

**ASSOCIATION OF ASIA PACIFIC AIRLINES
RESOLUTION NO. 5
Series of 2020**

A RESOLUTION ON SUSTAINABILITY

The AAPA ASSEMBLY OF PRESIDENTS, in its 64th meeting duly assembled,

RECOGNISING THAT:

- I. The current COVID-19 pandemic has created an unprecedented crisis for the aviation industry, with many airlines facing an existential threat;
- II. Aviation provides global connectivity supporting \$3.5 trillion in economic activity and 88 million jobs;
- III. Aviation and the wider travel and tourism sector contribute to sustainable development, helping to improve living standards and alleviate poverty;
- IV. The aviation industry is firmly committed to pursuing its sustainability goals, notwithstanding the COVID-19 pandemic;
- V. Aviation industry stakeholders, coordinated by the Air Transport Action Group (ATAG), have committed to ambitious environmental goals to be achieved using a combination of technology, sustainable alternative fuels, operations and infrastructure improvements, supplemented by a global MBM, with a long term goal to halve net aviation CO₂ emissions by 2050;
- VI. The Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSA) is endorsed by the International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) as the only global market-based measure to address future increases in CO₂ emissions from international civil aviation, so as to avoid a possible patchwork of duplicative State or regional MBMs, thus ensuring that international aviation CO₂ emissions are accounted for only once;

VII. AAPA has in the past called on governments to support ICAO efforts on sustainability as outlined in Resolution No. 5 Series of 2019, "A RESOLUTION ON AVIATION AND ENVIRONMENT";

NOTING THAT:

VIII. Some Governments are seeking to introduce new environmental taxes or apply variations or additional requirements from those established by the ICAO CORSIA, including duplicative carbon pricing initiatives which could undermine the integrity of the scheme, without achieving any meaningful reduction in carbon emissions;

RESOLVES:

IX. TO RENEW THE CALL TO governments and operators to work together to ensure the effective implementation of CORSIA;

X. TO RENEW THE CALL TO governments to respect the scope and the integrity of ICAO CORSIA and refrain from applying duplicative requirements on international aviation CO₂ emissions;

XI. TO URGE governments to support the use of sustainable aviation fuel, and to accelerate the research and development of other new sustainable sources of energy for aviation, so that the industry can reduce its reliance on fossil fuels.

APPROVED this 13th day of November 2020.

Certified correct:



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