ASSOCIATION OF ASIA PACIFIC AIRLINES
RESOLUTION NO. 4
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A RESOLUTION ON AVIATION SECURITY

The AAPA ASSEMBLY OF PRESIDENTS, in its 61st meeting duly assembled,

RECOGNISING THAT:

I. Air transport provides safe, secure and convenient services for both passengers and air cargo;

II. The International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) provides the global leadership and framework for formulating policies on aviation security, in particular through the ICAO Standards and Recommended Practices in Annex 9 Facilitation and Annex 17 Security;

III. UN Security Council Resolution 2309(2016) places the collective responsibility on all aviation stakeholders to strengthen global aviation security;

IV. Acts of terrorism are violent actions directed against States;

V. The threats and challenges of aviation security are constantly evolving;

VI. Individual States are responsible for ensuring that adequate and effective security measures are applied by government agencies, airports, and aircraft operators;

VII. Airlines are fully committed to working closely with government security agencies, airports and other stakeholders to ensure that air travel remains safe, secure and convenient;

VIII. AAPA has in the past called for the enhancement of aviation security as outlined in Resolution No. 5, Series of 2016, “A RESOLUTION ON AVIATION SECURITY”;

NOTING THAT:

IX. Good security is all about comprehensive threat assessment and balanced risk management, not the elimination of every conceivable risk;
X. Strengthening aviation security remains a shared global concern and requires close cooperation and coordination between governments and industry stakeholders;

BELIEVING THAT:

XI. Security measures should be risk-based, outcome-focused and proportionate to the probable threat, whilst providing the highest level of protection to passengers;

XII. Unilateral actions taken by individual governments reacting to emerging threats may result in unnecessary disruption or lead to unintended safety consequences;

XIII. The aviation security community should draw lessons from the aviation safety community, including the benefits of collaborative decision making, sharing relevant data and information, and the building of trust amongst involved stakeholders;

RESOLVES:

XIV. TO CALL on governments to commit to raising the aviation security bar through more effective implementation of existing ICAO standards and quality controls;

XV. TO URGE governments to strengthen multilateral cooperation, in conjunction with ICAO, and to work together more closely with industry in further developing aviation security measures.

APPROVED this 25th day of October 2017.

Certified correct: Attested by:

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