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|  <p>U.S. Department of<br/>       Transportation</p> <p>Office of the Secretary<br/>       of Transportation</p> <p align="center"><b>FOREIGN AIR CARRIER APPLICATION FOR<br/>       STATEMENT OF AUTHORIZATION</b></p> <p align="center">(See Instructions on Reverse Side)</p> <p align="center"><i>2003 - 040</i></p>   | <p align="center"><b>DO NOT WRITE - FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY</b></p> <p>Disposition of Application:</p> <p>Approved.</p> <p>Approved, subject to condition(s) on reverse. ✓</p> <p>Disapproved/Dismissed for reason(s) cited on reverse</p> <p>Under assigned authority <i>January 25, 2003</i></p> <p>Effective from <i>Jan 26</i> to <i>Feb 10, 2003</i></p> <p><i>[Signature]</i><br/>       Director, Office of International Aviation</p> |
| <p>TO:</p> <p>Department of Transportation<br/>       Licensing Division, X-45<br/>       Office of International Aviation<br/>       400 7<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.<br/>       Washington, DC 20590</p>   | <p>Operations under this authorization shall conform to Part 212 of DOT's Regulations, to the terms, conditions and limitations of the applicant's foreign air carrier permit or exemption, and to Part 129 of the Federal Aviation Regulations.</p>  |
| <p>Application is made for authorization to conduct charter flights under provisions of applicant's foreign air carrier permit and 14 CFR 212 or DOT order.</p>   |   |
| <p>1. Name of Applicant: <b>Volga-Dnepr J.S. Cargo Airline ("Volga-Dnepr Airlines")</b></p> <p>Nationality: <b>Russian Federation</b></p>   | <p>3. Name of Charterer: <b>U.S. DOD</b></p>  |
| <p>2. Send Authorization To:</p> <p>a. Name and Address<br/> <b>Glenn P. Wicks</b><br/> <b>General Counsel, North America</b><br/> <b>1101 17<sup>th</sup> Street NW, Suite 604</b><br/> <b>Washington, DC, 20036</b><br/> <b>Telephone (202) 457- 7790</b><br/> <b>Fax (202) 457- 7799</b></p>   | <p>4. Total Charter Price:</p> <p align="center"><b>CONFIDENTIAL</b></p>  |
| <p>5. Dates of Flights Under This Authorization:<br/> <b>January 29 - February 5, 2003 (VDA768/770/772/774/776)</b></p>   |   |
| <p>6. Aircraft Make, Model, and Capacity:</p> <p align="center"><b>AN 124-100/120,000 KGS</b></p>   | <p>7. Country in Which Aircraft is Registered:</p> <p align="center"><b>Russian Federation</b></p>  |
| <p>8. Planned Routing of Flights (Indicate non-traffic stops by asterisks):<br/> <b>Hickham AFB (Honolulu/Hawaii) – Kuwait (Kuwait)</b></p>   |   |
| <p>9. No. of Flights <u>Five One Way</u> (specify whether one-way or round-trip) and type:<br/>       Passenger <input type="checkbox"/> Cargo <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mixed <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>For Passenger flights: available passenger seats _____, number of passengers to be carried _____.</p> <p>If cargo to be carried, weight and description of cargo:<br/> <b>Outsized cargo:</b><br/> <b>Approx. 65,000 kgs each: military vehicles (each 10.08 x 2.87 x 3.98 m x 15,604 kgs) and communications equipment.</b></p> |   |

10. If Application is Being Filed Late, State Reasons for Lateness:

Due to an urgent request by the charterer.

11. Description of Chartering Organization and Purpose of Flights:

Transportation of outsized vehicles and equipment.

12. Does the nation which is the domicile of the applicant grant to United States carriers a privilege similar to that requested herein? YES; If so, has the fact of such reciprocity been established with DOT? YES. If the fact has not been established with DOT, provide documentation to establish such reciprocity.

13. Other information requested by DOT:

#### CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the charter flights for which authority is sought herein conforms to the requirements of DOT's Regulations and applicable orders of DOT governing charters.

Glenn P. Wicks, Counsel for  
Volga-Dnepr Airlines

*Glenn P. Wicks*  
Ekaterina A. Grimes, Consultant for  
Volga-Dnepr Airlines

1/27/03  
(DATE)

(Signature and title of authorized officer)

#### INSTRUCTIONS

1. Prepare an original and two copies of this application according to Section 212.5 of DOT's Regulations, or Orders of DOT requiring use of this form. If extra space is required to complete an item, continue on a separate sheet of paper.

2. Send the application to: Department of Transportation, Licensing Division, P-45, Office of Aviation Operations, 400 7<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20590 (and, if required by regulation or Order, to Director of Flight Operations, Federal Aviation Administration, Washington, D.C. 20591).

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Exercise of the authorization is subject to the following condition(s):  
OR Application is disapproved/dismissed for the following reason(s):

**SUBJECT TO FAA APPROVED ROUTINGS**

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January 27, 2003

Mr. Gordon Bingham  
Ms. Shelita Smith  
Office of International Aviation  
Foreign Carrier Licensing Division  
Department of Transportation  
400 7<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., Room 6412  
Washington, D.C. 20590

**Re: Request of Volga-Dnepr Airlines for Five One-Way Charter Flights Between  
Hickham AFB (Honolulu, Hawaii) and Kuwait (Kuwait)**

Dear Gordon and Shelita:


Volga-Dnepr J.S. Cargo Airline ("Volga-Dnepr Airlines") hereby requests fifth freedom authority to operate five one-way cargo charter flights between Hickham AFB and Kuwait on January 29-February 5, 2003. Volga-Dnepr is planning to operate AN-124-100 aircraft to carry oversized cargo.

We are currently polling U.S. Carriers listed on the attached service list, and will promptly inform you of the results of the poll. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,



Glenn P. Wicks  
Counsel for Volga-Dnepr Airlines



Ekaterina A. Grimes  
Consultant for Volga-Dnepr Airlines

Enclosures