

**ASSOCIATION OF ASIA PACIFIC AIRLINES  
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**A RESOLUTION FOCUSING ON AVIATION SECURITY**

The AAPA ASSEMBLY OF PRESIDENTS, in its 49<sup>th</sup> meeting duly assembled,

RECOGNISING THAT:

- I. Maintaining the security of every State's aviation transportation system against unlawful interference specifically terrorist attacks is of paramount importance and has assumed greater urgency among States;
- II. Security programmes established by airports and operators serve to define the level of security that is needed and the safeguards that should be in place to meet identified security needs for transportation facilities, workers, and security equipment;

BELIEVING THAT:

- III. Governments have direct responsibility for the protection of their citizens and the funding of requisite security measures;
- IV. Aviation security programmes are one way of identifying security threats in passengers or their luggage, and vulnerabilities in securing the cargo carried aboard commercial passenger and all-cargo aircraft;
- V. Aviation security measures or standards promulgated by such aviation security programmes should be introduced in a harmonised manner among States, be technologically feasible, proven to be cost effective and demonstrated to be reliable;
- VI. Aviation security programmes should also meet the longer-term challenge of implementing security improvements that will not excessively inhibit commerce and travel;

RESOLVES TO CALL ON GOVERNMENTS:

- VII. TO RECOGNISE that the provision and cost of aviation security should be borne by them from general revenues and not from taxes and user charges, and to adopt measures in this regard;
- VIII. TO RECOGNISE the importance of effectively managing the risks posed by security threats and to direct resources to the areas of highest priority, based on threat and risk identification and assessment;
- IX. TO ENSURE that the requirements are clarified and simplified to make the rules more coherent and easier to apply;
- X. TO DEVELOP aviation security programmes based on internationally recognized templates as promulgated by ICAO and IATA;
- XI. TO RECOGNIZE the benefits of using a common language in describing the compliance requirements for such aviation security programmes thereby reducing the burden on airlines to provide multiple translations in different languages to different authorities;
- XII. TO ALLOW for a common response to measures requested by third countries, and the reconciliation of requests by different agencies in the areas of security facilitation and control, such as Immigration and Customs; and
- XIII. TO CONSULT widely and to seek international consensus before the introduction of any requirements for aviation security programmes.

APPROVED this 18<sup>th</sup> day of November 2005.

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