competent medical authority. However, if the disability is a lifelong condition, then a one-time certification statement is required. Certification statements must include at a minimum:

- (A) A written statement by a competent medical authority stating that special accommodation is necessary;
- (B) An approximate duration of the special accommodation; and
- (C) A recommendation as to the suitable class of transportation accommodations based on the disability.
- (ii) A special need must be certified annually in writing according to your agency's procedures. However, if the special need is a lifelong condition, then a one-time certification statement is required;
- (iii) If you are authorized under §301–13.3(a) of this Subchapter to have an attendant accompany you, your agency may also authorize the attendant to use other than coach-class accommodations if you require the attendant's services en route:
- (3) When exceptional security circumstances require other than coachclass airline accommodations. Exceptional security circumstances are determined by your agency and should only be authorized up to the minimum other than coach-class accommodation necessary. These circumstances include, but are not limited to:
- (i) Use of coach-class accommodations would endanger your life or Government property;
- (ii) You are an agent on protective detail and you are accompanying an individual authorized to use other than coach-class accommodations; or
- (iii) You are a courier or control officer accompanying controlled pouches or packages;
- (4) When required because of agency mission, consistent with your agency's internal procedures pursuant to §301–70.102(i).
- (b) Your agency may authorize/approve business-class accommodations if any of the following apply:
- (1) When use of other than coachclass is necessary to accommodate a medical disability or other special need.
- (i) A disability must be certified annually in a written statement by a

- competent medical authority. However, if the disability is a lifelong condition, then a one-time certification statement is required. Certification statements must include at a minimum:
- (A) A written statement by a competent medical authority stating that special accommodation is necessary;
- (B) An approximate duration of the special accommodation; and
- (C) A recommendation as to the suitable class of transportation accommodations based on the disability.
- (ii) A special need must be certified annually in writing according to your agency's procedures. However, if the special need is a lifelong condition, then a one-time certification statement is required:
- (iii) If you are authorized under §301–13.3(a) of this Subchapter to have an attendant accompany you, your agency may also authorize the attendant to use other than coach-class accommodations if you require the attendant's services en route;
- (2) When exceptional security circumstances require other than coachclass airline accommodations. Exceptional security circumstances are determined by your agency and should only be authorized to the minimum other than coach-class accommodation necessary to meet the agency's mission. These circumstances include, but are not limited to:
- (i) Use of coach-class accommodations would endanger your life or Government property;
- (ii) You are an agent on protective detail and you are accompanying an individual authorized to use other than coach-class accommodations; or
- (iii) You are a courier or control officer accompanying controlled pouches or packages;
- (3) Coach-class accommodations on an authorized/approved foreign air carrier do not provide adequate sanitation or health standards;
- (4) Regularly scheduled flights between origin/destination points (including connecting points) provide only other than coach-class accommodations and you certify such on your voucher;
- (5) Your transportation costs are paid in full through agency acceptance of