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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

SUBJECT: ANNOUNCEMENT OF AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION ON FOREIGN AIRPORT PLANNING, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, AND TRADE OPPORTUNITIES

1. **PURPOSE.** This advisory circular provides information on the availability of the U.S. Department of Commerce Foreign Trade Opportunities Program and publications, issued by the Department of Commerce, on foreign airport planning, design, construction, and trade opportunities.
2. **GENERAL.** The U.S. Department of Commerce has several publications and programs designed to assist foreign countries in obtaining the services of U.S. firms involved in consulting, construction, and sale of equipment. The programs and publications provide listings of trade proposals and information on current foreign government and business proposals for products and services, including airport planning and construction, and airport lighting, electronic, and operations equipment. These trade opportunities are based on reports received from the U.S. Foreign Service.
3. **PROGRAMS AND PUBLICATIONS:**
 - a. The Department of Commerce Trade Opportunities Program (TOP) is a computer program designed to automatically provide subscribers with up-to-the-minute leads on requests for information, products, or services that come into any of the more than 200 American Embassies and Consulates overseas. These requests are telexed to the TOP computer in Washington, D.C., which automatically prints out the information requests which are mailed to the subscribers on the listing for that particular category of goods or services.
 - (1) Information on the U.S. Department of Commerce's Trade Opportunity Program may be obtained by writing directly to the U.S. Department of Commerce, Trade Opportunities Program, Room 2321, Washington, D.C. 20230, telephone (202) 377-2091.

b. The Department of Commerce has two publications which provide information on foreign requests for equipment and services related to airports. These are as follows:

- (1) Commerce America - published biweekly by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. This publication provides leads on world business opportunities through international trade specialists in the American Embassies and Consulates around the world. Annual subscription rate is \$29.80 (\$7.45 additional for foreign mailing).
- (2) Commerce Business Daily - published five days a week by the U.S. Department of Commerce. It provides requests for bids, proposals, and inquiries by foreign private firms and government agencies which have expressed an interest in purchasing products, equipment, or services. Annual subscription rate is \$105.00 for first class mailing and \$80.00 for second class.

Subscriptions to the Commerce America and/or the Commerce Business Daily may be made by sending checks or money orders to the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402. Make checks or money orders payable to the Superintendent of Documents.

4. HOW TO OBTAIN THIS PUBLICATION. Additional copies of this advisory circular may be obtained, free of charge, from the Department of Transportation, Publications Section, TAD-443.1, Washington, D.C. 20590.

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