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The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Relations of the Republic of Colombia and refers to the Air Transport Agreement between the United States of America and the Republic of Colombia signed at Bogota October 24, 1956 (the 1956 Agreement) and to the understanding and amendments relating to the 1956 Agreement, effected by exchange of notes at Bogota on August 11, October 11, and November 22, 2000, as amended and extended (the 2000 Agreement).

The Embassy, on behalf of the Government of the United States of America, proposes that paragraphs 1 and 3 of the understanding and amendments effected by the 2000 Agreement, currently set to expire on December 31, 2009, continue to apply through December 31, 2010. The Embassy anticipates that the proposed extension will provide the two Governments sufficient time to examine the possibility of further expansion of air services between the United States and Colombia.

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of Colombia, the Embassy further proposes that this note and the affirmative reply note from the Ministry shall constitute an agreement between the United States of America and the Republic of Colombia that shall enter into force on the date of the Ministry’s affirmative note in reply, with effect from December 31, 2009.

The Embassy of the United States of America avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Relations of the Republic of Colombia the assurances of its highest consideration.

Embassy of the United States of America

Bogotá D.C., December 29, 2009

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