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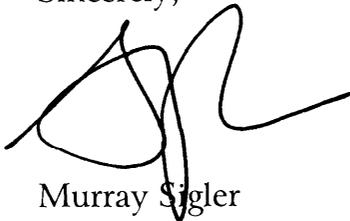
United States Department of Transportation
Docket No. FAA-1998-4758
400 Seventh Street SW
Room Plaza 401
Washington, DC 20590

Re: 14 CRF Part 129
Security Programs of Foreign Air Carriers
Proposed Rule Docket No. FAA-1998-4758 - 47

The Canadian Airports Council (CAC), representing all major transferred airports in Canada, which account for over 90% of air traffic handled at Canadian airports, hereby wishes to express its concern towards the implementation of the proposed rule referred to above. The CAC believes that the proposed rule will reduce or limit capacity at airports, increase costs to passengers and air carriers, could be detrimental to existing levels of security, and will make it more difficult for ICAO to establish international security standards by fragmenting global standards. In that respect, CAC supports the position submitted by ACI, dated February 24, 1999 which proposes to use an equivalent rather than identical standard in approving a foreign air carrier security plan.

Thank you for the opportunity to express our concerns with the current proposed rule.

Sincerely,



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