

COSTA RICA

Lineas Aereas Costarricenses (LACSA)  
Avenida la No. 39 E, Box 1531  
San Jose, Costa Rica

Officers:

General Manager:	Robert E. Smith
Vice President:	Fernando Teran
Secretary:	Raul Guardian
Treasurer:	Mario Saborio
Assistant Manager:	Francisco Bonilla
Operations Manager:	Capt. Jorge Paris

Ownership:

Principal stockholders:	Pan American World Airways	40%
	Costa Rican Government	20%
	Sociedad Industrial, Comercial Agricola, a Costa Rican corporation	20%
	TICA, a personal investment company incorporated in Costa Rica by Robert E. Smith and wife	13%

Financial control: no information

Estimate of net worth: \$757,916.26, as of 30 June 1953 (CAB Docket 6141)

Unduplicated route miles: 2,397

Equipment: 4 DC-3s; 4 C-46s

Total company employees: 155

Pilots employed: 36

Carrier is affiliated with Pan American World Airways and serves Miami, Florida; Havana, Cuba; Managua, Nicaragua; Panama City, Panama; Mexico City, Mexico.

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EL SALVADOR

TACA International Airlines, S.A.  
San Salvador, El Salvador

Officers:

President:	Ricardo H. Kriete
Exec Vice President:	George R. Woody (US)
Vice President-Traffic:	J. Dan Brock (US)
Vice President- Operations:	Charles H. Strickland
Treasurer:	William B. Daly
Secretary:	Enrique Canas
Directors:	Ricardo H. Kriete
	Francis H. Inge (US)
	George R. Woody
	Roberto Duenas
	Minor Keilhauer
	Manuel Suarez M.

Ownership:

Principal stockholder: TACA Corporation (owned by Waterman Airlines) 98%

Financial control: TACA Corporation, and ultimately, Waterman Airlines

Estimate of net worth: \$156,177.92, as of 30 September 1953  
(CAB Docket 5476)

Unduplicated route miles: 2,566

Equipment: DC-4s

This also includes TACA de Mexico and TACA Corporation of the Republic of Panama which are not operating companies. TACA has New Orleans and New York offices and is represented in the US by Waterman Steamship Corporation, General Agents.

Besides San Salvador, TACA serves Mexico City, Belize, Guatemala City, Tegucigalpa, Managua, San Jose and Panama City.

GUATEMALA

Empresa Guatemalteca de Aviacion (Aviateca)  
12 Calle Poniente 6  
Guatemala City, Guatemala

Officers:

President:	Capt Ricardo Rodriguez P
Auditor:	Joaquin Cordova
International Operations Manager:	Charles J. Hirst
Local Operations Mgr. :	M. A. Ponciano
Maintenance Superintendent:	Guillermo Luna
Directors:	L. A. Giron
	J. A. Ramirez Retana
	Ricardo Rodriguez P.

Ownership: Guatemalan Government (expropriated 1946)

Financial control: Guatemalan Government

Estimate of net worth: no information

Unduplicated route miles: 3,752

Equipment: 7 C-47s; 1 C-46

Total company employees: 340

Pilots employed: 20

Carrier serves only points within the Republic of Guatemala.

HONDURAS

Servicio Aereo de Honduras, S. A. (SAHSA)  
Avenida Colon y Cuarto Calle  
Tegucigalpa, D. C., Honduras

Officers:

President:	Carlos Izaguirre
Vocal 1o:	Horacio Maya Posas
Vocal 2o:	Robert E. Smith
Vocal 3o:	Edward C. Brice
Treasurer:	Fernando Lardizabal
Secretary:	Hernan Coello
(Above officers are Directors)	
General Manager:	Raul Zelaya R
Operations Manager:	John B. Saidia
Chief Pilot:	Jorge A. Torres
Legal Representative:	Hernan Coello

Ownership:

Principal stockholders:	Pan American World Airways	40%
	Honduran Government	20%
	(remaining 40% of stock held by 71 shareholders)	

Financial control: Pan American World Airways, which holds chattel mortgages on most of SAHSA's equipment.

Estimate of net worth: no information

Unduplicated route miles: 1,266

Equipment: 4 DC-3s

Carrier's services incorporate the routes of TACA de Honduras; it operates exclusively within Honduras.

HONDURAS

Transportes Aereos Nacionales, S A. (TAN)  
Tegucigalpa, D.C.

Officers:

President & Gen. Mgr:	Miguel Brooks
Vice President:	Robert C. Forsblade
Secretary:	Daniel Casco L.
Directors:	Miguel Brooks
	Robert C. Forsblade
	Daniel Casco L.
	Eldrald Connor
	Joaquin Bonilla
	J. Humberto Moradiaga
	C. N. Shelton (US)

Ownership:

Principal stockholders:	Miguel Brooks	92%
	C. N. Shelton	7%

Financial control: Miguel Brooks

Estimate of Net worth: \$134,694.48, as of 30 June 1953 (CAB Docket 6111)

Unduplicated route miles: 1,180

Equipment: 2 C-46s

Carrier serves Miami, Havana, San Salvador, Managua, Guayaquil and Lima on a very infrequent schedule.

NICARAGUA

Lineas Aereas de Nicaragua (La Nica)  
Managua, Nicaragua

Officers:

General Manager: Guillermo Xucla

Ownership:

Principal stockholders:	Gen. Anastasio Somoza, President of Nicaragua	40%
	Nicaraguan Government	20%
	Pan American World Airways	20%

Financial control: Probably exercised by General Somoza, if not by virtue of his stock ownership, then by virtue of his public office.

Estimate of net worth: no information

Unduplicated route miles: 1,184

Equipment: 7 C-47s; 1 Navion

Carrier is the only line serving interior points in Nicaragua and serves the area on a very frequent basis. It also flies once weekly to San Jose, Costa Rica.

PANAMA

Compania Panamena de Aviacion (COPA)  
25 Avenida Peru  
Panama City, R. P.

**Officers:**

President:	Ricardo Arias, Jr.
Vice President:	Carlos Icaza A.
Secretary:	Roberto Huertematte
Treasurer:	Florencio Icaza
General Manager:	Raymond A. Norton
Directors:	Ricardo Arias, Jr. T. Gabriel Duque Roberto Huertematte Florencio Icaza Carlos Icaza

**Ownership:**

Principal stockholders:	Pan American World Airways	33%
	Various Panamanian citizens	67%

**Financial control:** Probably exercised by Pan American World Airways, with which COPA is associated.

**Estimate of net worth:** no information

**Unduplicated route miles:** 542

**This carrier operates to points within the Republic of Panama only.**

COLOMBIA

Aerovias Nacionales de Colombia, S. A. (AVIANCA)  
Parque de Santander  
Bogota, Colombia

Officers:

President:	Gregorio Obregon Pochet
Commercial Vice Pres.:	H. Max Healey
Exec. Vice President:	Jorge Gonzalez P.
Financial Vice Pres.:	Fernando Carrizosa H.
Secretary:	Julio Barriga Alarcon
Directors:	Gregorio Obregon Pochet
	Juan Pablo Ortega
	Juan Uribe Holguin
	Julio Mario Santodomingo
	Alfredo Vasquez Carrizosa
	Jesus Maria Marulanda

Ownership:

Principal stockholders:	Pan American World Airways	40%
	LANSA	9%
	Juan Uricoechea	3%

Financial control: Probably Pan American World Airways

Estimated value of assets: \$20,187,704.40 (1952) / State despatch 1139,  
Bogota, 25 June 1952

Equipment: 8 DC-4s; 17 DC-3s; 2 Lockheed Constellations; 2 PBY-5s;  
2 C-54s; 9 C-47s; 5 C-46s.

Total company employees: 3,700

Pilots employed: 91

Carrier is associated with Pan American World Airways and is the largest airline in Colombia. It serves, in addition to Colombian cities, Miami and New York; Panama City, Panama; Lisbon, Portugal; Paris, France; Rome, Italy; Hamilton, Bermuda; Ponta Delgada, Azores and Cuenca, Guayaquil, Manta, Quito and Tulcan, Ecuador, carrying passengers, cargo and mail.



COLOMBIA

Lineas Aereas Nacionales, S.A. (LANSA)  
Calle 34, No. 45-23  
Barranquilla, Colombia

Officers (1953):

Chairman:	Enrique A. de la Rosa
General Manager:	Sales Pretelt
Commercial Manager:	Alcides de la Espriella
Technical Director:	Jorge Correa S.
Directors:	Gregorio Obregon P. (President, AVIANCA)
	Jorge Gonzalez Fiedralita
	Octavio Hernandez
	Pedro M. Obregon
	Fulgencio Fernandez J.

Ownership: AVIANCA owns 99.9982% of the stock

Financial control: AVIANCA

Estimated value of assets: \$1,689,619.50 (1951) [State despatch 1128,  
Bogota, 27 March 1951]

Unduplicated route miles: 5,081

Equipment: 12 DC-3s; 4 C-47s

Total company employees: 592

Pilots employed: 68

Carrier serves Colombian cities for passengers, cargo and mail.

COLOMBIA

Sociedad Aeronautica de Tolima, S. A. (SAETA)  
Calle 19, No. 6-39-41  
Bogota, Colombia

Officers:

President:	Jaime Reyes Patria
First Vice President:	Benjamin Trujillo L.
Chief of Operations:	Raul Garavita
Commercial Supt.:	Hernando Hurtado
Maintenance Supt.:	Alfonso Hernandez R.
Traffic Manager:	Alberto Gomez R.
Chief Pilot:	Alfonso Forero R.
Directors:	Guillermo Molano G., Chairman
	Delio Suarez Trujillo
	Manuel Guillermo Torres
	Fernando Carrizosa H.
	Ajustin Aljure
	Guillermo Angelo Ruiz

Ownership: Purchased in 1952 by AVIANCA

Financial control: AVIANCA

Estimated value of assets: \$720,000.00 (before purchase by AVIANCA)  
/State despatch 1128, Bogota, 27 March 1951/

Unduplicated route miles: 85

Equipment: 3 DC-3s; 2 C-47s

Total company employees: 137

Pilots employed: 6

Carrier serves Bogota, Girardot, Ibague and Medellin (Colombia) for passengers and cargo.

COLOMBIA

Aerotaxi de Colombia, Ltda. (AEROTAXI)  
Calle 13, No. 13-60, Room 212  
Bogota, Colombia

Officers:

Secretary General:	Antonio Munoz T.
Manager:	Herbert Wild
Directors:	Herbert Wild, Chairman
	Jorge Restrepo Hoyos
	Alejandro Angel
	Rodrigo Mendez
	Fernando Carrizosa
	Gabriel Calle

Ownership: All AEROTAXI stock is owned by AVIANCA or officials of AVIANCA.

Financial control: AVIANCA

Estimated value of assets: \$160,000.00 / State despatch 1128, Bogota,  
27 March 1951/

Equipment: 1 Cessna 170; 7 Cessna 195s; 1 Noorduyn Norseman

Total company employees: 21

Pilots employed: 7

Carrier serves Colombian cities with passengers, cargo and mail.

COLOMBIA

Lineas Interamericanas Aereas, S.A. (LIA)  
Avenida Jimenez, No. 8-60  
Bogota, Colombia

Officers:

President & Gen. Mgr.:	Ernesto Murillo F.
Vice Pres. & Traffic	
Mgr.:	Carlos Rey Romero
Chief of Operations:	Jeronimo Diaz Granados
Maintenance Supt.:	Heliodoro Diaz Garcia
Chief Pilot:	Justino Diaz Garcia
Secretary General:	Emilio Correa
Directors:	Heliodoro Diaz Garcia, Chairman
	Luis C. Medina
	Gomez Zapata

Ownership: Major stockholders are Sres. Ernesto Murillo F., Carlos Rey Romero, Heliodoro Diaz Garcia, and Jeronimo Diaz Granados and their wives. Each family holds 300 shares of stock.

Financial control: Major stockholders, who are also officials of the company

Estimated value of assets: \$345,600.00 (1951) / State despatch 1128, Bogota,  
27 March 1951/

Equipment: 3 C-46s

Total company employees: 106

Pilots employed: 12

Carrier serves Barranquilla, Bogota, and Medellin, carrying cargo and passengers.

COLOMBIA

Asociacion Interamericana de Aviacion, Ltda. (AIDA)  
Calle 12, No. 8-11  
Bogota, Colombia

Officers:

Manager:	Miguel Dumit K.
Submanager:	Hernando Dumit
Chief of Operations:	Pedro Vargas Col.
Chief Pilot:	Capt. Wilhelm W. Lieberman
Directors:	Miguel Dumit K., Chairman
	Honorato Espinosa
	Ramon Gonzalez
	Octavio Gonzales
	Julio Blanco

Ownership:

Principal stockholders: Miguel Dumit K. 76%  
(All stock owned by Colombian nationals)

Financial control: Miguel Dumit K.

Estimate of net worth: no information

Equipment: 2 PBV-5As

Total company employees: 21

Pilots employed: 1

Serves Colombian cities for passengers and cargo.

COLOMBIA

Taxi Aereo Santander (TAXANDER)  
Apartado Postal No. 688  
Bucaramanga, Colombia

Officers:

General Manager:	Gonzalo S. Galvis
Administrator:	L. Alberto Morales
Chief of Operations and Pilot:	Major Alberto Parada C.
Maintenance Supt.:	Rafael Blanco C.
Directors:	Gonzalo S. Galvis, Chairman L. Alberto Morales

Ownership: Gonzalo S. Galvis owns all stock of TAXANDER.

Financial control: Gonzalo S. Galvis

Estimate of net worth: no information

Equipment: 1 Stinson 108-3; 4 deHavilland Beaver DHC-2s

Total company employees: 25

Pilots employed: 4

Carrier serves Bucaramanga, Barrancabermeja, Puerto Wilches, Zapatoca and other cities on a cargo taxis basis.

COLOMBIA

Sociedad Occidental de Transportes Aereos, Ltda. (SOTA)  
Calle 9a, No. 3-85  
Cali, Colombia

Officers:

General Manager:

Luis Carlos Londono I.

Traffic Officer:

Capt. Nelson Amorocho P.

Directors:

Capt. Bernardo Escobedo B., President

Manuel Londono I.

Edgar Caldas P.

Ownership: no information

Financial control: no information

Estimate of net worth: no information

Equipment: 3 UC-64 Norsemen; 1 UC-64 Howard

Carrier operates a "taxi" and cargo service from Cali to Pasto, Popayan, Buenaventura and Tumaco.

COLOMBIA

"Eurrito", S. A.  
Apartado Aereo 905  
Medellin, Colombia

Officers:

President:	Antonio J. Zuluaga G.
Vice President:	Ramon Canizares
Chief of Operations and Chief Pilot:	Henry M. Lewis (US)
Maintenance Supt.:	Alonso C. Goetz (US)
Directors:	Arthur H. Taylor (US), Chairman Guillermo Villa E. Ramon Canizares Henry M. Lewis

Ownership:

Principal stockholders:	Antonio J. Zuluaga G.	42%
	Arthur H. Taylor	20%
	Kathryn S. Taylor	20%
	Henry M. Lewis	8%

Financial control: no information

Estimated value of assets: \$128,000.00 (1951) / State despatch 1128, Bogota  
27 March 1951

Equipment: 1 C-46

Total company employees: 21

Pilots employed: 2

Carrier serves Barranquilla, Bogota, Cartagena, and Medellin for cargo traffic.



COLOMBIA

Sociedad Aeronautica Medellin (SAM)  
Avenida 10 de Mayo 49-100, Apartado Aereo 1085  
Medellin, Colombia

Officers:

General Manager:	Pedro A. Mena V.
Assistant Manager:	Guillermo Rocha
Operations Supts.:	John F. Reilly
	Aurelio Jimenez
Communications Supt.:	Jose I. Sanchez
Maintenance Supts.:	William R. Griebbling (US)
	Pablo Loaiza
Chief Pilot:	Frederic Osborne (US)
Secretary and Traffic Supt:	Constantino Arias A.
Directors:	Dennis C. Powelson, Chairman (US)
	Gabriel Vargara Mendez
	Guillermo Rocha
	Antonio M. Causland
	Jose Bernal Botero

Ownership:

Principal stockholders:	Pedro A. Mena V.	19%
	Jose Bernal Botero	15%
	Gabriel Vargara M.	11%
	Dennis C. Powelson	8%

Financial control: no information

Estimated net value of assets: \$800,000.00 (1952) / State despatch 1139,  
Bogota, 25 June 1952/

Unduplicated route miles: 5,947

Equipment: 3 C-47s; 5 C-46s

Total company employees: 345

Pilots employed: 32

Carrier serves Colombian cities only, with cargo and mail.

COLOMBIA

Taxi Aereo Colombiano, Ltda. (TACO)  
Apartado Aereo 167  
Barranquilla, Colombia

Officers:

Manager: Ricardo Correa  
Chief of Operations: Nicolas Reyes Manota

Ownership: Ricardo Correa and Nicolas Reyes Manota are co-owners.

Financial control: owners

Estimated value of assets: \$48,000.00 (1951) State despatch 1128, Bogota,  
27 March 1951

Equipment: 3 Noorduyn Norsemen

Carrier serves Medellin and Urrao for passengers and cargo.