

AIR TRANSPORT SERVICES

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NOTE VERBALE

The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and has the honor to refer to its Note No. 575 of July 14, 1945 concerning the suggested revision of route definitions set forth in Article I (a) 1. of the Agreement between the United States of America and Spain relating to the Operation of International Air Transport Services.¹

In pursuance of that Note and in view of the desire of Pan American Airways to inaugurate service in the near future over a route from the United States to Lisbon, Barcelona, and Marseilles, the Embassy is desirous of obtaining the early agreement of the Spanish Government to the proposed redefinition of Route 1 to read as follows:

“A route from the United States through Lisbon to Barcelona, proceeding therefrom to Marseilles and possibly points beyond, return being made over the same route.”

At the same time, because of its bearing on the safety of United States commercial airline operations between Portugal and the United Kingdom, the agreement of the Spanish Government is requested to the inclusion of the following paragraph (as proposed also in the Embassy's Note No. 575) as part of Article I (a) 1. and immediately following the revised route descriptions:

“Rights of transit and non-traffic stop are granted United States airlines in the territory of Spain on a route between Portugal and the United Kingdom.”

¹ EAS 432, *ante*, p. 693.