UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Issued by the Department of Transportation on June 15, 1998

NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN -- DOCKET OST 96-1386

This serves as notice to the public of the action described below, taken by the Department official indicated (no additional confirming order will be issued in this matter).

Applicant: Haiti Air Freight International, S.A. Date Filed: May 21, 1998

Relief requested: Exemption from 49 U.S.C. § 41301 to conduct scheduled foreign air transportation of property and mail between the terminal point Port-au-Prince, Haiti, and the coterminous points Miami, Florida; New York, New York; and San Juan, Puerto Rico; and to perform all-cargo charters subject to the Department’s rules. The applicant would conduct these services only by wet leasing aircraft from a duly authorized and properly supervised U.S. or foreign air carrier.

If renewal, date and citation of last action: May 30, 1997, confirmed by Order 97-10-3

Applicant representative: William C. Evans (202) 371-6030

Responsive pleadings: None filed

DISPOSITION

Action: Approved Action date: June 15, 1998

Effective dates of authority granted: June 15, 1998-June 15, 1999

Basis for approval (bilateral agreement/reciprocity): Reciprocity with Haiti

Except to the extent exempted/waived, this authority is subject to the terms, conditions, and limitations indicated:

X Standard exemption conditions (attached) __ Foreign air carrier permit conditions (Order ___)

Special conditions/Partial grant/Denial basis/Remarks: The authority granted above is limited to operations conducted under wet-lease arrangement with a duly authorized and properly supervised U.S. or foreign air carrier. Haiti Air Freight may not conduct U.S. operations with its own aircraft and crews without further order of the Department. 1

Action taken by: Paul L. Gretch, Director Office of International Aviation

1 Haiti is currently a Category 3 country under the FAA’s International Aviation Safety Assessment Program.

We found that the applicant was qualified to perform the proposed operations.

Under authority assigned by the Department in its regulations, 14 CFR Part 385, we found that (1) immediate action was required and was consistent with Department policy; (2) grant of the authority was consistent with the public interest; and (3) grant of the authority would not constitute a major regulatory action under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act of 1975. To the extent not granted/deferred/dismissed, we denied all requests in the referenced Docket. We may amend, modify, or revoke the authority granted in this Notice at any time without hearing at our discretion.

Persons entitled to petition the Department for review of the action set forth in this Notice under the Department’s regulations, 14 CFR § 385.30, may file their petitions within ten (10) days after the date of issuance of this Notice. This action was effective when taken, and the filing of a petition for review will not alter such effectiveness.

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