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Pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 40109 and Subpart C of the Department of Transportation’s (“Department”) Rules of Practice (14 C.F.R. Part 302), American Airlines, Inc. (“American Airlines”) applies for renewal of its exemption authority to engage in scheduled foreign air transportation of persons, property, and mail between Los Angeles, California, and Buenos Aires, Argentina. American Airlines requests that the exemption be renewed for a period of at least two years consistent with Department precedent.

In support of this renewal application, American Airlines respectfully states as follows:

1. American Airlines is a Delaware corporation with its principal office at 1 Skyview Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76155.
2. American Airlines is a citizen of the United States within the meaning of 49 U.S.C. § 40102(a)(15)(C) and is fit, willing, and able to provide the services contemplated by this application. American Airlines holds various certificates of public convenience and

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exemption authorities. (*See, e.g.*, DOT Order 2007-4-2, April 3, 2007, Dockets OST-2000-8516 and OST-2005-22228 (Blanket Open-Skies Route Authority); DOT Notice of Action Taken, Docket DOT-OST-2014-0169 (Oct. 7, 2014) (Dallas/Ft. Worth-Beijing).) Pursuant to Rule 24 of the Department's Rules of Practice, American Airlines requests that the Department take official notice of all information previously filed to establish its fitness.

3. On April 11, 2018, the Department granted American Airlines a two-year exemption under 49 U.S.C. § 40109 authority allowing it to engage in scheduled foreign air transportation of persons, property, and mail between Los Angeles, California, and Buenos Aires, Argentina. (Notice of Action Taken, issued on April 11, 2018, in Docket DOT-OST-2018-0051.)¹

4. American Airlines currently provides scheduled air service between Los Angeles, California, and Buenos Aires, Argentina. Renewal of American Airlines' exemption will greatly serve the public interest by enabling American Airlines to offer consumers enhanced U.S.-Argentina services while supporting commerce and providing substantial competition to other carriers serving Argentina from the United States.

5. The exemption authority sought in this renewal application is consistent with the U.S.-Argentina Air Transport Agreement, as amended, between the United States and the Government of the Argentine Republic. (*See* Notice of Action Taken, April 11, 2018, Docket DOT-OST-2018-0051.)

6. Pursuant to 14 C.F.R. § 377.10, American Airlines intends to rely on the Administrative Procedures Act, 5 U.S.C. § 558(c), as implemented by Part 377, to continue in effect its current exemption authority pending a final determination on this renewal application.

¹ At the same time, the Department also allocated seven weekly U.S.-Argentina frequencies to American Airlines, permitting it to provide the service sought under the exemption application.

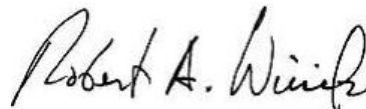
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American Airline's current exemption authority is effective through April 11, 2020.

Accordingly, this renewal application is timely filed under the provisions of Part 377.

WHEREFORE, American Airlines respectfully requests that the Department renew for a two-year period its exemption authority to engage in scheduled foreign air transportation of persons, property, and mail between Los Angeles, California, and Buenos Aires, Argentina, as discussed herein.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Robert A. Wirick". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Robert" and last name "Wirick" clearly legible.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that, on February 7, 2020, I caused to be served a copy of the foregoing Application of American Airlines, Inc. for Renewal of an Exemption Authority, by email upon those addressees listed below:

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