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Summary Information

Repository:	Walter P. Reuther Library
Creator:	Air Line Pilots Association
Title:	ALPA Miami ALI MEC Records
ID:	LR002509
Date [inclusive]:	1981-1990
Date [bulk]:	1981-1987
Physical Description:	1 Linear Feet (1 SB)
Language of the Material:	Material entirely in English.
Abstract:	<p>The records of the Airlift International (ALI) Master Executive Council (MEC) cover the last decade of ALI's existence. The airline originated as Riddle Airlines and became Airlift in 1965, expanding in 1968 and buying out Slick Airways. The airline went into Chapter 11 in 1981 and reorganized but was plagued by problems for the rest of the decade. The pilots and management were at odds over collective bargaining and working agreements and the MEC spent much time negotiating contracts and attempting to enforce work rules. In 1986, the Airlift fleet was grounded by the FAA for noncompliance with noise regulations. All ALI pilots were furloughed, causing ALPA to take custodial leadership over the ALI MEC; the airline ceased domestic flights and only operated a short stint of flights in Asia in 1987. Airlift ceased operations completely in 1991. The ALPA Miami ALI MEC Records are made up of correspondence, Chapter 11 documents and litigation, negotiation documents and notes, letters of agreement, and agreements.</p>

Citation Style

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History

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Scope and Content

The records of the Airlift International (ALI) Master Executive Council (MEC) cover the last decade of ALI's existence. They include correspondence, Chapter 11 documents and litigation, negotiation documents and notes, letters of agreement, and agreements.

Important Subjects: Airline pilots; Airlines Collective bargaining; Airlines—Employees—Labor unions; Airlines—United States—Management; Pilots

Important Names: Jacobs, Tom; Koraly, George; Oliver, Al

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Arrangement

Folders are listed in original order.

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Acquisition

The records are from a shipment from the ALPA Miami Field Office on February 26, 1991.

Processing History

Processed and finding aid written by Kathy Makas on April 17, 2014.

Access

Collection is open for research.

Use

Refer to the Walter P. Reuther Library "Rules for Use of Archival Materials." Restrictions: Researchers may encounter records of a sensitive nature – personnel files, case records and those involving investigations, legal and other private matters. Privacy laws and restrictions imposed by the Library prohibit the use of names and other personal information which might identify an individual, except with written permission from the Director and/or the donor.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Air pilots
- Airlines -- Collective bargaining
- Airlines -- Employees
- Airlines -- Management
- Labor unions

- Pilots and pilotage

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Instances	
Correspondence, 1981	Box 1	Folder 1
Correspondence, 1982	Box 1	Folder 2
Correspondence, 1984	Box 1	Folder 3
Correspondence, 1985	Box 1	Folder 4
Correspondence, 1986	Box 1	Folder 5
Correspondence, 1987	Box 1	Folder 6
Chapter 11, 1981	Box 1	Folder 7
Chapter 11, 1986	Box 1	Folder 8
Chapter 11, 1987	Box 1	Folder 9
Chapter 11, 1988	Box 1	Folder 10
Chapter 11, 1989	Box 1	Folder 11
Chapter 11, 1990	Box 1	Folder 12
Insurance, 1986-87	Box 1	Folder 13
Agreement, 1980-5-1 - 1981-10-31	Box 1	Folder 14
Agreement; Draft, Rejected by Pilots, 1984	Box 1	Folder 15
Agreement; Draft Proposal, 1985-4-14	Box 1	Folder 16
Letter of Agreement	Box 1	Folder 17
Letter of Agreement; ALPA Proposal, 5/8	Box 1	Folder 18
Letter of Agreement; Pilots Worksheet, April 1983, May 1984	Box 1	Folder 19
Letter of Agreement, January-February 1984	Box 1	Folder 20
Letter of Agreement, 1984-5-8	Box 1	Folder 21
Negotiating Notes, 1983-84	Box 1	Folder 22
Negotiations, 1983-84	Box 1	Folder 23
Negotiations, 1983-84	Box 1	Folder 24