

**BEFORE THE  
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WASHINGTON, D.C.**

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<b>EGYPTAIR</b>	)	
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for an exemption from 49 U.S.C. § 41301 pursuant	)	
to 49 U.S.C. § 40109	)	
(Cairo – Chicago)	)	
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Pursuant to Section 40109 of Title 49 of the United States Code and Section 302 of the Department’s Economic Regulations, EgyptAir hereby applies for exemption authority to enable it to engage in foreign air transportation of persons, property and mail between Cairo, Egypt (CAI) and Chicago, Illinois (ORD).

EgyptAir respectfully requests that the Department grant the requested authority expeditiously to facilitate marketing and advance sales of EgyptAir’s proposed Chicago service. It further requests that the exemption authority to serve Chicago be granted for an initial period of two years, or for such longer period as the Department may determine.

In support of this Application, EgyptAir states as follows:

1.      EgyptAir is the national airline of Egypt. It was founded in 1932 and has operated continuously since that time. EgyptAir currently operates scheduled service within Egypt, and worldwide between Egypt and numerous points in the Middle East, Europe, Asia,

Africa and both North and South America. EgyptAir currently serves New York (JFK) and Newark (EWR) pursuant to its foreign air carrier permit issued by Order 88-8-53 (amending its foreign air carrier permit issued by Order 72-5-86) in Docket 44417, and it has served New York and Newark since 1986 and 2023, respectively. EgyptAir also currently serves Washington, D.C. (IAD) pursuant to the authority granted by the Notice of Action Taken issued by the Department of Transportation on May 8, 2019, Docket DOT-OST-2019, and renewed thereafter. EgyptAir's 39-year history of operating successful service to the U.S. demonstrates that it is fully qualified to operate the Chicago service, for which it now requests authority.

2. Aviation relations between the United States and Egypt are governed by the U.S.-Egypt Air Transport Agreement of May 5, 1964 (the "Agreement"). Pursuant to the Agreement, as amended, an airline or airlines designated by the Arab Republic of Egypt are entitled to operate air services on each of the air routes specified in the Agreement via intermediate points in both directions, and to make scheduled landings in the United States at the points specified in the Agreement, being: Arab Republic of Egypt to New York, Los Angeles, two additional points in the United States, to be selected by diplomatic note, and beyond to Montreal and/or Toronto, via: (a) Greece, Italy, Switzerland, France, and Ireland; and (b) Greece, Italy, Switzerland, Federal Republic of Germany, United Kingdom, and Ireland.

3. EgyptAir plans to begin service to Chicago beginning in June 2026, and it hopes to initiate sales and advertising activities immediately. Accordingly, it respectfully requests that the Department grant the necessary exemption authority as soon as possible.

4. EgyptAir currently operates the only non-stop service between the United States and Egypt. Its proposed Chicago service would expand its existing service to New York, Newark, and Washington, D.C., and would provide significant new transportation options for

passengers and shippers.

ACCORDINGLY, for the reasons discussed above, EgyptAir submits that granting the authority requested here would be consistent with the public interest, and respectfully requests that the Department grant EgyptAir exemption authority to the extent necessary to enable it to engage in scheduled foreign air transportation of persons, property and mail between Cairo, Egypt (CAI) and Chicago, Illinois (ORD) for an initial period of at least two years.

Respectfully submitted,



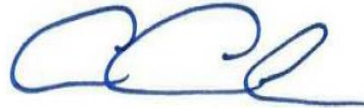
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