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Attention aviation, business and labor reporters and editors

Statement by Transport Workers Union of America International President James C. Little

on

Withdrawal of Election Challenge by the Teamsters at American Airlines

We're pleased that the Teamsters realized that this raid of TWU members at American Airlines was both wasteful and divisive.

Now that we do not have the distraction of an unnecessary campaign among already organized workers, we can redouble our efforts on battling the Department of Justice's unjustified legal challenge to the proposed merger of American Airlines and US Airways. The combined airline will protect good-paying U.S. jobs and benefit consumers by creating a real alternative to the Delta/United duopoly. TWU members are focused on working out the best possible terms of employment at the new American Airlines.

When the Teamsters challenged our union it brought TWU members together. Today, we're better prepared to address the concerns of workers at American, who have been through a difficult bankruptcy, and to make sure they have the best possible representation on the job.

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