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A RESOLUTION ON AVIATION SECURITY

The AAPA ASSEMBLY OF PRESIDENTS, in its 56th meeting duly assembled,

RECOGNISING THAT:

I.   Air travel maintains extremely high levels of safety and security;

II.   ICAO and government security agencies are in agreement on the need for a more proactive risk-based approach to aviation security measures;

III.   ICAO is working together with other stakeholders including World Customs Organization (WCO) and the Universal Postal Union (UPU) using a multi-layered approach that combines advanced electronic information and physical screening of air cargo;

IV.   AAPA has in the past called for the enhancement of aviation security as outlined in Resolution No. 6, Series of 2011, "A RESOLUTION ON AVIATION SECURITY";

NOTING THAT:

V.   Security procedures are cited as the least satisfactory part of the air travel experience;

VI.   Airport security checkpoints today focus on high risk objects and have limited capability to identify high risk travelers;

VII.   Trusted traveler programmes are being developed to streamline security processes and alleviate bottlenecks in the current approach to passenger screening;

BELIEVING THAT:

VIII.   Effective security procedures must properly balance risks against costs and inconvenience to the travelling public;

IX.   Ongoing efforts to streamline the current approach to passenger screening, and various trusted traveller programmes, are steps in the right direction, but do not go far enough;

X.   The robustness of the international air cargo supply chain depends on a web of trusted relationships amongst the many stakeholders involved;

XI   Establishing new individual national requirements supplemented by selective bilateral agreements is unlikely to be an effective strategy towards making the overall global aviation network more secure;

RESOLVES:

XII.   TO REITERATE THE CALL on governments to develop and implement intelligence-led, outcome-based aviation security regimes;

XIII.   TO CALL on governments to support efforts to streamline passenger screening, including the more effective use of advance passenger information;

XIV.   TO CALL on governments to recognise the benefits of adherence to common global standards established by ICAO, and mutual recognition of respective aviation security regimes, thereby responding more effectively to the needs of the passenger and the air cargo supply chain.

APPROVED this 9th day of November 2012.

Certified correct: Attested by:

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