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Joint Application of United Air Lines, Inc., British Midland Airways Limited, Austrian Airlines, Österreichische Luftverkehrs AG, Lauda Air Luftfahrt AG, Deutsche Lufthansa, A.G., and Scandinavian Airlines System for Approval of and Antitrust Immunity for an Alliance Agreement under 49 U.S.C. §§ 41308 and 41309
Docket OST-2001-10575 - 2
and
United Air Lines, Inc., British Midland Airways Limited for Statements of Authorization and Related Exemptions
Docket OST-2001-10576 - 2

NOTICE SUSPENDING PROCEDURAL DATES

On September 5, 2001, United Air Lines, Inc. ("United"), British Midland Airways Limited ("BMI"), Austrian Airlines, Österreichische Luftverkehrs AG, Lauda Air Luftfahrt AG, Deutsche Lufthansa, A.G., and Scandinavian Airlines System, and their respective affiliates (collectively, the "Joint Applicants"), filed an application for approval of and antitrust immunity for an Alliance Expansion Agreement between United and BMI, dated September 5, 2001, and a coordination agreement among the Joint Applicants, dated September 5, 2001. Based on our initial review of this application, we have determined that it is not complete.[1]

Also on September 5, 2001, United and BMI filed a joint application for statements of authorization and related exemptions. In the interest of administrative efficiency, we have decided that the procedural schedule for responsive pleadings to both of the captioned applications should be the same. We will announce an appropriate procedural schedule for the processing of these cases at a later date.

We shall serve this notice on all persons on the service list in both dockets.

By:

SUSAN McDERMOTT
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Aviation
and International Affairs

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[1] We note that the applicants acknowledge in their application that additional evidentiary information would be forthcoming. Application at 52.