

**ASSOCIATION OF ASIA PACIFIC AIRLINES
RESOLUTION NO. 7
Series of 2012**

A RESOLUTION ON AVIATION AND ENVIRONMENT

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

RECOGNISING THAT:

- I. Air travel demand is forecast to continue growing globally at 5% per annum, with some Asian economies achieving significantly higher compound growth rates;
- II. Aviation takes its environmental responsibilities seriously, and is strongly committed to delivering continuous improvements in fuel efficiency, reducing the impact of its emissions;
- III. The International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) is providing leadership to develop an effective multilateral agreement on a global approach to aviation and the environment;
- IV. AAPA has in the past called on governments to support ICAO in its efforts to develop a global framework and agreed principles to mitigate aviation's environmental footprint, including the development and implementation of market based measures as outlined in Resolution No. 8, Series of 2011, "A RESOLUTION ON AVIATION AND ENVIRONMENT";

NOTING THAT:

- V. ICAO is currently evaluating the potential use of market based measures to mitigate international aviation emissions, with a view to providing recommendations to the next triennial ICAO Assembly in September 2013;
- VI. The continued intransigence of the European Union on the unilateral inclusion of foreign airlines within the EU Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS), without the mutual consent of other governments, has triggered a global political backlash including the threat of diplomatic and trade sanctions;

- VII. Some governments have taken actions prohibiting their international airlines from participating in the EU ETS;
- VIII. Aviation and the wider travel and tourism industry continue to be subjected to a growing patchwork of national or regional measures, including arbitrary and sometimes punitive taxes, that offer no real environmental benefit;

RESOLVES:

- IX. TO RENEW THE CALL ON the EU to postpone the inclusion of international aviation in the EU ETS, pending international agreement;
- X. TO RENEW THE CALL ON governments to work within the auspices of ICAO towards an effective multilateral agreement on a global sectoral framework on aviation and the environment that will accommodate the special circumstances and respective capabilities of States.

APPROVED this 9th day of November 2012.

Certified correct:



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