

Major airline companies in coordination with the National Office of Homeland Security have been notifying funeral homes/establishments that a mandate to become effective August 1, 2009, requires all funeral establishments to be registered as a **“KNOWN SHIPPER”**. This mandate was initiated because of our national security interests following 9-11. This is an important mandate and will be expanded in the year 2010 as well. All funeral directors, embalmers and establishment owners are encouraged to contact the airline companies one uses to ship human remains within the continental United States and international airlines as appropriate. The information and forms to be utilized can be found on the website of each airline listed under the “Cargo” category.