

Representative, 600 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20508.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Marjorie Florestal, Assistant General Counsel at (202) 395-3581 or Teresa Howes, Director for Asian Agricultural Affairs at (202) 395-9559.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 127(b) of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (URAA) (19 U.S.C. 3537(b)(1)), USTR is providing notice that on October 14, 1999, Australia submitted a request for the establishment of a WTO dispute settlement panel to examine the U.S. safeguard measure on imports of lamb meat. The WTO Dispute Settlement Body ("DSB") is expected to establish a panel for this purpose in November, 1999.

Major Issues Raised and Legal Basis of the Complaint

Australia challenges the safeguard measure on imports of lamb meat established in Proclamation 7208 of July 7, 1999 (64 FR 37387) (July 9, 1999), and described in the President's Memorandum of July 7, 1999, entitled "Action Under Section 203 of the Trade Act of 1974 Concerning Lamb Meat" (64 FR 37393) (July 12, 1999). In its request for a panel to examine the measure, Australia alleges that the U.S. safeguard action on lamb meat is inconsistent with Articles 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 11, and 12 of the Agreement on Safeguards, and Articles I, II, and XIX of the GATT 1994.

At Australia's request, on August 26, 1999, the United States and Australia participated in dispute settlement consultations held in Geneva; these consultations did not lead to a satisfactory resolution of the matter.

Public Comment: Requirements for Submissions

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments concerning the issues raised in this dispute. Comments must be in English and provided in fifteen copies to Sandy McKinzy at the address provided above. A person requesting that information contained in a comment submitted by that person be treated as confidential business information must certify that such information is business confidential and would not customarily be released to the public by the submitting person. Confidential business information must be clearly marked "BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL" in a contrasting color ink at the top of each page of each copy.

Information or advice contained in a comment submitted, other than business confidential information, may be

determined by USTR to be confidential in accordance with section 135(g)(2) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2155(g)(2)). If the submitting person believes that information or advice may qualify as such, the submitting person—

(1) Must so designate the information or advice;

(2) Must clearly mark the material as "SUBMITTED IN CONFIDENCE" in a contrasting color ink at the top of each page of each copy; and

(3) Is encouraged to provide a non-confidential summary of the information or advice.

Pursuant to section 127(e) of the URAA (19 U.S.C. 3537(e)), USTR will maintain a file on this dispute settlement proceeding, accessible to the public, in the USTR Reading Room: Room 101, Office of the United States Trade Representative, 600 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20508. The public file will include a listing of any comments received by USTR from the public with respect to the proceeding; the U.S. submissions to the panel in the proceeding, the submissions, or non-confidential summaries of submissions, to the panel received from other parties in the dispute, as well as the report of the dispute settlement panel, and, if applicable, the report of the Appellate Body. An appointment to review the public file (Docket WTO/DS-178, "Lamb Meat—Australia") may be made by calling Brenda Webb, (202) 395-6186. The USTR Reading Room is open to the public from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

A. Jane Bradley,

Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for Monitoring and Enforcement.

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**OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES
TRADE REPRESENTATIVE**

[Docket No. WTO/DS-177]

**WTO Dispute Settlement Proceeding
Regarding United States—Safeguard
Measure on Imports of Fresh, Chilled
or Frozen Lamb Meat From New
Zealand**

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Office of the United States Trade Representative ("USTR") is providing notice of New Zealand's request for the establishment of a dispute settlement panel under the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization ("WTO").

New Zealand challenges the United States' action in imposing temporary quantitative limitations on imports of lamb meat in an effort to prevent serious injury to the domestic industry and to facilitate its adjustment to import competition. In this dispute New Zealand alleges that the United States' safeguard measure is inconsistent with certain obligations under the WTO Agreement on Safeguards, and the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994 ("GATT 1994"). USTR invites written comments from the public concerning the issues raised in this dispute.

DATES: Although USTR will accept any comments received during the course of the dispute settlement proceedings, comments should be submitted by January 10, 1999, to be assured of timely consideration by USTR in preparing its first written submission to the panel.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted to Sandy McKinzy, Litigation Assistant, Office of Monitoring and Enforcement, Room 122, Attn: Lamb Meat, Office of the United States Trade Representative, 600 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20508.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Aviation Proceedings, Agreements Filed During the Week Ending October 22, 1999

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-99-6380.

Date Filed: October 19, 1999.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject:

PTC23 AFR-TC3 0084 dated 8 October 1999
Africa-TC3 Expedited Resolutions r1-r20
Intended effective date: 15 November 1999

Docket Number: OST-99-6381.

Date Filed: October 19, 1999.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject:

PTC23 EUR-SWP 0037 dated 1 October 1999
Europe-South West Pacific Resolutions r1-r22
Minutes—PTC23 EUR-SWP 0038 dated 1 October 1999
Tables—PTC23 EUR-SWP Fares 0016 dated 15 October 1999
Intended effective date: 1 April 2000

Docket Number: OST-99-6387.

Date Filed: October 20, 1999.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject:

PTC2 EUR-AFR 0092 dated 22 October 1999
Mail Vote 039—Resolution 010j TC2 Europe-Africa Special Passenger Amending Resolutions To/From Libya
Intended effective date: 8 November 1999

Docket Number: OST-99-6392.

Date Filed: October 21, 1999.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject:

PTC23 ME-TC3 0079 dated 16 October 1999

Mail Vote 040—TC23 Middle East-South East Asia
Resolution 010k
Special Passenger Amending Resolution from Kuwait
Intended effective date: 15 November 1999

Docket Number: OST-99-6396.

Date Filed: October 22, 1999.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject:

CTC COMP 0221 dated 22 October 1999
Resolution 033f—Local Currency Rate Changes—Hungary
Intended effective date: 1 December 1999

Dorothy W. Walker,

Federal Register Liaison.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Notice of Applications for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity and Foreign Air Carrier Permits Filed Under Subpart Q During the Week Ending October 22, 1999

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-99-6275.

Date Filed: October 14, 1999.

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motions to Modify Scope: November 12, 1999.

Description: Supplement No. 1 to the Application of Delta Air Lines, Inc. "Delta" by adding the following transborder routes to Exhibit A: Atlanta, Georgia—Cozumel, Mexico; Phoenix, Arizona—Mexico City, Mexico.

Docket Number: OST-99-6377.

Date Filed: October 18, 1999.

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motions to Modify Scope: November 15, 1999.

Description: Application of Sky Unlimited Ltd. "Sky Unlimited"