



U.S. Department of
Transportation
Office of the Secretary
of Transportation

97-810

**FOREIGN AIR CARRIER APPLICATION FOR
STATEMENT OF AUTHORIZATION**

(See Instructions on Reverse Side)

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Disposition of Application:

- Approved.
- Approved; subject to condition(s) on reverse.
- Disapproved/Dismissed for reason(s) cited on reverse.

Under assigned authority 12/24/97
Effective from 12/24/97 to 12/27/97

[Signature]
Director, Office of Aviation Operations

TO:
Department of Transportation
Licensing Division, P-45,
Office of Aviation Operations
400 7th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20680

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.

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.

1. Name of Applicant: ABSA - AEROLINHAS
BRASILEIRAS, S.A. y RUA LAPLACE,
96 7º ANDAR, SAO PAULO, SP-BRAZIL
Nationality: BRAZILIAN CEP 04622-000

3. Name of Charterer:
Address: Various.

2. Send Authorization To:
a. Name and Address
Juan Carlos Mencio, Esq.
Celestino Pena & Associates
1000 Brickell Ave., Suite 480
Miami, FL 33131
b. Telephone (305) 595-3986

4. Total Charter Price:
Confidential

5. Dates of Flights Under This Authorization:
December 24, 1997

6. Aircraft Make, Model, and Capacity:
DC-8

7. Country in Which Aircraft is Registered:
Brazil

8. Planned Routing of Flights (Indicate non-traffic stops by asterisks):
Viracopos, Brazil - San Juan, Puerto Rico* - Miami

* No cargo will be loaded in San Juan.

9. No. of Flights one one-way flight (specify whether one-way or round-trip) and type:
 Passenger Cargo Mixed
For passenger flights: available passenger seats _____, number of passengers to be carried _____
If cargo to be carried, weight and description of cargo:

General cargo, up to aircraft capacity



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

Applicant is requesting authority to conduct the flight in question due to a significant amount of cargo accumulated in Brazil to be exported to the United States. ABSA has the capacity and equipment to provide the necessary additional lift.

11. Description of Chartering Organization and Purpose of Flights:

Various freight forwarders.

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.

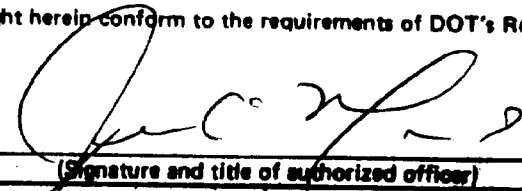
13. Other information requested by DOT:

Reference is made to docket OST 96-1372 which details ABSA's underlying DOT authority.

CERTIFICATION

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

12/22/97
(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 Order 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 7th 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 this authorization is subject to the following condition(s):

Application is disapproved/dismissed for the following reason(s):

Division of this application...
within 10 days...
position for...
effective...
Regulations (14CFR 212.5).