

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of our functions.
- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the burden of the proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of technology.

Abstract of proposed collection: The DS-1950 has been the form used by individuals to apply for certain excepted jobs at the Department of State such as Foreign Service specialist positions. We wish to continue to use this form to clarify interpretation of applicant responses and how applicants become aware of our program opportunities.

Methodology: The form will be used by applicants for excepted service jobs at the Department of State, such as certain Foreign Service jobs. These programs generate approximately 3,000 applications per year. Data, which is extracted from the form, is necessary to determine qualifications, and selections, in accordance with Federal policies.

Dated: November 30, 2010.

Ruben Torres,

Director, HR/EX, Department of State.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement: Request for Comments From the Public

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Request for written submissions from the public.

SUMMARY: The Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR) has concluded negotiations on a proposed agreement to strengthen international cooperation, enforcement practices and legal frameworks for addressing counterfeiting and piracy. USTR is requesting written comments from the public on the final text of the Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement (ACTA) in connection with consideration of U.S. signature of the agreement.

The deadline for submission of written comments is, 5 p.m., Tuesday, February 15, 2011.

ADDRESSES: All written comments should be sent electronically via <http://www.regulations.gov>, docket number USTR-2010-0014. Submissions should contain the term “ACTA Public Comments” in the “Type comment & Upload file” field on <http://www.regulations.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kira M. Alvarez, Chief Negotiator and Deputy Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for Intellectual Property Enforcement, Office of the United States Trade Representative, at (202) 395-4510. Further information about ACTA can be located at http://www.ustr.gov/webfm_send/2379.

1. Supplementary Information

USTR, working with a group of trading partners, has concluded negotiations on a proposed agreement to strengthen international cooperation, enforcement practices and legal frameworks for addressing counterfeiting and piracy. USTR is requesting written comments from the public on the final text of the Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement (ACTA) in connection with consideration of U.S. signature of the agreement.

Participants in the negotiations included: Australia, Canada, the European Union (EU) represented by the European Commission and the EU Presidency (Belgium) and the EU Member States, Japan, Korea, Mexico, Morocco, New Zealand, Singapore, Switzerland and the United States.

Consistent with the Administration’s strategy for intellectual property enforcement, ACTA would be the highest-standard plurilateral agreement yet achieved concerning the enforcement of intellectual property rights, and would establish an international model for effectively combating the global proliferation of commercial-scale counterfeiting and piracy. In addition to requirements concerning legal frameworks for intellectual property enforcement, the proposed agreement also includes innovative provisions to deepen international cooperation and to promote strong enforcement practices. Together these provisions will help to protect American jobs in innovative and creative industries against intellectual property theft.

2. Text and Summary Information

The full, final text of the ACTA, together with summaries and related information, can be found at <http://www.ustr.gov/acta>.

3. Public Comments

a. Written Comments

Written comments must be received by February 15, 2011 at 5 p.m.

b. Requirements for Comments

Comments must be in writing and in English. All comments should be sent electronically via <http://www.regulations.gov>, docket number USTR-2010-0014.

To submit comments to <http://www.regulations.gov>, find the docket by entering the number USTR-2010-0014 in the “Enter Keyword or ID” window at the <http://www.regulations.gov> home page and click “Search.” The site will provide a search-results page listing all documents associated with this docket. Find a reference to this notice by selecting “Notice” under “Document Type” on the left side of the search-results page, and click on the link entitled “Submit a comment.” (For further information on using the <http://www.regulations.gov> Web site, please consult the resources provided on the Web site by clicking on “How to Use This Site” on the left side of the home page.)

The <http://www.regulations.gov> site provides the option of providing comments by filling in a “Type comment & Upload file” field, or by attaching a document. It is USTR’s preference that comments be provided in an attached document. If a document is attached, please type “ACTA Public Comments” in the “Type comment & Upload file” field. USTR prefers submissions in Microsoft Word (.doc) or Adobe Acrobat (.pdf). If the submission is in an application other than those two, please indicate the name of the application in the “Comments” field.

For any comments containing business confidential information, the filer should type “ACTA Comments—Business Confidential” in the “Type Comment & Upload file” field. Any page containing business confidential information must be clearly marked “BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL” on the top of that page. Filers of submissions containing business confidential information must also submit a separate public version of their comments with the business confidential information redacted. The filer should type “ACTA Comments—Public Version” in the “Type Comment & Upload file” field. If it is determined that the comment does not contain business confidential information, the filer will be notified of that determination and allowed to withdraw their comment.

4. Inspection of Comments, Notices, and Hearing Statements

USTR will maintain a docket on the ACTA Public Review that is accessible to the public. The public file will include all comments received which will be placed in the docket and open to public inspection pursuant to 15 CFR 2006.13, except confidential business. Comments may be viewed on the <http://www.regulations.gov> Web site by entering docket number USTR-2010-0014 in the search field on the home page.

Stanford K. McCoy,

Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for Intellectual Property and Innovation.

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Airways consolidation; and transfer of related authorizations is also requested.

Renee V. Wright,

Program Manager, Docket Operations, Federal Register Liaison.

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European Community carriers in the future.

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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 B (Formerly Subpart Q) During the Week Ending November 20, 2010

The following Applications for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity and Foreign Air Carrier Permits were filed under Subpart B (formerly Subpart Q) of the Department of Transportation's Procedural Regulations (*See* 14 CFR 301.201 *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: DOT-OST-2008-0043 and DOT-OST-2010-0283.

Date Filed: November 15, 2010.

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motion To Modify Scope: December 6, 2010.

Description: Joint application of Iberia Líneas Aéreas de España, S.A. ("Iberia") and Iberia's wholly owned subsidiary Iberia Líneas Aéreas de España Sociedad Anónima Operadora ("Iberia Operadora") requesting the transfer of Iberia's foreign air carrier permit to Iberia Operadora effective immediately upon completion of the Iberia-British

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 B (Formerly Subpart Q) During the Week Ending December 4, 2010

The following Applications for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity and Foreign Air Carrier Permits were filed under Subpart B (formerly Subpart Q) of the Department of Transportation's Procedural Regulations (*See* 14 CFR 301.201 *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: DOT-OST-2004-19016.

Date Filed: December 2, 2010.

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motion To Modify Scope: December 23, 2010.

Description: Application of Jetalliance Flugbeirriebs GmbH d/b/a JAF Airservice requesting renewal of its exemption authority and for a foreign air carrier permit to engage in: (i) Foreign charter air transportation of persons, property and mail from any point or points behind any Member State of the European Union via any point or points in any Member State and via intermediate points to any point or points in the United States and beyond; (ii) foreign charter air transportation of persons, property and mail between any point or points in the United States and any point or points in any member of the European Common Aviation Area; (iii) other charter air transportation; and (iv) transportation authorized by any additional route rights made available to

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Docket Number: DOT-OST-2010-0276.

Date Filed: November 5, 2010.

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motion To Modify Scope: November 26, 2010.

Description: Application of Volga-Dnepr Airlines LLC requesting a foreign air carrier permit to engage in charter foreign air transportation of property and mail between any point or points in the Russian Federation and any point or points in the United States and other all cargo charters.

Renee V. Wright,

Program Manager, Docket Operations, Federal Register Liaison.

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