



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

NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN

DOCKET OST-95-537

This serves as interim notice to the public of the action described below, taken orally by the Department official indicated; the confirming order or other decision document will be issued as soon as possible.

Applicant: **Air-India Limited**

Date Filed: April 4, 1997

Relief requested: RENEW exemption from 49 U.S.C. 41301 to conduct scheduled foreign air transportation of persons, property and mail between India and Chicago, IL, via the intermediate points Toronto, Canada; London, England; Paris, France; and Frankfurt, Germany; with local Chicago-London, Chicago-Paris, and Chicago-Frankfurt traffic rights.

If renewal, date and citation of last action: June 4, 1996 (confirmed in Order 96-8-46)

Applicant representative: Marshall Sinick 202-626-6651

Responsive pleadings: Northwest Airlines, Inc., filed an answer in opposition, which it subsequently withdrew. The City of Chicago filed an answer in support.

DISPOSITION

Action: **APPROVED IN PART; REMAINDER DISMISSED**

Action date: **JUNE 10, 1997**

Effective dates of authority granted: **JUNE 10, 1997, thru JUNE 10, 1998**

Basis for approval: December 2, 1995, Memorandum of Consultations between the United States and India

Except to the extent exempted/waived, this authority is subject to the terms, conditions, and limitations indicated:
 Foreign air carrier permit conditions (Order 95-4-36)

Special Conditions: Air-India may not carry local Chicago-London traffic on more than three weekly flights.

Partial grant/Remarks: The applicant requested that the authority be effective for a period of two years. We dismissed that portion of the carrier's application to conduct the operations beyond June 10, 1998, without prejudice to refiling at a later date. The duration of this authority is consistent with our usual policy of granting interim exemption authority. (See, for example, Order 92-8-34.)

Action taken by: Paul L. Gretch, Director
Office of International Aviation
under assigned authority (14 CFR 385)

(Petitions for review may be filed from now until 10 days after the service date of the confirming order/letter. Filing of a petition shall not stay the effectiveness of this action.)