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Pursuant to 49 U.S.C. Section 40109, *Servicios Aéreos Profesionales, S.A. (SAPSA)* hereby applies to the Department of Transportation for renewal of its exemption from Section 40109 of the same title, and for a foreign air carrier permit pursuant 49 U.S.C. 41302, enabling it to conduct charter foreign air transportation of persons and property between the Dominican Republic and United States. SAP requests the renewal of the exemption and the permit for a period of not less than two years.

The existing exemption expires on March 5, 2008. SAP relies on 5 U.S.C. 558(c) as implemented in Part 377 of the Department Rules to be able to continue exercising its exemption authority until such time as the Department take final action on the application.

In support of its application, SAP state as follows;

1. SAP is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Dominican Republic. It holds authority from the Dominican Republic Government to operate international charter air transportation and is specifically designated by the Government of the Dominican Republic and United States.
2. On April 3, 1998, the Department authorized SAP to engage in foreign air Transportation of persons and property between the Dominican Republic and United States effective April 3, 1998. This authority was confirmed by order 97-3077.
3. In order 87-3077 the Department explicitly found that; the authority sought by SAP is provided for in the July 22, 1986 bilateral agreement reciprocity between the United States and the Dominican¹ Republic; SAP is properly licensed and designated by the Dominican Republic Government to perform the proposed services: SAP is financially and operationally qualified to perform the services authorized; the carrier is substantially owned and effectively controlled by Dominican Republic Nationals. In Order 97-3077 the Department found that the authority sought by SAP is consistent with the public interest immediate action was required and was consistent with Department policy; grant of the amendment was consistent with the public interest. These findings continue to be valid.

4. Renewal of this exemption authority is warranted by the July 22, 1986 bilateral Agreement reciprocity between the United States and the Dominican Republic.
5. The Dominican Republic was a Category 2 Country under the FAA's International Aviation Safety Assessment Program (IASA), but at this time it has been updated to a Category 1.
6. Servicios Aéreos Profesionales, S.A. may conduct US. Operations with its own aircrafts and crews at this time.

Furthermore, renewal of the exemption will enable SAP to continue to provide service between Dominican Republic and United States and will benefit the traveling public. Renewal of SAP exemption accordingly is in the public interest.

WHEREFORE, Servicios Aéreos Profesionales, S. A. respectfully requests that the Department of Transportation renew, for a period of not less than two year, its exemption and authority to conduct charter foreign air transportation of person and property between Dominican Republic and United States.

Respectfully submitted this January 28, 2008.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing Application for Renewal for Exemption has been mailed by Regular Mail to all persons and entities shown on the attached service list in accordance with the Department procedures regulations.

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