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**Att: Mrs. Sabina Biran
General Manager
TOWER AIR Israel
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Dear Madam,

Object: Tower Air flight Tel-Aviv - Athens.

Following my 20th April letter on the subject and after further consideration of the issue in the light of the implementation of our bilateral agreement with Greece, please be informed of the following:

Your application was filed with us too late to be included in our last negotiations with the Greek aeronautical authorities on the subject of 1997 summer season schedule approval. In view of the significant increase of capacity proposed by Tower, we still cannot comply with your request to initiate service in June.

We are prepared however to grant Tower the authority to operate on the route next season, beginning at the end of October 1997, which will allow us to include the issue in our next negotiations with Greece on the 1997/1998 winter schedule approval.

Sincerely yours,

Messalem Sharon

Director General, CAAI

CC: Embassy of the U.S.A. - Economic section, Tel-Aviv.