

Memorandum of Consultations

Representatives of the Government of the United States of America and representatives of the Government of the Argentine Republic met in Washington, D.C., March 20-22, 2007, to discuss expanding and modernizing their civil aviation relationship. These discussions were held in a warm and cooperative atmosphere. Delegation lists are included at Attachment A.

The delegations reached agreement, *ad referendum*, to amend the 1985 U.S.-Argentina Air Transport Services Agreement, as amended (the "Agreement"). A copy of the draft Protocol of Amendment, initialed by the heads of both delegations, is included at Attachment B. The delegations intend to recommend the draft Protocol to their respective authorities for signature, with the goal of its entry into force in the near future.

The delegations intend that the final sentence of paragraph 4 of the new security article in the draft Protocol of Amendment be translated into Spanish as "Cada Parte considerará con buena disposición toda solicitud de la otra Parte encaminada a que se tomen medidas especiales de seguridad para confrontar alguna amenaza en particular."

The United States delegation reiterated its view that the Government of Argentina is not in compliance with the Agreement by permitting discriminatory user charges at Buenos Aires International Airport (Ezeiza) and requested that the Government of Argentina enforce user fees that do not discriminate between U.S. and Argentine carriers. In this regard, the Argentine delegation stated its view that there is no discriminatory treatment towards U.S. carriers in Argentina because the same fees are set for Argentine and foreign carriers, and that therefore the Government of Argentina is in compliance with the Agreement.

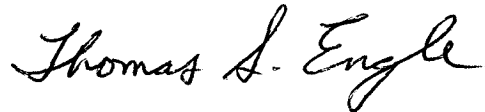
The United States delegation also expressed its concerns regarding high fees, the quality of services, recent radar problems, and monopoly ground handling at Ezeiza. The Argentine delegation took note of the comments of the United States delegation and intends to convey them to the competent Argentine authorities.

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Both delegations intend to revisit the above mentioned pending issues at their next meeting.

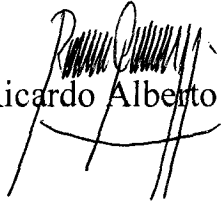
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