

Exchange of Slots

1. Regulation (EC) No. 793/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21st April 2004 amending Council Regulation (EEC) No. 95/93 on common rules on the occasion of slots at Community airports stipulates that

“Air carriers operating or intending to operate at a schedules facilitated or coordinated airport shall submit to the schedules facilitator or coordinator respectively all relevant information requested by them. All relevant information shall be provided in the format and within the time limit specified by the schedules facilitator or coordinator.” (Article 7.1 – Information for schedules facilitator and coordinator of the Regulation)

2. Paragraph 5 – “Exchange of Slots” of the Communication from the Commission to the Council, the European and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions on the application of Regulation (EEC) No. 95/93 mentions that

... “However, the Commission recognizes that exchanges of slots for monetary and other consideration, more commonly referred to a Secondary Trading, are taking place at a number of congested community airports.

... The Commission does not intend to pursue infringement proceedings against member states where such exchanges take place in a transparent manner expecting all the other administrative requirements for the allocation of the slots set out in the applicable legislation”.

In accordance with the German Air Transport Administration all air carriers operating or intending to operate into coordinated or schedule facilitated airports located in the Federal Republic of Germany are herewith requested to inform the German Airport Coordinator of compensations in connection with the exchange of slots.

The Airport Coordinator of the Federal Republic of Germany
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