

## AIR TRANSPORT SERVICES

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### NOTE VERBALE

The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Royal Hellenic Ministry for Foreign Affairs and has the honor to refer to a conversation which took place on December 20, 1945, between His Excellency, the Foreign Minister of Greece and the American Ambassador, during the course of which His Excellency suggested that, pending the conclusion of the bilateral Air Transport Agreement between Greece and the United States, which was the subject of the Royal Ministry's Note Verbale No. 11876 of December 1, 1945, the Greek Government would be disposed to enter into a temporary agreement granting the airlines of the United States temporary operating rights in Greece.

The Embassy welcomes the above-mentioned suggestion of the Foreign Minister, and hopes, in view of the fact that the Transcontinental and Western Air Incorporated, which is in this case the airline designated by the United States Government, will soon be in a position to inaugurate its international service to the Middle East, that the Greek Government may be agreeable to grant to the United States Government temporary operating rights until such time as a permanent agreement may be concluded.

The details of such temporary operations may of course be worked out between the TWA and the appropriate Greek authorities.

The Embassy of the United States of America avails itself of this opportunity of renewing to the Royal Hellenic Ministry of Foreign Affairs the assurances of its highest consideration.

THE ROYAL MINISTRY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS,  
*Athens*

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<sup>1</sup> Date of entry into force, provisionally, of agreement of Mar. 27, 1946 (TIAS 1626, *post*, p. 398).