



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Issued by the Department of Transportation on February 12, 2004

**NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN -- DOCKET OST 1995-774**

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This serves as notice to the public of the action described below, taken by the Department official indicated (no additional confirming order will be issued in this matter).

Applicant: ROYAL TONGAN AIRLINES

Amendment Filed: February 2, 2004

Relief requested: Amend exemption from 49 USC section 41301 to permit the applicant to conduct scheduled, combination services between the terminal point Tongatapu, Tonga, and the two U.S. coterminal points Honolulu and Los Angeles, via any intermediate point or points (through November 21, 2004).

Applicant representative: Charles F. Donley II, 202-626-6840      DOT analyst: Allen F. Brown, 202-366-2405

Responsive pleadings: None.

**DISPOSITION**

Action: Approved.

Action date: February 12, 2004

Effective dates of authority granted: February 12, 2004, through November 21, 2004.

Basis for approval: The Multilateral Agreement on the Liberalization of International Air Transportation to which the United States and Tonga are among the signatories.

Except to the extent exempted/waived, this authority is subject to the terms, conditions, and limitations indicated: Standard exemption conditions.

Special conditions/Remarks:

**Action taken by: Paul L. Gretch, Director  
Office of International Aviation**

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Under authority assigned by the Department in its regulations, 14 CFR Part 385, we found that (1) our action was consistent with Department policy; (2) the applicant was qualified to perform its proposed operations; (3) grant of the authority was consistent with the public interest; and (4) grant of the authority would not constitute a major regulatory action under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act of 1975. To the extent not granted/deferred/dismissed, we denied all requests in the referenced Docket. We may amend, modify, or revoke the authority granted in this Notice at any time without hearing at our discretion.

Persons entitled to petition the Department for review of the action set forth in this Notice under the Department's regulations, 14 CFR §385.30, may file their petitions within seven (7) days after the date of issuance of this Notice. This action was effective when taken, and the filing of a petition for review will not alter such effectiveness.

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