

The Board's basic objective in administering this program is to insure that agreements, interlocks, and other forms of control involving air carriers are consistent with the public interest and do not involve conflicts of interest which may be detrimental to the development of air transportation.

The activities involved in carrying out this program include:

(1) The review and approval or disapproval of applications requesting Board approval of consolidations, mergers, and of acquisitions of control, applications for approval of route transfers and interlocking directorates, and agreements between air carriers and any other common carrier affecting air transportation;

(2) Review and approval of agreements on rates and fares under which U.S.-flag carriers participate in the International Air Transport Association (IATA).

The estimated and actual program outputs in terms of workload items are:

Workload item	Items completed or processed			
	Actual, 1967	Estimate, 1968	Estimate, 1969	Increase
1. Acquisitions and interlocking directorate matters.....	2,357	2,229	2,231	2
2. Inter-carrier rate agreements (IATA).....	861	1,050	1,300	250

The officials responsible for the operation of this program:

John H. Crooker, Jr., Chairman.

Charles F. Kiefer, Executive Director.

Alphonse M. Andrews, Director, Bureau of Operating Rights.