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- \* *Correction to table on page 2. The correct figure for August 2007 FTK is 4,741. Issue 2007: 18, dated 28 September 2007, contained a typographical error, wrongly giving a figure of 4,471.*

### AAPA August 2007 Traffic Results

**Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia** – AAPA international passenger numbers grew by 4.9% year-on-year to 12.9 million in August. International passenger traffic in RPK terms was up 5.1% year-on-year. Capacity grew by 2.7%, resulting in a 1.8 percentage point improvement in the average passenger load factor, to 79.6%.

AAPA international freight traffic, expressed in FTK terms, grew by 5.3% in August. Capacity grew by 5.2%, leaving the freight load factor almost unchanged, at 65.3%.

Commenting on the results, Mr. Andrew Herdman, AAPA's Director General said, "In the first eight months of 2007, AAPA member airlines carried 95.7 million international passengers, 4.6% more than in the same period last year. Coupled with limited growth in capacity, the average passenger load factor reached 77.3%, increasing by almost two percentage points. The growth in international air cargo traffic has been relatively modest, up just 3.1% in FTK terms for the first eight months of 2007, but the pace seems to be picking up in recent months. The general outlook remains reasonably positive, but some concerns remain over persistently high oil prices and other cost pressures."

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## TRAFFIC UPDATE – PRELIMINARY

### International Scheduled Services of AAPA Member Airlines

International	Aug 2007	Aug 2006	% Change	Jan-Aug 2007	Jan-Aug 2006	% Change
Passengers (000)	12,913	12,306	+ 4.9 %	95,673	91,468	+ 4.6 %
RPK (mn.)	53,397	50,789	+ 5.1 %	399,583	382,246	+ 4.5 %
ASK (mn.)	67,118	65,340	+ 2.7 %	516,879	506,826	+ 2.0 %
Passenger Load Factor	79.6%	77.8%	+ 1.8 pp	77.3%	75.4%	+ 1.9 pp
FTK (mn.)	4,741	4,503	+ 5.3 %	36,392	35,286	+ 3.1 %
FATK (mn.)	7,263	6,907	+ 5.2 %	55,520	53,190	+ 4.4 %
Freight Load Factor	65.3%	65.2%	+ 0.1 pp	65.6%	66.3%	- 0.8 pp

- RPK = revenue passenger kilometres
- ASK = available seat kilometres
- FTK = freight tonne kilometres
- FATK = available freight tonne kilometres
- All figures, including estimates for missing data, are provisional

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### Association of Asia Pacific Airlines (AAPA)

The AAPA is the trade association of major scheduled international airlines based in the Asia-Pacific region. The AAPA permanent secretariat is headquartered in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia with international representation in Brussels and Washington, D.C. Collectively, the 17 AAPA member airlines carry 285 million passengers and 10 million tonnes of cargo representing approximately one-fifth of global passenger traffic and one-third of global air cargo traffic respectively, and thus play a critically important role in the ongoing development of global aviation.

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