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Statement Concerning the Air Transport Agreement with Côte d'Ivoire.
Signed at Abidjan August 16, 2016.
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Explanation of Agreement:

Under this Agreement, the United States and Côte d'Ivoire grant each other rights for the conduct of international air transportation by their respective airlines. Principal features of the Agreement include: (1) unrestricted capacity and frequency, which removes limitations on the number of weekly round trips airlines are permitted to fly and the number of passengers and volume of cargo they can carry; (2) liberal charter arrangements, which allows carriers to choose either country's charter regulations under which to operate; (3) market-determined pricing; and (4) open code-sharing opportunities. The Agreement also includes seventh freedom rights for cargo carriers, which permits airlines of either party to perform cargo operations between the territory of the other party and a third country via flights that are not linked to the airline's homeland.

Legal Authority:

Article II of the United States Constitution and 49 U.S.C. § 40105(a)-(b).