ASSOCIATION OF ASIA PACIFIC AIRLINES
RESOLUTION NO. 4
Series of 2018

A RESOLUTION ON AVIATION SAFETY

The AAPA ASSEMBLY OF PRESIDENTS, in its 62nd meeting duly assembled,

RECOGNISING THAT:

I. Governments and the air transport industry working in partnership have made commercial aviation the safest form of travel, and are responsible for maintaining the highest levels of safety and security for the travelling public;

II. ICAO Annex 19 “Safety Management” provides the Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs) to assist States in managing aviation safety risks, safety information, improving safety performance and assuring the safe operation of aircraft;

III. National regulatory agencies are responsible for the effective implementation of ICAO SARPs;

IV. Air carriers are responsible and accountable for the implementation and management of safety requirements under their respective regulatory agencies;

V. AAPA has previously called for the enhancement of regulatory oversight in Resolution No. 4, Series of 2016, “A RESOLUTION ON SAFETY OVERSIGHT”;

BELIEVING THAT:

VI. To improve the aviation industry’s already impressive safety record requires focus, commitment and cooperation;

VII. Sanctions or punitive action against individuals and air carriers should be limited to acts of intentional or reckless behaviour;

VIII. The foundation of an effective national safety management system is reliant on voluntary reporting of safety incidents and events by industry stakeholders;
IX. Aviation safety performance can be further enhanced through the establishment of regional and national aviation safety teams working within a "Just Culture" framework built on mutual trust;

RESOLVES:

X. TO URGE governments and their regulatory agencies to work in partnership with industry to establish regional and national aviation safety teams supported by voluntary reporting systems in accordance with "Just Culture" principles.

APPROVED this 19th day of October 2018.

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