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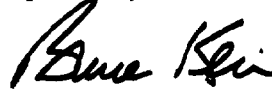
Mr. Paul L. Gretch
Director
Office of International Aviation
Department of Transportation
400 Seventh Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20590

Re: U.S.-Russia Combination Service Frequency Allocation,
Docket OST-96-1672

Dear Mr. Gretch:

Continental Air Lines, Inc. (Continental) does not object to the award of 4.5 Russia frequencies to Delta for code-sharing purposes so long as Continental's request for seven frequencies to operate its own daily Newark-Moscow service is also granted. For the reasons explained in Continental's reply in Docket OST-97-2493 (copy attached), if the Department must choose between Continental's request and Delta's, Continental's request should be granted and Delta's should be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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cc: Docket OST-96-1672
Service List (attached)