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THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS ANNOUNCES THE INITIALLING IN OTTAWA ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28 OF AN AIR AGREEMENT BETWEEN CANADA AND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY. THE AGREEMENT IS ACCOMPANIED BY AN EXCHANGE OF NOTES OUTLINING THE ROUTE SCHEDULES. THE DISCUSSIONS TOOK PLACE IN AN ATMOSPHERE OF MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING AND COOPERATION.

UNDER THE ARRANGEMENT ARRIVED AT BY THE TWO DELEGATIONS, TCA IS AUTHORIZED TO OPERATE AN AIR SERVICE BETWEEN CANADA AND DUSSELDORF AND THENCE TO VIENNA, AS WELL AS TO A SECOND POINT IN EUROPE TO BE SELECTED AT A LATER DATE. IN TURN LUFTHANSA IS AUTHORIZED TO OPERATE AN AIR SERVICE BETWEEN GERMANY AND MONTREAL, AND THENCE TO CHICAGO, AS WELL AS TO BOSTON OR NEW YORK WHEN TCA SELECTS A SECOND POINT IN EUROPE.

IT WILL BE RECALLED THAT TCA HAS BEEN OPERATING A SERVICE TO DUSSELDORF SINCE 1952 AND LUFTHANSA HAS BEEN FLYING INTO MONTREAL AND ON TO CHICAGO SINCE 1956 UNDER TEMPORARY ARRANGEMENTS.

THE AGREEMENT WAS NEGOTIATED BY THE CANADIAN DELEGATION LED BY MR. A.D. MCLEAN, MEMBER OF THE AIR TRANSPORT BOARD AND THE GERMAN DELEGATION LED BY MR. H. KALLUS, DIRECTOR, AIR DEPARTMENT, FEDERAL TRANSPORT MINISTRY. THE AGREEMENT HAS YET TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS FOR APPROVAL.