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Technical Review

The Advisory Committee for Studies of Eastern Europe and the Independent States of the Former Soviet Union will evaluate applications on the basis of the following criteria:

(1) Responsiveness to the substantive provisions set forth above in Program Part II, Information (45 points);

(2) The professional qualifications of the applicant's key personnel and selection committees, and their experience conducting national competitive award programs of the type the applicant proposes on the countries of Eastern Europe and the independent states of the former Soviet Union (35 points); and

(3) Budget presentation and cost effectiveness (20 points).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, contact Kenneth E. Roberts, Executive Director, Advisory Committee for Studies of Eastern Europe and the Independent States of the Former Soviet Union, INR/RES, Room 6841, U.S. Department of State, 2201 C Street, NW, Washington, DC 20520-6510. Telephone: (202) 736-4572 or 736-4386, fax: (202) 736-4851 or (202) 736-4807.

Dated: October 19, 1998.

Kenneth E. Roberts,

Executive Director, Advisory Committee for Studies of Eastern Europe and the Independent States of the Former Soviet Union.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Office of the Secretary of State

[Public Notice 2905]

Notice Convening Accountability Review Boards for the Bomb Attacks on the U.S. Embassy in Nairobi, Kenya in Which Eleven U.S. Citizen Employees and one Dependent, 32 Foreign Service National Employees, and Hundreds of People Were Killed, and on the U.S. Embassy in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, in Which Eight Foreign Service National Employees Were Killed and at Least 70 People Injured

Pursuant to section 301 of the Omnibus Diplomatic Security and Antiterrorism Act of 1986 (22 U.S.C. 4831 *et seq.*), I have determined that the August 7, 1998 bomb attacks on the U.S. Embassies in Nairobi, Kenya, and Dar es

Salaam, Tanzania, each involved serious injury, loss of life, or significant destruction of property at or related to a U.S. mission abroad. Therefore, I am convening two Accountability Review Boards, as required by that statute, to examine the facts and circumstances of each attack and report to me such findings and recommendations as they deem appropriate, in keeping with the attached mandates.

I have appointed Admiral William J. Crowe as Chair of both Boards. He will be assisted on the Nairobi Board by former Ambassadors Philip C. Wilcox and Michael H. Armacost, Ms. Janne Nolan, Mr. Arthur W. (Mick) Donahue, and by Executive Secretary Ambassador Richard C. Brown. Admiral Crowe will be assisted on the Dar es Salaam Board by former Ambassador Terence A. Todman, Mr. David Busby, Dr. Lynn Davis, Mr. Montgomery L. Rogers, and by Executive Secretary, Mr. Kenneth R. McKune. All will bring to their deliberations distinguished backgrounds in government service and the private sector.

I have asked the Boards to submit their conclusions and recommendations to me within sixty days of their first meeting, unless the Chair determines a need for additional time. Appropriate action will be taken and reports submitted to Congress on any recommendations made by the Boards.

Anyone with information relevant to the Boards' examination of these incidents should contact the Boards promptly at (202) 647-6252 or fax them at (202) 647-6640.

Dated: October 13, 1998.

Madeleine K. Albright,

Secretary of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Aviation Proceedings, Agreements Filed During the Week Ending October 23, 1998

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

Docket Number: OST-98-4607.

Date Filed: October 20, 1998.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject:

PTC31 Telex Mail Vote 965 (as amended) Niigata, Japan-Hawaii fares (Reso 010v)

Intended effective date: December 19, 1998.

Docket Number: OST-98-4610.

Date Filed: October 20, 1998.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject:

COMP Telex Reso 033f—Hungary

Local Currency Rate Changes

Intended effective date: December 1, 1998.

Docket Number: OST-98-4636.

Date Filed: October 22, 1998.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject:

PTC12 NMS-ME 0062 dated September 28, 1998 r11-10

Mid-Atlantic-MidEast Resos-MV958, as amended in TE400

PTC12 NMS-ME 0063 dated September 28, 1998 r11-12

South Atlantic-MidEast Resos-MV959, as amended in TE401

Intended effective date: April 1, 1999.

Docket Number: OST-98-4637.

Date Filed: October 22, 1998.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject:

PTC23 Telex Mail Vote 966

Africa-Southeast Asia Resos 002uu

Intended effective date: December 1, 1998.

Docket Number: OST-98-4638.

Date Filed: October 22, 1998.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject:

PTC123 0049 dated October 20, 1998

North Atlantic Expedited Resos 002gg (r1) & 067m (r2)

Intended effective date: November 15, 1998.

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 23, 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-98-4600.

Dated Filed: October 19, 1998.

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motions to Modify Scope: November 16, 1998.

Description: Application of Queen Air, Aeronaves Queen, S.A. pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 41302 and Subpart Q, applies for a foreign air carrier permit authorizing it to engage in scheduled foreign air transportation of persons, property and mail between Santo Domingo in the Dominican Republic, on the one hand, and the co-terminal points San Juan, P.R., Miami, FL and New York, NY on the other hand, and non-scheduled foreign air transportation between a point or points in the Dominican Republic and any point or points in the U.S.

Docket Number: OST-98-4605.

Date Filed: October 20, 1998.

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motions to Modify Scope: November 17, 1998.

Description: Application of Cargolux Airlines International S.A. pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 41302 and Subpart Q, applies to amend its foreign air carrier permit last issued by Order 97-3-10 to authorize Cargolux to provide 7th Freedom all-cargo services between the United States and any point or points. Cargolux requests this permit authority to be coextensive with the effectiveness of the U.S.-Luxembourg Air Transport Agreement in accordance with Order 97-3-10.

Docket Number: OST-95-477.

Date Filed: October 21, 1998.

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motions to Modify Scope: November 18, 1998.

Description: Application of L.B. Limited pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 41302 and Subpart Q applies for an amendment and re-issuance of its foreign air carrier permit issued by Order 96-6-45, to engage in scheduled air transportation of person, property and mail on the following Bahamas-U.S. scheduled combination route Freeport on the one hand, and the coterminal points Charlotte, NC and Columbus, OH on the other hand.

Docket Number: OST-98-4635.

Date Filed: October 22, 1998.

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motions to Modify Scope: November 19, 1998.

Description: Application of Evergreen International Airlines, Inc. pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 41120 and Subpart Q, requests issuance of a new certificate of public convenience and necessity, or an

amendment to its existing international certificate, to provide scheduled foreign air transportation of property and mail between any point in the United States, on the one hand, and any point in the countries listed in Appendix A to this application, on the other. Evergreen requests authority to integrate this certificate authority with its other all-cargo certificate and exemption authority and to commingle traffic on services conducted pursuant to such authority, consistent with applicable agreements between the U.S. and foreign countries.

Dorothy W. Walker,

Federal Register Liaison.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement: Amador County, CA

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an environmental impact statement will be prepared for a proposed highway project in Amador County, California.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. John R. Schultz, Chief, Program Delivery Team—North, Federal Highway Administration, California Division, 980 9th Street, Suite 400, Sacramento, California 95814-2724, Telephone: (916) 498-5041.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on a proposal to improve State Route (SR) 49 in Amador County, California. The proposed improvement would involve in the reconstruction of a roadway section of SR 49 between the junction of Route 104 (Ridge Road) to 0.3 kilometers (0.2 miles) south of Ranchia Creek Bridge. The project is approximately 7.9 kilometers (4.9 miles) in length. The improvement would correct deficiencies on the existing facility such as the narrow roadbed, short radius curves, inadequate sight distances, and excessively steep grades.

Alternatives under consideration include (1) taking no action, (2) constructing a limited access highway on new location, and (3) improve the existing route. Incorporated into and studied with the various build

alternatives will be design variations of grade and alignment.

Letters describing the proposal action and soliciting comments will be sent to appropriate Federal, State, and Local agencies, and to private organizations and citizens who have previously expressed or are known to have interest in this proposal. Several public meetings will be held in Amador County between March and July 1999. In addition, a public hearing will be held. Public notice will be given of the time and place of the meetings and hearing. The draft EIS will be available for public and agency review and comment prior to the public hearing. No formal scoping meeting is planned at this time.

To ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed action are addressed and all significant issues identified, comments, and suggestions are involved from all interest parties. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action and the EIS should be directed to the FHWA at the address provided above.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Research Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on federal programs and activities apply to this program)

Issued on: October 22, 1998.

John R. Schultz,

*Chief, Program Delivery Team—North
Sacramento, California.*

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation; Public Meeting

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21), Public Law 105-178, 112 Stat. 107 (1998) established a new Federal credit program for surface transportation projects. The Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA), Title I, Subtitle E, Chapter 1 was established to provide up to \$10.6 billion of Federal assistance in the form of credit (direct loans, loan guarantees, and standby line of credit) to major surface transportation projects of critical national importance, such as intermodal facilities, border crossing infrastructure, trade corridors and other investments