

p.m. in room 208 Vanderbilt Hall, New York University School of Law, 40 Washington Square South, New York, New York 10012. The meeting is scheduled to follow the Sixth Annual Herbert and Rose L. Rubin Symposium on International Law taking place at the School of Law on Friday, February 25, 2000, presented by the Journal of International Law and Politics: "Celebrating Twenty Years: The Past and Promise of the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction."

The purpose of the Study Group meeting is to assist the State Department develop United States policy in regard to existing and possible future international arrangements governing the protection of children. Discussions will center on the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction; the 1996 Hague Convention on Jurisdiction, Applicable Law, Recognition, Enforcement and Cooperation in Respect of Parental Responsibility and Measures for the Protection of Children; United States bilateral arrangements for the enforcement of family support obligations, state arrangements for the enforcement of family support obligations, the 1956 United Nations Convention on the Recovery of Maintenance Abroad, and the proposed development of a new Hague convention on the enforcement of maintenance obligations.

Presentations by experts, both domestic and foreign, at the New York University symposium on Friday will provide a comprehensive background on the 1980 Abduction and 1996 Protection Conventions. In particular, the Study Group will consider the advisability of seeking signature and ratification of the 1996 Convention. The issues covered by these conventions are also related to the extent and effectiveness of international maintenance enforcement and the feasibility of the United States concluding bilateral arrangements. The experience of the United States at the federal and state level with bilateral arrangements will affect the policy positions to be taken by the United States in its continuing consideration of such arrangements and in participating in the development of a new multilateral maintenance convention by the Hague Conference on Private International Law.

Persons interested in the Study Group or in attending the February 26 meeting in New York may request copies of the conventions to be discussed, the United States legislation authorizing bilateral arrangements and the report of the 1999

Hague Conference meeting on maintenance conventions. These documents may be requested from Ms. Rosie Gonzales by fax at (202) 776-8482, by telephone at (202) 776-8420 (you may leave your request, name, telephone number and mailing address on the answering machine) or by email to [pildb@his.com].

The Study Group meeting is open to the public up to the capacity of the meeting room. Persons who wish to attend the meeting should notify Ms. Gonzales no later than February 23, and also provide their company or organization affiliation, mailing and email addresses and fax and telephone numbers. Any person who is unable to attend, but wishes to have his or her views considered, may send comments to Ms. Gonzales at the above fax number or email address or may address them to the office of the Assistant Legal Adviser for Private International Law (L/PIL), Suite 203, South Building, 2430 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20037-2856.

Persons who are also interested in and want information about the symposium on Friday, February 25 should contact Ms. Karin Wolfe, Senior Symposium Editor, Journal of International Law and Politics, New York University School of Law, 110 West Third Street, New York, NY 10012-1074; phone: (212) 998-6520, fax: (212) 995-4032.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Noise Exposure Map Notice; Port Columbus International Airport, Columbus, OH

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announces its determination that the noise exposure maps submitted by the Columbus Municipal Airport Authority for Port Columbus International Airport under the provisions of Title I of the Aviation Safety and Noise Abatement Act of 1979 (Public Law 96-193) and 14 CFR Part 150 are in compliance with applicable requirements.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The effective date of the FAA's determination on the noise exposure maps is January 3, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mary Jagiello, Federal Aviation Administration, Great Lakes Region, Detroit Airports District Office, DET ADO-670.1, Willow Run Airport, East, 8820 Beck Road, Belleville, Michigan 48111, (734) 487-7296.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice announces that the FAA finds that the noise exposure maps submitted for the Port Columbus International Airport are in compliance with applicable requirements of Part 150, effective January 3, 2000.

Under Section 103 of the Aviation Safety and Noise Abatement Act of 1979 (hereinafter referred to as the "Act"), an airport operator may submit to the FAA noise exposure maps which meet applicable regulations and which depict non-compatible land uses as of the date of submission of such maps, a description of projected aircraft operations, and the ways in which such operations will affect such maps. The Act requires such maps to be developed in consultation with interested and affected parties in the local community, government agencies, and persons using the airport.

An airport operator who has submitted noise exposure maps that are found by the FAA to be in compliance with the requirements of Federal Aviation Regulations (FAR) Part 150, promulgated pursuant to title I of the Act, may submit a noise compatibility program for FAA approval which sets forth the measures the operator has taken or proposes for the reduction of existing non-compatible uses and for the prevention of the introduction of additional non-compatible uses.

The FAA has completed its review of the noise exposure maps and related description submitted by the Columbus Municipal Airport Authority for Port Columbus International Airport. The specific maps under consideration are the noise exposure maps:

Figure 3.4, "1998 Existing Condition Noise Exposure Map", and Figure 4.4, "2003 Future Condition Noise Exposure Map" of the submission. The FAA has determined that these maps for Port Columbus International Airport are in compliance with applicable requirements. This determination is effective on January 3, 2000. The FAA's determination on an airport operator's noise exposure maps is limited to a finding that the maps were developed in accordance with the procedures contained in Appendix A of FAR Part

150. Such determination does not constitute approval of the applicant's data, information or plans, or a commitment to approve a noise compatibility program or to fund the implementation of that program.

If questions arise concerning the precise relationship of specific properties to noise exposure contours depicted on a noise exposure map submitted under Section 103 of the Act, it should be noted that the FAA is not involved in any way in determining the relative locations of specific properties with regard to the depicted noise contours, or in interpreting the noise exposure maps to resolve questions concerning, for example, which properties should be covered by the provisions of Section 107 of the Act. These functions are inseparable from the ultimate land use control and planning responsibilities of local government. These local responsibilities are not changed in any way under Part 150 or through the FAA's review of noise exposure maps. Therefore, the responsibility for the detailed overlaying of noise exposure contours onto the map depicting properties on the surface rests exclusively with the airport operator which submitted those maps, or with those public agencies and planning agencies with which consultation is required under Section 103 of the Act. The FAA has relied on the certification by the airport operator, under Section 150.21 of FAR Part 150, that the statutorily required consultation has been accomplished.

Copies of the noise exposure maps and of the FAA's evaluation of the maps are available for examination at the following locations:

Federal Aviation Administration, Great Lakes Region, Airports Division Office, 2300 East Devon Avenue, Room 269, Des Plaines, Illinois 60018

Federal Aviation Administration, Detroit Airports District Office, Willow Run airport, East, 8820 Beck Road, Belleville, Michigan 48111

Columbus Municipal Airport Authority, Port Columbus International Airport, 4600 International Gateway, Columbus, Ohio 43219

Questions may be directed to the individual named above under the heading, **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

Issued in Belleville, Michigan, on January 3, 2000.

James M. Opatrny,

Acting Manager, Detroit Airports District Office, Great Lakes Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Intent To Rule on Application To Impose and Use the Revenue From a Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) at McAllen International, McAllen, TX

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent to rule on application.

SUMMARY: The FAA proposes to rule and invites public comment on the application to impose and use the revenue from a PFC at Miller International under the provisions of the Aviation Safety and Capacity Expansion Act of 1990 (Title IX of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990) (Public Law 101-508) and part 158 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Part 158).

DATE: Comments must be received on or before March 6, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments on this application may be mailed or delivered in triplicate copies to the FAA at the following address: Mr. G. Thomas Wade, Federal Aviation Administration, Southwest Region, Airports Division, Planning and Programming Branch, ASW-611, Fort Worth, Texas 76193-0610.

In addition, one copy of any comments submitted to the FAA must be mailed or delivered to Mr. Derald Lary of Miller International at the following address: Mr. Derald Lary, Director of Aviation, Miller International Airport, 2500 S. Bicentennial Blvd., Suite 100, McAllen, TX 78503-3140.

Air carriers and foreign air carriers may submit copies of the written comments previously provided to the Airport under section 158.23 of part 158.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. G. Thomas Wade, Federal Aviation Administration, Southwest Region, Airports Division, Planning and Programming Branch, ASW-611, Fort Worth, Texas 76193-0610, (817) 222-5613.

The application may be reviewed in person at this same location.

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101-508) and Part 158 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Part 158).

On January 13, 2000 the FAA determined that the application to impose and use the revenue from a PFC submitted by the Airport was substantially complete within the requirements of Section 158.25 of Part 158. The FAA will approve or disapprove the application, in whole or in part, no later than April 15, 2000.

The following is a brief overview of the application.

Level of the proposed PFC: \$3.00.

Proposed charge effective date: January 1, 2002.

Proposed charge expiration date: September 1, 2004.

Total estimated PFC revenue: \$2,424,500.

PFC application number: 00-02-C-00-MFE.

Brief description of proposed project(s):

Projects To Impose and Use PFC'S

Improve Runway 31 Safety Area.

Acquire Passenger Lift Device.

Acquire Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Vehicle.

Construct Blast Pads for Runway 13/31.

Conduct Master Plan Update and Terminal Area Study.

Passenger Facility Charge Administrative Fees.

Proposed Class or Classes of Air Carriers To Be Exempted From Collecting PFC's:

None.

Any person may inspect the application in person at the FAA office listed above under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** and at the FAA regional Airports office located at: Federal Aviation Administration, Southwest Region, Airports Division, Planning and Programming Branch, 2601 Meacham Blvd., Fort Worth, Texas 76137-4298.

In addition, any person may, upon request, inspect the application, notice and other documents germane to the application in person at Miller International.

Issued in Fort Worth, Texas on January 13, 2000.

Naomi L. Saunders,

Manager, Airports Division.

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