

# ASSOCIATION OF ASIA PACIFIC AIRLINES RESOLUTION NO. 5 Series of 2019

## A RESOLUTION ON AVIATION AND ENVIRONMENT

The AAPA ASSEMBLY OF PRESIDENTS, in its 63rd meeting duly assembled,

### RECOGNISING THAT:

- I. Aviation provides global connectivity supporting \$2.7 trillion in economic activity and 65 million jobs;
- II. Aviation and the wider travel and tourism sector contribute to sustainable development, helping to improve living standards and alleviate poverty;
- III. The air transport industry is the first industry sector to commit to CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reductions through the use of a global market based measure (MBM);
- IV. The International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) Council has endorsed the Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs) and associated guidance to enable the implementation of the Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSIA) to address future increases in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from international civil aviation;
- V. The 40<sup>th</sup> ICAO Assembly reaffirmed support for CORSIA as the only global market-based measure applying to CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from international aviation so as to avoid a possible patchwork of duplicative State or regional MBMs, thus ensuring that international aviation CO<sub>2</sub> emissions should be accounted for only once;
- VI. ICAO, with the support of industry, has provided capacity building and assistance to governments and airlines to ensure the timely implementation of CORSIA;
- VII. From 1 January 2019 onwards, all aircraft operators are required to monitor and report their international aviation CO<sub>2</sub> emissions;





- VIII. ICAO has also agreed to explore the feasibility of a long-term global aspirational goal for international aviation emissions;
- IX. Aviation industry stakeholders, coordinated by the Air Transport Action Group (ATAG), have committed to ambitious environmental goals to be achieved using a combination of technology, sustainable alternative fuels, operations and infrastructure improvements, supplemented by a global MBM, with a long term goal to halve net aviation CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 2050 when compared with 2005 levels;
- X. AAPA has in the past called on governments to support ICAO efforts to develop a global MBM as outlined in Resolution No. 5 Series of 2018, "A RESOLUTION ON AVIATION AND ENVIRONMENT":

#### **NOTING THAT:**

- XI. ICAO SARPs and guidance materials cover the implementation of CORSIA Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) requirements;
- XII. To achieve CORSIA objectives, operators require broad access to recognised carbon markets delivering genuine emissions reductions;
- XIII. The aviation industry remains committed to further advances in technology, operations and infrastructure to continue to reduce the sector's carbon emissions;
- XIV. Some Governments are seeking to apply duplicative carbon pricing initiatives or ticket taxes which could undermine the integrity of the CORSIA scheme;

#### **RESOLVES:**

- XV. TO CALL on governments and operators to work together towards the effective implementation of CORSIA in a way that is fair and equitable, avoids competitive market distortion, and recognizes the interests of developed and developing nations;
- XVI. TO CALL on governments to refrain from applying duplicative requirements on international aviation CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.





APPROVED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of November 2019.

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