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ASEAN and European Union Air Transport Agreement Generates Optimism and Confidence for the Future

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia – The Association of Asia Pacific Airlines (AAPA) welcomes the conclusion of negotiations on the Comprehensive Air Transport Agreement between the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and the European Union (EU) on 4th June 2021. This important development comes at a critical moment for airlines from both regions, paving the way for increasing air connectivity across nearly 40 countries. AAPA applauds the foresight shown by ASEAN and EU regulators at a crucial time during a global health pandemic, with the far-reaching Agreement creating optimism and confidence for the air transport industry. The Agreement also provides a valuable framework for ASEAN and the EU to collaborate in areas such as aviation safety, air traffic management, consumer protection as well as environmental and social issues.

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The AAPA is the trade association for scheduled international airlines based in the Asia-Pacific region. The AAPA permanent secretariat is headquartered in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia with international representation in Brussels and Washington, D.C. Collectively, the region's airlines carry 1,623 million passengers and 23 million tonnes of cargo, representing over one-third of global passenger and air cargo traffic, and thus play a leading role in the ongoing development of global aviation.

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