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 for a statement of authorization )  
 pursuant to 14 C.F.R. Part 212 )  
 (United States-Czech Republic codesharing) )

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AND RESPONSE OF  
UNITED AIR LINES, INC.**

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United Air Lines, Inc. ("United") hereby moves, pursuant to 14 C.F.R. § 302.6(c), for leave to file the following response to the consolidated reply of Delta Air Lines, Inc. ("Delta") and Czech Airlines ("Czech") dated November 13, 2000.<sup>1</sup> Delta has applied for authority to third-country code share with Czech beyond the Czech Republic to Lyon and Paris, France (in addition to points in other third countries). In order to authorize such service, the Department would have to grant Delta a designation for third-country code-share service under the U.S.-France bilateral agreement.<sup>2</sup> At present, no such

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<sup>1</sup> To the extent the Department may deem it necessary, United requests leave to file this response, which addresses a single issue raised by Delta and Czech in their unauthorized consolidated reply. United submits that no party will be harmed by acceptance of this response, which will provide the Department with a more complete record.

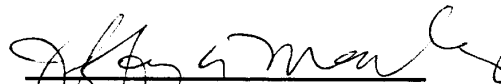
<sup>2</sup> See U.S.-France Air Transport Agreement, Annex V, § 2.A.2(d).

designations are available for allocation; however, one additional designation is due to become available on April 1, 2001.

Continental Airlines filed an answer to Delta/Czech's joint application urging the Department to invite competing applications for the additional U.S.-France third-country code-sharing designation. Answer of Continental Airlines, Inc., November 7, 2000, at 2-3. In response, Delta stated that it "has no objection to Continental's suggestion that the Department may want to invite applications for that codeshare opportunity to ensure prompt utilization of that valuable bilateral opportunity." Consolidated Reply of Delta Air Lines, Inc. and Czech Airlines, November 13, 2000, at 4.

United also is interested in using the additional U.S.-France third-country code-share designation. Therefore, United joins Continental and Delta in urging the Department immediately to initiate a carrier selection proceeding so that the designation may be awarded expeditiously, thereby enabling the designated carrier to commence service promptly on or after April 1, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,



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