

**ASSOCIATION OF ASIA PACIFIC AIRLINES  
RESOLUTION NO. 5  
Series of 2012**

**A RESOLUTION ON AVIATION SAFETY**

The AAPA ASSEMBLY OF PRESIDENTS, in its 56<sup>th</sup> meeting duly assembled,

RECOGNISING THAT:

- I. Safety is the aviation industry's first priority;
- II. The industry's high level of safety performance is the result of highly coordinated safety activities that share industry best practices, the exchange of safety data and lessons learned from safety incidents;
- III. ICAO has established Regional Aviation Safety Groups and Safety Teams to address global safety priorities at the regional level;
- IV. Regional safety standards have been enhanced by the Co-operative Development of Operational Safety and Continuing Airworthiness Programme (COSCAP) involving cooperative efforts by regulators and industry safety stakeholders;
- V. AAPA has in the past called for the enhancement of aviation safety as outlined in Resolution No. 6, Series of 2010, "A RESOLUTION ON SAFETY";

BELIEVING THAT:

- VI. Major decisions on new safety measures should be taken only after proper stakeholder consultation and a comprehensive cost-benefit analysis;
- VII. The social and economic benefits resulting from a safe and secure aviation system is sufficient justification for governments to make the required investments to be in full compliance with ICAO safety standards;

- VIII. A number of governments in the Asia Pacific region need to make a greater effort to ensure full compliance with agreed ICAO standards if they are to provide effective regulatory oversight and avoid the risk of sanctions imposed unilaterally by other governments;
- IX. Unilateral sanctions and restrictions imposed by the US and EU to downgrade countries with questionable oversight capabilities nevertheless lack transparency and fairness;

RESOLVES:

- X. TO REITERATE THE CALL on governments in the Asia Pacific region to strengthen regional oversight and ensure full compliance with agreed ICAO standards;
- XI. TO CALL on the US and EU governments to refrain from the unilateral imposition of punitive measures and restrictions on foreign carriers when the real concern is with perceived inadequacies of regulatory oversight by foreign governments.

APPROVED this 9<sup>th</sup> day of November 2012.

Certified correct:



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