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Dear TAN Activist:

Thank you for taking the time to write the Department of Transportation and others in opposition to more extensive and unfair smoking bans on U.S. airline flights. As you know, the current, temporary ban on smoking on flights of two hours or less is scheduled to end, or sunset, in April 1990.

To date, we've recorded a whopping 28,000+ letters to the DoT, the airlines and members of Congress. Even so, the U.S. House passed a bill last month to make the ban on flights of two hours or less permanent. Your input helped ensure that a total smoking ban was rejected. The U.S. Senate will consider the issue this month, and we are watching for attempts there to ban smoking on all flights.

While an extension of the ban is reasonable -- in order to give members of Congress enough time to review the DoT study expected out in 1990 -- it seems unfair and unreasonable for some in the House and Senate to push for a total airline smoking ban before the study and other important data are even available for review.

As your requested, enclosed is a copy of our airline flight guide which lists most American flights upon which smoking is allowed. I hope it is helpful to you. Please take a moment to read the important airline message inside.

Thanks for your continuing efforts on this and so many other matters of smokers' rights.

Best regards,

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National TAN Director

Enclosure

*Our contacts in the Senate and the house aren't doing too good a job when they pass the smoking bill to be smoking on all planes. Sincerely yours  
*[Signature]**

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