998.

Issued in Washington, D.C. on March 16, 1998.

Phillip A. Leach,

Clearance Officer, United States Department of Transportation.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Aviation Proceedings, Agreements Filed During the Week Ending March 16, 1998

The following Agreements were filed with the Department of Transportation under the provisions of 49 U.S.C. Sections 412 and 414. Answers may be filed within 21 days of date of filing.

Docket Number: OST-98-3594

Date Filed: March 9, 1998

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association

Subject:

PTC23 Telex Mail Vote 912

Amend fares from Thailand to Middle East

Telexes—Amending Mail Vote/

Declaring Mail Vote Adopted

r1-045m r2-055m r3-065m r4-084k r5-070q

Intended effective date: amended to April 1, 1998.

Docket Number: OST-98-3596

Date Filed: March 10, 1998

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association

Subject: Request of the International Air Transport Association, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. Sections 41308 and 41309, and Parts 303.03, 303.05 and 303.30, on behalf of member airlines of the International Air Transport Association (IATA) that the Department approve and confer antitrust immunity on IATA's revised Articles of Association, as shown in attachment A.

Docket Number: OST-98-3620

Date Filed: March 13, 1998

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association

Subject: PTC12 Telex Mail Vote 916 South Atlantic-Sarajevo Reso 010s Intended effective date: March 29, 1998.

Paulette V. Twine,

Federal Register Liaison.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Notice of Applications for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity and Foreign Air Carrier Permits Filed Under Subpart Q During the Week Ending March 16, 1998

The following Applications for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity and Foreign Air Carrier Permits were filed under Subpart Q of the Department of Transportation's Procedural Regulations (See 14 CFR 302.1701 *et seq.*). The due date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motions to Modify Scope are set forth below for each application. Following the Answer period DOT may process the application by expedited procedures. Such procedures may consist of the adoption of a show-cause order, a tentative order, or in appropriate cases a final order without further proceedings.

Docket Number: OST-98-3601

Date Filed: March 11, 1998

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motions to Modify Scope: April 8, 1998

Description: Application of Transair International Linhas Aereas Ltda., pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 40109 and Subpart Q of the Regulations, requests a foreign air carrier permit authorizing Transair to perform passenger charter service between Brazil and the United States, and Fifth Freedom passenger charters as specifically authorized by

the Department in accordance with its Rules and Regulations.

Paulette V. Twine,

Federal Register Liaison.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Executive Committee of the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee; Meeting

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of location and change in time of meeting.

SUMMARY: The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a change in time for a special meeting of the Executive Committee of the Federal Aviation Administration Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (63 FR 8315, February 19, 1998).

DATES: The meeting to be held on April 9, 1998, will begin at 10 a.m.

ADDRESS: The meeting will be held at the U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Room 3200-3204, Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Miss Jean Casciano, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, telephone (202) 267-9683; fax (202) 267-5075; e-mail Jean.Casciano@faa.dot.gov.

Issued in Washington, DC, on March 14, 1998.

Joseph A. Hawkins,

Executive Director, Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

Voluntary Intermodal Sealift Agreement (VISA) / Joint Planning Advisory Group (JPAG) (63 FR 4687)

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Synopsis of February 10-12, 1998 Meeting with VISA Participants.

On February 10-12, 1998, the Maritime Administration (MARAD) and the United States Transportation Command (USTRANSCOM) co-hosted a meeting of the Voluntary Intermodal Sealift Agreement (VISA) Joint Planning Advisory Group (JPAG) at the MARAD

Emergency Operations Center, U.S. Department of Transportation, Washington, D.C.

Meeting attendance was by invitation only, due to the nature of the information discussed and the need for a government-issued security clearance. Of the 23 U.S.-flag carrier corporate participants enrolled in VISA at the time of the meeting, 18 were represented, as well as representatives from the Department of Defense (DoD) and the Department of Transportation (DOT).

Following opening remarks by Mr. John E. Graykowski, Acting Maritime Administrator, Government representatives provided briefings to VISA participants on military operation plans and VISA activation procedures. VISA carriers then convened in separate work groups with Government analysts to discuss the strategic lift requirements and to review draft VISA concepts of operations (CONOPS) for future refinement and validation. These VISA CONOPS will be used to model intermodal sealift capacity planning for the upcoming TURBO CHALLENGE 98 VISA JPAG exercise scheduled for April 1998.

Only one stated goal of the February 1998 VISA JPAG was not accomplished. This was the development of VISA carrier draft capacity commitment levels for VISA Stages I & II. However, VISA Stage III capacity commitments of 50% of each participant's militarily useful U.S.-flag capacity (100% of capacity for Maritime Security Program [MSP] ships) has been adopted. VISA Stage I & II commitment levels as a percentage of each VISA participant's militarily useful U.S.-flag fleet total capacity will be determined following the successful completion of the VISA Rate Methodology Working Group (RMWG) analysis.

The full text of the VISA program is published in 62 FR 6837-6845, dated February 13, 1997. One of the program requirements is that MARAD periodically publish a list of VISA participants in the **Federal Register**. As of March 10, 1998, the following commercial U.S.-flag vessel operators are enrolled in VISA with MARAD: Alaska Cargo Transport, Inc., American Auto Carriers, Inc., American Automar, Inc., American President Lines, Ltd., American Ship Management, LLC, Central Gulf Lines, Inc., Crowley Maritime Corporation, Falgout Brothers, Inc., Farrell Lines Incorporated, First American Bulk Carrier Corp., Lykes Lines Limited, L.L.C., Maersk Line Limited, Matson Navigation Company, Inc., Moby Marine Corporation, NPR, Inc., OSG Car Carriers, Inc., RR & VO

L.L.C., Sealift, Inc., Sea-Land Service, Inc., Smith Maritime, Totem Ocean Trailer Express, Inc., Trailer Bridge, Inc., Van Ommeren Shipping (USA) LLC, and Waterman Steamship Corporation.

CONTACT PERSON FOR ADDITIONAL

INFORMATION: Raymond R. Barberesi, Director, Office of Sealift Support, (202) 366-2323.

Dated: March 17, 1998.

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

Joel C. Richard,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 33563]

Texas Rock Crusher Railway Company, Acquisition and Operation Exemption, The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company

Texas Rock Crusher Railway Company (TXRC), a noncarrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.31 to acquire from The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company (BNSF) and to operate two disconnected lines of railroad (subject lines).¹ The first of these lines, known as the Camp Bowie Industrial Spur, extends between mainline milepost 349.01, on BNSF's Clovis, NM, to Houston, TX, mainline, and the end of track (no milepost), at the Camp Bowie Industrial Park in Brownwood, TX, a distance of 4.4 miles. The second of these lines, known as the Rock Crusher Spur, extends from mainline milepost 349.3 on BNSF's above-described mainline to end of line (no milepost), in Brownwood, TX, a distance of 1.25 miles. In addition, BNSF will grant TXRC incidental overhead freight trackage rights for ten 99-year terms between milepost 348.6 and milepost 349.4, near Brownwood, TX, including the use of the wye, to allow traffic originating on the Rock Crusher Spur to have access to BNSF's Brownwood Yard for interchange. BNSF will also grant TXRC incidental trackage rights over BNSF's Brownwood Yard trackage between milepost 345.5 and milepost 349.4 for switching and interchange and to allow movement to

¹ The parties state that TNW Corporation (TNW), TXRC's corporate parent, entered into an agreement on February 11, 1998, with BNSF for the purchase of the subject lines. TNW subsequently assigned that agreement to TXRC.