

TRACTATENBLAD

VAN HET

KONINKRIJK DER NEDERLANDEN

JAARGANG 1978 Nr. 8

A. TITEL

*Briefwisseling tussen de Regering van het Koninkrijk der Nederlanden
en de Regering van de Verenigde Staten van Amerika
houdende een overeenkomst inzake luchtvaarttarieven;
Washington, 31 oktober 1977*

B. TEKST

Nr. I

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Washington, D.C. 20520

October 31, 1977

Excellency:

This letter refers to tariff filings recently made by KLM for new Super-Apex fares between the United States and Europe for the 1977-78 winter traffic season.

The United States is committed to an international aviation policy which features low fare, competitive international air services. At the same time, the United States believes that the new Super-Apex fares must be regarded as experimental in nature because their effect on the competitive structure of North Atlantic passenger rates is as yet unclear. However, the possibility exists that these experimental fares, once introduced, could become permanent even though they might later prove to have a disruptive effect on the market. This is due to the fact that the provisions of Article 11 of the US-Netherlands Air Services Agreement of 1957 do not easily permit the suspension of existing fares.

In view of this possibility, the United States proposes that neither government will, with regard to Super-Apex filings for effectiveness during the 1978 summer traffic season, apply the provisions of the US-Netherlands Air Services Agreement to maintain in existence any new Super-Apex fares which may have been approved for the 1977-78 winter season if the other government has disapproved a

similar summer fare filing. Moreover, during the 1977-78 winter season either government may take action to prevent the continuation of such fares on or before their respective dates of expiration, provided that it notifies the other government six weeks in advance of its intent to take such action and agrees to consult with the other government if consultations are requested.

It is understood that presently existing fares are not affected hereby.

I would appreciate a reply from you confirming that the foregoing is acceptable to your Government.

Sincerely,
(sd.) MICHAEL H. STYLES
Michael H. Styles
Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Transportation,
Telecommunications and
Commercial Affairs

*His Excellency
A. R. Tammenoms Bakker
Ambassador of the Netherlands*

Nr. II

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Washington D.C. 20008.
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October 31, 1977.

Dear Mr. Styles:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated October 31, 1977 concerning the filing by KLM of new Super-Apex fares between the United States and Europe for the 1977-1978 winter traffic season. I have been authorized by my Government to inform you that the proposals outlined in your aforementioned letter are acceptable to the Netherlands Government.

Sincerely yours,
(sd.) A. R. TAMMENOMS BAKKER
A. R. Tammenoms Bakker,
Netherlands Ambassador.

*Mr. Michael H. Styles
Director, Office of Aviation
Department of State
Washington D.C. 20520.*

D. PARLEMENT

De in de brieven vervatte overeenkomst behoefde ingevolge artikel 62, eerste lid, letter c, van de Grondwet niet de goedkeuring der Staten-Generaal alvorens in werking te kunnen treden.

G. INWERKINGTREDING

De in de brieven vervatte overeenkomst is op 31 oktober 1977 in werking getreden.

Wat het Koninkrijk der Nederlanden betreft, geldt de overeenkomst alleen voor Nederland.

J. GEGEVENS

Van de op 3 april 1957 te Washington tot stand gekomen Luchtvaartovereenkomst tussen het Koninkrijk der Nederlanden en de Verenigde Staten van Amerika, naar welke Overeenkomst onder meer in de tweede alinea van brief Nr. I wordt verwezen, zijn de Nederlandse en de Engelse tekst geplaatst in *Trb.* 1957, 53; zie ook, laatstelijk, *Trb.* 1969, 243.

Uitgegeven de tiende januari 1978.

De Minister van Buitenlandse Zaken.

C. A. VAN DER KLAUW.